

## Candidate Information

**Position:** Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Irish  
**School/Department:** School of Arts, English and Languages  
**Reference:** 26/113508  
**Closing Date:** Monday 20 July 2026  
**Salary:** Lecturer: £46,936 - £64,890. per annum. Senior Lecturer: £66,830 - £77,441 per annum.  
**Anticipated Interview Date:** Thursday 6 August 2026

### JOB PURPOSE:

The School of Arts, English and Languages seeks to appoint a Lecturer in Irish. The successful candidate will join a dynamic and growing department within the School of Arts, English and Languages, contributing to the development of teaching and research in Irish language and literature. The position offers an opportunity to make a significant impact on the academic experience of our students and to further advance the study of the Irish language, with a potential focus on historical language and literature or linguistics, depending on the candidate's expertise and research interests.

### MAJOR DUTIES:

#### Teaching:

1. Deliver teaching and assessment activities within own area of specialism including lectures, seminars, setting/marking coursework, practical workshops, and relevant fieldwork to undergraduates and postgraduates.
2. Select appropriate assessment instruments and criteria, assess the work and progress of students by reference to the criteria and provide constructive feedback to students.
3. Seek ways of improving performance by reflecting on teaching design and delivery and obtaining and analysing feedback.
4. Actively recruit and supervise postgraduate research students in area of expertise.
5. Supervise and/or support supervision of projects at undergraduate and postgraduate level.
6. Plan and develop independent teaching contributions and contribute to the design or revision of course units.
7. Help to develop appropriate teaching approaches and contribute to curriculum development.

#### Research:

1. Develop and plan an area of personal research and expertise, and/or undertake research under supervision within a specific research project or as a member of a research team.
2. Produce high-quality research outputs and/or publications in appropriate journals, etc. and present work at conferences.
3. Where appropriate, source and secure external funding in collaboration with others from the relevant funding bodies to ensure continued growth of the School's/area's research profile.
4. Engage with research networks within the field and contribute to national and international scholarly debates.

#### Administration/Contribution to the Community:

1. Contribute to the School's outreach strategy by developing external links.
2. Provide pastoral care for students within own area to ensure that all issues are dealt with in a timely, sympathetic and effective manner.
3. Carry out designated routine School administrative duties, including, for example, committee work, course administration etc.
4. Be responsible for the record-keeping associated with teaching and the preparation of teaching materials.
5. Contribute to the development and implementation of the department's strategic objectives, especially in the areas of language revitalization and Irish cultural heritage.

### ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Have or about to obtain a PhD in Irish Language and Literature, or a closely related field.

2. A record of internationally excellent research outputs and/or research publications in established and/or emerging areas of Irish, appropriate to career stage.
3. Relevant teaching experience to at least degree level. (Near-)native fluency in Irish and the ability to teach, assess and work through the medium of Irish).
4. Ability to contribute to broader management and administrative processes.
5. High level of analytical capability.
6. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
7. Effective interpersonal skills.
8. Ability to assess and organise resources.
9. Engagement in continuous professional development.

**DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

1. PGCHET/UK HEA Certificate in Professional Studies or equivalent overseas teaching qualification.
2. Ability to contribute to existing research projects in Irish at QUB.
3. Evidence of securing research funding at or after post-doctoral career stage.
4. A record of significant research impact beyond the academic community appropriate to career stage.
5. Experience of active participation in international or interdisciplinary research networks appropriate to stage.
6. Ability to offer modules in Irish linguistics and/or medieval Irish language and literature.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Informal enquiries can be directed to: Professor Greg Toner - [g.toner@qub.ac.uk](mailto:g.toner@qub.ac.uk).