

## Department of Educational Psychology, Inclusive and Special Education

### Mary Immaculate College

#### Departmental Assistantships, 2022-2023

#### General Information

The Department of Educational Psychology, Inclusive and Special Education (EPISE), Mary Immaculate College, is now accepting applications from current and potential research M.A./Ph.D. students for a funded Departmental Assistantship beginning in September 2022.

The successful applicant will work under the supervision of a member of staff in the EPISE Department. S/he/they will be provided with a fee waiver (two years for a research M.A. student; four years for a Ph.D. student) and an annual stipend of €6,900 (two years for a research M.A. student; three years for a Ph.D. student). The applicant will undertake tutorial and other departmental work, to a maximum of 120 hours per year.

General information on the Departmental Assistantship funding scheme is available here: <https://www.mic.ul.ie/research/research-graduate-school/supports/scholarships-funding-fees?index=0>

#### Application Process

##### *Current PhD/ Masters by Research Students*

The applicant should complete a Departmental Assistantship application form (EPISE).

##### *Potential PhD/ Masters by Research Students*

There are two parts to the application process.

Part 1. To be considered for a Departmental Assistantship, applicants should identify a research topic and supervisor, and complete a research postgraduate application. Information on this process is available here: <https://www.mic.ul.ie/research/research-graduate-school/supports/how-to-apply>

It is essential that potential applicants allow sufficient time to prepare an application in conjunction with a potential supervisor. Further information on the research interests of faculty in the EPISE Department is available here: <https://www.mic.ul.ie/faculty-of-education/department/educational-psychology-inclusive-special-education?index=2>

Part 2. In addition, the applicant should complete a Departmental Assistantship (EPISE) application.

#### Selection Criteria

- Academic record at undergraduate level;
- Academic record at postgraduate level (if appropriate);

- Research M.A. or Ph.D. project related to the field of educational psychology or inclusive and special education;
- Aptitude for teaching undergraduate students in tutorials.
- Physical and online availability throughout working day (desirable criterion)

### **Application Process**

Applications are welcome from current students and potential students who intend to begin a research postgraduate programme in Educational Psychology, Inclusive and Special Education in 2021. Please note that students currently undertaking the Professional Doctorate in Educational and Child Psychology are ineligible to apply. Applicants should submit the following documents by email to Dr Johanna Fitzgerald, Head of Department ([Johanna.fitzgerald@mic.ul.ie](mailto:Johanna.fitzgerald@mic.ul.ie)):

- Academic transcripts.
- A completed Departmental Assistantship Application Form (EPISE) with accompanying academic reference.

The deadline for receipt of applications is **4.00 p.m. on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022.**

### **Selection Process**

The Department will convene a Selection Committee consisting of the Head of Department (chair) and two other members of faculty in the EPISE Department. The committee will assess applications on the basis of the selection criteria and make recommendation(s) for approval via the Head of the Graduate School to the Executive Team. The Head of Department will notify applicants of the outcome of the selection process as soon as possible. Late Applications will not be accepted.

### **Further Information**

Please direct general queries to Dr Johanna Fitzgerald, and the EPISE Department website: <https://www.mic.ul.ie/faculty-of-education/departments/educational-psychology-inclusive-special-education?index=0>

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