

## **INTO – DCU PhD Scholarship at DCU Institute of Education**

### *Terms and Conditions*

In 2018, the Irish National Teachers' Organisation (INTO) celebrates 150 years since its foundation. As part of the commemoration, Dublin City University's (DCU) Institute of Education is offering a scholarship for a primary teacher to undertake a PhD in Education. The three year fully-funded PhD scholarship, offered within DCU's Institute of Education, provides the successful candidate with the opportunity to develop a research project in consultation with two of Ireland's leading education and research organisations, DCU and the INTO. The scholarship aims to provide an excellent professional development opportunity through research as well as meeting the requirements of rigour and originality expected of a doctorate.

The scholarship will commence in September 2018 for a period of three years. The scholarship will cover DCU's PhD fees for three years as well as a stipend of €16,000 per year for three years.

### **Criteria:**

#### **The ideal candidate will have:**

1. a master's degree\*
2. a high standard of critical research and academic writing skills;
3. a strong interest in primary education in Ireland;
4. a high level of competence in written and oral communication;
5. the ability to work independently and collaboratively in meeting demanding research goals.

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- The thesis topic will be of relevance to primary education and/or the teaching profession in Ireland.
- The scholarship is open to all INTO members, both north and south of Ireland.
- Applicants must be registered with The Teaching Council/ General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland.
- INTO union activism desirable.

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\* In exceptional circumstances this may not be necessary depending on other relevant experience/qualifications.

- It is envisaged that the successful candidate will be a full-time student of DCU's Institute of Education for a period of three years\*\*.
- A copy of the completed thesis will be made available to the INTO library and DCU library.
- The research project will be publicised at INTO/DCU events and in INTO/DCU media platforms.
- The name of the successful candidate will be announced during INTO Congress 2018.
- Applicants should request provisional approval for a career break for the 2018/2019 academic year from their BOM.
- The award is contingent on the applicant meeting all the requirements for admission to doctoral studies at DCU (<http://www4.dcu.ie/registry/postgraduate/index.shtml#Entry>) and, following the initial selection process, a detailed research proposal being developed with, and approved by the Dean of Education, DCU.
- Fáilte roimh iarratas a chur isteach trí mheán na Gaeilge.

### **How to Apply**

Please complete the research proposal application form and submit with a CV to:

Education Section  
 INTO  
 Vere Foster House  
 35 Parnell Square  
 Dublin 1

**The closing date for application will be Wednesday 31 January, 2018**

Eligible candidates will be shortlisted by DCU and INTO.

It is envisaged that interviews will be held February 2018.

All applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by end of March.

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\*\* In exceptional circumstances consideration will be given to an alternative arrangement.