

**Dublin City University**  
**Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences**  
**School of Communications**

**Senior Lecturer (5 Year Contract x 2 Posts)**

DCU's School of Communications seeks suitably qualified persons to undertake lecturing, research and leadership roles in the areas of:

- Political communication, including related aspects of communication theory and policy.
- Science, environmental, health and/or risk communication;

We particularly welcome applications from candidates who can combine critical discourse analysis and/or research methods with one of the abovementioned fields.

Appointments to these two posts will be made on the basis of a five-year fixed term contract.

The successful candidates will demonstrate a strong record and established base of expertise, publications and competencies in relevant fields. They will be expected to develop and deliver modules at undergraduate and postgraduate levels in the disciplinary areas indicated and also work as part of the wider academic team in delivering teaching across the school. They will also be expected to play an active role in leading and developing collaborative or international research in those fields.

The successful candidates will also have a doctoral degree, relevant teaching experience and a strong record of post-doctoral engagement in related research activities. Ideally, candidates will also be able to demonstrate:

- well-established links with relevant academic networks
- regular participation in European and/or international professional organisations
- solid publications record related to one or more of the research areas covered by these posts.

Applications are invited from those with a PhD, relevant teaching experience and a strong post-doctoral record of research, and publications in fields related to those two posts. The successful candidates will be expected to undertake the full range of teaching, research and administration roles typical of ambitious third level institutions. They should demonstrate a capacity to play an active role in developing collaborative research projects as well as doctoral student supervision.

**Senior Lecturer – Political Communication;**

The School of Communication seeks applications from qualified persons with expertise in the area of political communication, ideally combined with interests in aspects of communication theory and/or media policy.

The main responsibilities of the Senior Lecturer in Political Communications are:

- Chair of the MA in Political Communication programme
- playing a lead role in the management and further development of the MA in Political Communication
- Teach undergraduate and postgraduate modules related to the political communication area, and preferably also some modules related to communication theory and/or media policy studies.
- ideally, the postholder will also be qualified to contribute teaching related to either: critical discourse analysis; research methods; media policy issues; or, communication theory
- undertake administrative and representative roles for the School, both within the university and beyond
- collaborating in the development of international research activities and networking related to political communication and neighbouring fields of communication research.
- initiate, lead, conduct, and manage international research initiatives and linkages related to the areas of political communication
- undertake administrative and representative roles for the School, within the University and beyond

**Senior Lecturer – Science, Environmental, Health or Risk Communication;**

The School of Communication seeks applications from qualified persons with interests and expertise in the areas of science, environmental, risk or health communication.

The main responsibilities of the Senior Lecturer in Science, Environmental, Health or Risk Communication are:

- Chair of the MSc. in Science Communication (which also embraces environmental and technology issues) programme
- playing a lead role in the management and further development of the School's taught programmes in the areas of science, environmental and health communication [e.g. expanded international reach], especially the MSc in Science Communication
- Teach undergraduate and postgraduate students in modules related to science, environmental, risk or health communication
- ideally, the postholder will also be qualified to contribute to the teaching of core strands of communication theory, or media policy, critical discourse analysis, or research methods
- undertake administrative and representative roles for the School, both within the university and beyond
- collaborating in the development of international research activities and networking related to science, environmental, risk or health communication
- initiate, lead, conduct, and manage international research initiatives and linkages related to the areas of lead, conduct, and manage international research initiatives and linkages related to the areas of science, environmental, risk or health communication

- undertake administrative and representative roles for the School, within the University and beyond.

The DCU **School of Communications** is one of the largest schools of its kind in Europe, with 600 undergraduate students on three undergraduate programmes, 130 students on taught Masters programmes, and 30 postgraduate research students.

The successful applicant will both share in and contribute to the many benefits that DCU School of Communications has to offer both students and staff, including:

- A legacy of over 25 years of graduate education
- The expertise of high-calibre, experienced academics
- Highly relevant programmes that are continuously reviewed in the light of changing social, policy and technological developments.
- An international reputation for several aspects of our teaching and research programmes.

**Salary Scale:** €71,941 - €94,027  
Subject to qualifications and experience

**Closing Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> June 2010

For further details on the DCU School of Communications, visit:  
[www.dcu.ie/communications/](http://www.dcu.ie/communications/)

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