##### August 10, 2017

##### **Department of Sociology, Maynooth University**

##### **Expressions of Interest sought for teaching opportunities 2017-2018**

The Department of Sociology has a number of short-term teaching opportunities that will be filled for the coming academic year 2017-2018. These positions are as follows:

1. **Tutors for the First Year and Second Year Programmes in Sociology and Politics.**

These positions afford the opportunity to work in small groups with incoming and continuing students to develop their skill set and support the key objectives of the sociology programme which is to introduce the conceptual tools that form the basis of critical sociological analysis, and equip students with an understanding of social science research methodologies. Tutors are expected to either have undertaken a Certificate of Teaching and Learning (CTL) or to be prepared to enrol in such a programme.

1. **Special Topic leader in Sociology**

In the final year of the B.A. degree in Sociology the Department runs Special Topic reading, discussion and research groups. Each of these groups will focus on a specific research theme or area and will be led by a staff director. We are seeking expressions of interest from advanced postgraduate students/recent PhD graduates/postdoctoral researchers who may have an interest in leading such a group. Up to two positions may be availablein the academic year 2017-2018**.**

1. **SO152K module in second semester on Kilkenny campus**

##### The Department of Sociology will offer two 7.5 CREDIT modules in Sociology on the Kilkenny campus in the academic year 2017-18 (subject to sufficient enrolment numbers). We are seeking expressions of interest for the provision of the second semester module SO152K, Sociological Imagination. SO152K Sociological Imagination will introduce the discipline of Sociology through the lens of social class, gender, race, ethnicity and nationhood. The modules taught in Kilkenny will follow the same format and mirror the content of the SO152 at MU as far as is practicable. The successful candidates will have to: liaise closely with the First Year lecturing team at MU on the content of the module to be taught; engage in a style of teaching suitable for a relatively small group of students; follow the curriculum sufficiently closely so that students will be adequately prepared for assessment; be available to communicate with and support students enrolled on the Kilkenny programme on a weekly basis throughout the second semester.

If you would like to be considered for any of the above positions please submit a one page biography and a cover letter outlining your interest in the position, your relevant experience and expertise. **Please indicate clearly the positions you wish to be considered for**. If you are applying for Special Topic leader, please provide a one paragraph summary of the research theme you would propose. Applications should be sent by email on or before **5 pm on Friday, September 1, 2017** to [mary.corcoran@nuim.ie](mailto:mary.corcoran@nuim.ie). The applications will be reviewed by a Departmental committee which reserves the right to hold interviews. Please note that pay rates are governed by the current university schedule of staff rates. Further queries on pay rates may be directed to [sociology.department@nuim.ie](mailto:sociology.department@nuim.ie).