



Maynooth University Ollscoil Mhá Nuad Doctoral Scholarship in Education

The Department of Education is pleased to announce a PhD Scholarship for one student. The Department of Education reserves the right to allocate more than one scholarship depending on the calibre of applications and the needs of the department.

Applications will be accepted up to the closing date of **midnight on 2 August 2022**.

Applications are accepted from **full-time** research degree students commencing a programme of study in October 2022 or when otherwise agreed (i.e. new entrants) to PhD or PhD-track programmes and who have a relevant first class or 2.1 honours in their primary degree, or have a relevant Masters degree. Continuing PhD students are also eligible to apply for this scholarship support (funding is proportionate to the year of entry; i.e. a student entering year 3 will receive two years funding). Students who have fees paid from external sources are generally not eligible to apply. The scholarship will be awarded by the Department on the basis of (i) research potential in an area aligned with the Department's research priorities and (ii) potential and aptitude to provide high quality teaching duties.

Value of Scholarship

1. Full annual tuition fees support (approximately €6,500 per annum);
2. A fixed maintenance award of €10k per annum;

Teaching Duties

These activities will be carried out under the direction of the Head of Department, or a member of staff nominated by the Head. Specific details are outlined in Terms and Conditions below.

Duration

The scholarship will be awarded for up to four years of study, subject to satisfactory annual review of progress in research.

Application and Selection Criteria

- First class or 2.1 honours primary degree in the subject area, or a relevant masters accepted by the Department.
- Excellent oral and written communication and language skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills and presentation skills
- Excellent organisational skills
- Time management skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to work under supervision
- Self-motivation
- Ability to accept collegiate responsibilities and act accordingly.

Applicants are required to submit the following to education.department@mu.ie by the closing date of **midnight on 2 August 2022**. **Please use the subject line "Doctoral Scholarship Education"**.

- Personal statement (max 500 words)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Research proposal (max. 4,000 words)
- Relevant academic final transcripts

Applicants may be shortlisted for interview and, if so, will be contacted directly by the Department.

Terms and Conditions



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Terms and Conditions: 2022-23

The Department of Education is offering a PhD Scholarship for one student intending to commence PhD studies in Education. The scholarship may be held by either new-entrant, full-time registered students or by continuing full-time registered PhD students (funding is proportionate to the year of entry; ie. a student entering year 3 will receive two years funding).

Value of the Scholarship

The scholarship will entail:

1. Full annual tuition fees support (approximately €6,500 per annum);
2. A fixed maintenance award of €10k per annum;

Eligibility

Applications are accepted from **full-time** research degree students commencing a programme of study in October 2022 or when otherwise agreed (i.e. new entrants) to PhD or PhD-track programmes and who have a relevant first class or 2.1 honours in their primary degree, or have a relevant Masters degree. Continuing **full-time** PhD students are also eligible to apply for this scholarship support (funding is proportionate to the year of entry; ie. a student entering year 3 will receive two years funding). Students who have fees paid from external sources are generally not eligible to apply.

Duration

The scholarship will be awarded to full-time registered students only, for up to four years of study, subject to satisfactory annual review of progress in research.

Teaching support

As part of this scholarship, the scholarship holder will be required to undertake such duties as may be specified by the Head of Department or his/her nominee within the stipulated maximum of 240 hours during term time. In addition, the scholarship holder may engage in 120 hours work outside of term time. Scholarship beneficiaries may not undertake any other substantive paid work within the University.

Prospective applicants will be expected to teach across a range of the Department's programmes. Applicants should note that teaching on our Professional Masters of Education programme takes place generally in the mornings.

These duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- To assist the delivery of a range of teaching and assessment activities, including tutorials and laboratory demonstrations, in support of the required teaching commitments of undergraduate students;
- To co-ordinate and assist in delivering a twice annual student-teacher visiting programme with Uppsala University;
- To contribute, under supervision, to the development of appropriate teaching materials to ensure that content and methods of delivery meet learning objectives;
- To contribute, where appropriate and under supervision, to the assessment process, using a variety of methods and techniques and to provide effective, timely and appropriate feedback to students to support their learning;

- To be available for consultation by undergraduate students;
- To lead classes with groups of students and/or participate in the supervision of practical work, advising on skills, experimental methods and techniques to assist the transfer of knowledge;
- To undertake limited administrative duties related to teaching as requested by the Head of Department;
- To attend meetings associated with the course they support as requested/ appropriate.
- To undertake any other reasonable duties as determined by the Head of Department.

Maintenance Award

A fixed stipend of €10k per annum will be offered. This will be paid in twelve equal instalments from October to September. The scholarship will be awarded for the expected duration of the studies, up to a maximum of four years, subject to satisfactory annual review of progress in research under the Universities normal processes.

Successful application to Funded Scholarship

If a scholarship holder is subsequently successful in securing an externally funded scholarship that covers tuition fees, then this Doctoral Scholarship will lapse at the commencement of the funded scholarship. In those circumstances, and if the scheme remains in operation, then the Departmental commitment will also lapse, and the Department may choose to commence a new Doctoral Scholarship.

Progression

A Doctoral Scholarship is contingent on the holder being a registered Doctoral Student and meeting all the requirements for annual progression. The scholarship and any teaching support activities will terminate automatically when the holder ceases to be a registered graduate student. It is a legitimate objective of the University to provide education and training for successive cohorts of postgraduate students and providing an opportunity to students to develop skills in teaching by serving as a teaching assistant, tutor or demonstrator is an important part of postgraduate training, the University makes such work available to postgraduate students as a priority.

Closing date for applications

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