



Candidate Information

Position: Lecturer in Irish Politics
School/Department: School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics
Reference: 26/113376
Closing Date: Monday 8 June 2026
Salary: £45,349 - £49,536 per annum.
Anticipated Interview Date: Wednesday 1 July 2026

JOB PURPOSE:

The School seeks to appoint a Lecturer in Irish Politics that can support our current research and teaching strengths and future growth in respect of the politics of the Republic of Ireland.

MAJOR DUTIES:

Teaching:

1. To teach the politics of the Republic of Ireland, as well as contribute to teaching on existing political science and methods modules and supervise undergraduate and postgraduate dissertations.
2. To deliver teaching and assessment activities including lectures and coursework according to own area of subject specialism.
3. Develop approaches to teaching and learning which are appropriate for the subject area and reflect developing practice.
4. Contribute to the enhancement of quality teaching within the subject, school and university.
5. Develop and advise others on learning and teaching tasks and methods.
6. Contribute to the design of innovative teaching programmes.

Research:

1. The successful candidate will be an excellent political scientist who publishes in world leading research in general or specialist journals, particularly on the politics of the Republic of Ireland either as a case study or in comparative analysis.
2. Contribute to the School's research culture. This will include contributing to research seminars, organizing and delivering to conferences, and other events as opportunities arise.
3. Develop research projects that have the potential to generate knowledge transfer / impact, and securing appropriate external funding for them, where applicable.

Administration/Contribution to the Community:

1. Carry out designated School administrative duties, including for example, committee work, course administration, etc.
2. Provide pastoral care for students in the School and ensure that all issues are dealt with in a timely, sympathetic and effective manner.
3. Contribute to the School's outreach strategy by developing external links.
4. Develop links with relevant external bodies to create opportunities for future knowledge transfer/public engagement and future research projects.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Ph.D. in Politics (must be submitted).
2. Evidence of publishing world leading research, particularly on the politics of the Republic of Ireland either as a case study or in comparative analysis.
3. Record of publication of research outputs appropriate to stage of career in internationally recognised Political Science journals or related field journals.
4. A track record of a research focus on the contemporary politics and governance of the Republic of Ireland.
5. Evidence of effective and innovative teaching at University level appropriate to stage of career, including successful design and delivery of modules.

6. Evidence of ability to contribute to the teaching of modules concerning the government and politics of the Republic of Ireland, and in political science/studies and methods more generally.
7. A track record of leadership, demonstrated as evidence of leadership or significant contribution to major initiatives that significantly improved education, research or administrative processes, particularly in respect of the study of Irish politics.
8. Evidence of ability to carry out administrative duties appropriate to post.
9. Excellent interpersonal and communication (written and oral) skills, including the ability to work as an effective team member.
10. Excellent oral communication and presentation skills, with sufficiently developed English language skills to deliver undergraduate and postgraduate education.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. Contributing to academic and public understanding of the politics of the island of Ireland.
2. PGCHET (or equivalent) and/or Associate Fellow/Fellow of the Higher Education Academy status, or equivalent.
3. Clear potential to contribute to teaching at Masters level.
4. Clear potential to supervise undergraduate and postgraduate projects and dissertations.
5. Membership of learned societies.
6. Evidence of active international research collaboration or participation in international research networks.
7. Track record of earning research income.
8. Evidence of experience in the use of digital learning environments.
9. Evidence of experience in pastoral care and student support.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Informal enquiries can be directed to: Professor John Garry - j.garry@qub.ac.uk.