



**Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences
School of Applied language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS)**

Lecturer in Spanish – Hispanic Studies (5 Year contract)

Introduction:

The School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS) is part of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at Dublin City University. It has an international staff and student body, comprising 35 full-time lecturers and over 550 full-time students, as well as part-time staff and students. SALIS is a dynamic School which provides a multilingual and multicultural environment in which to pursue undergraduate and postgraduate study and research. It currently offers the following taught programmes:

- BA in Applied Language and Intercultural Studies
- BA in Languages for International Communication (English Studies)
- BA in International Business and Languages (with the DCU Business School)
- MA in Intercultural Studies
- MA in Translation Studies
- MA in Comparative Literature
- MA in Sexuality Studies
- International Foundation Certificate

Languages currently taught in SALIS are French, German, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, Irish, and English for Speakers of Other Languages.

The School's ethos is interdisciplinary and applied –unlike traditional Irish universities, all seven languages are housed within the one School, encouraging intercultural dialogue between staff and students of different sections, and students are encouraged to engage in comparative studies across language boundaries. Modules in Intercultural Studies and Translation Studies draw on insights across all language/cultures offered in the school, with general theory being taught through English.

Research in SALIS covers a broad range of areas across Language Studies, Comparative Literature, Translation and Textual Studies and Intercultural Studies. The School supports staff to engage in research activities, and interdisciplinary collaborations between colleagues across disciplines and faculties are strongly encouraged.

Spanish – Hispanic Studies at DCU - SALIS

Spanish is taught on all undergraduate programmes in SALIS and is a highly popular language among students. Spanish language is taught on the B.A. in Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (ALIS), the B.A in Contemporary Culture and Society (BACCS), the B.A in Business International (DCUBS), and as an option on a variety of other undergraduate programmes throughout the university.

An integral part of SALIS undergraduate degree programmes is that students spend Year 3 studying abroad to develop their linguistic skills and intercultural competence. The successful candidate will be expected to assist in preparation of students for the Year Abroad experience at Spanish speaking partner institutions (currently Spain and Mexico), thus a background in intercultural studies is relevant. Research expertise and publications in Hispanic Studies and related areas is desirable as the School is expanding its research agenda in this field.

Lectureship:

As an integral part of its development of Spanish - Hispanic Studies, the School of Applied Language and Intercultural Studies (SALIS) seeks to appoint a suitably qualified person to undertake lecturing, research and a significant role in developing Spanish-Hispanic Studies within the School.

The School particularly welcomes applications from candidates who combine expertise in Spanish language teaching with one of the research specialisms in the School – Intercultural Studies, Translation Studies, Language Studies, Comparative Literature Studies - and /or Ethnographic Research Methodology. An interest in developing interdisciplinary research collaborations in the broader area of Hispanic studies is desirable.

Applicants for this post are expected to have a PhD, appropriate teaching experience and an excellent record of post-doctoral activities in related research, publications and international professional organisations. Candidates should have native-speaker proficiency in Spanish and demonstrable experience of both research and teaching of Spanish-Hispanic Studies at university level.

The successful candidate will be expected to make an important contribution to the research and teaching profile of the School, as well as to undertake significant administrative responsibilities. In accordance with the multilingual nature of the School and its interdisciplinary ethos, the successful candidate will also be expected to collaborate with colleagues not only in Spanish, but in other languages and areas on interdisciplinary projects of mutual interest.

Duties include:

- Play a key leadership role in the development of Spanish-Hispanic Studies in SALIS including teaching, research, academic assessment and academic administration
- Develop both undergraduate and postgraduate syllabi in Spanish-Hispanic Studies
- Creatively promote the marketing of SALIS programmes in Spanish-Hispanic Studies

- Adopt a teaching methodology informed by new developments in language teaching, especially the use of new technologies and blended learning approaches.
- Develop national and international research collaboration and exchange links in Spanish-Hispanic studies
- Develop strong links with appropriate professional organisations, within Ireland and Internationally
- Pursue an active research and publication agenda, individually and in collaboration with colleagues
- Explore the potential for interdisciplinary research and projects with colleagues across the university
- Advise and supervise postgraduate students
- Participate actively in all SALIS activities and contribute to the development of the School's profile in teaching and research

Starting date: Autumn 2011

Informal Enquiries to: salisspanish.lecture@dcu.ie

Further information:

More information on the School, including specific areas of research expertise and details of taught programmes, may be found at: www.dcu.ie/salis

Salary Scale: Lecturer below bar: €41,502 - €51,724
 Lecturer above bar: €50,159 - €81,403
 (Subject to qualifications and experience)

These salary scales may be affected by the provisions of the 2011 budget

Closing Date: 12th August 2011

This post is considered essential to the University

Application forms are available from:

<http://www.dcu.ie/vacancies/current.shtml> and from the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 (0)1 700 5149 Fax: +353 (0)1 700 5500 E-mail: hr.applications@dcu.ie

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