DCU’s Institute of Education is looking to host experienced researchers via funding through the Marie Sklodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowships Programme. In order to secure funding, the experienced researcher must develop a proposal with the host institution for the September 14th 2022 deadline.

Organisation Description

The DCU Institute of Education is the newest faculty of Dublin City University and is based in DCU St Patrick’s Campus, Drumcondra. The Institute brings together students of education across all sectors from early childhood, to primary and post-primary, and further and higher education. As well as providing a range of undergraduate programmes in education, the Institute offers a rich menu of taught and research-based postgraduate programmes, at doctoral, masters, diploma and certificate levels. As a centre of expertise and excellence in teacher education and education more generally, the Institute hosts a range of research centres in key areas of priority and has an ambitious and growing programme of research. It further aims to strengthen the participation and voice of stakeholders, and those who have been marginalised, in matters regarding education research. Research within the Institute has a particular focus on engagement in high-quality research that improves pedagogic practices and enhances learners’ experiences in formal, informal and / or non-formal learning contexts, and that informs policy-making and civil society within and beyond Ireland. With internationally-recognised experts in education policy, inclusive and special education, curriculum and pedagogy, assessment, literacy, evaluation, and teacher education, DCU’s Institute of Education provides a dynamic learning and working environment.

Project idea and researcher opportunities

Research Field:

The Institute of Education is keen to host excellent postdoctoral researchers to work with our research teams in the areas of education from early years to further and higher education and / or the foundation disciplines including philosophy, sociology and psychology. We welcome expressions of interest from excellent candidates with international profiles interested in developing persuasive proposals with Institute of Education researchers for an MSCA-Postdoctoral Fellowship.

For further information on researchers at the Institute of Education, and their areas of expertise, please see: https://www.dcu.ie/instituteofeducation/research-interests-andexpertise.
Our research centres can be viewed at: [https://www.dcu.ie/instituteofeducation/researchcentres-and-groups.](https://www.dcu.ie/instituteofeducation/researchcentres-and-groups).

Career Development is an essential part of the fellowship and the Career Development Plan must be shaped by the applicant and the supervisor prior to the start of the fellowship. While developing your scientific skills with hands-on activities Dublin City University offers a variety of transferable skills training through our [Researcher Development Programme.](#)

**Researcher Requirements**

- The researcher must fulfil the MSCA-PF mobility¹ criteria and should not be more than 8 years post PhD at the deadline of the call.
- Applicants should have a PhD in a relevant area of education and demonstrate a promising track record of early research achievements.

**Application procedure**

Please submit the following documents:

1. A short CV
2. A one-page research proposal
3. A short statement with indication of why DCU and the Institute of Education would be the best host institution for your research project

**Contact information**

If you are interested in applying for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship with DCU Institute of Education please email Dr Sumona Mukherjee ([sumona.mukherjee@dcu](mailto:sumona.mukherjee@dcu)) as early as possible.

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¹ *Recruited researchers must comply with the following mobility rule:* they must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of the beneficiary (for European Postdoctoral Fellowships), or the host organisation for the outgoing phase (for Global Postdoctoral Fellowships) for more than 12 months in the 36 months immediately before the call deadline ([https://bit.ly/39Q7UQg](https://bit.ly/39Q7UQg)). Furthermore, regarding Global Fellowships, applicants must be nationals, or long-term residents, of an EU Member State or Associated Country. (Long-term residents definition: a period of at least 5 consecutive years spent in an EU Member State or Associated Country, prior to the 14th September 2022).