The post-doctoral research associate

Recognising that it is not always possible to formally employ post-doctoral researchers, the School proposes to develop the position of a ‘post-doctoral research associate’. This position does not constitute an employment relationship or contract but reflects the wish on the part of the School to develop the early careers of researchers and promote the research profile of the School. The position of post doctoral research associate will be governed by the following principals:

- The post-doctoral research associate can be appointed for a period of one semester/half-year with the possibility of extension for a further semester/half-year. This period will, normally, follow immediately from commencement.

- Applications for associate positions are open to Ph.D. and D.Ed. graduates of the School and, in particular circumstances, international Ph.D. students recently graduated. Applications will normally be made in Hilary term before submission and must be accompanied by the endorsement of a staff member. The decision on the awarding of research associate status will be taken by the School Awards Committee.

- A post-doctoral research associate will be attached to one of the School's research groups, normally that in which the associate completed doctoral studies.

- The principal purpose of the position will be the publication of a peer-reviewed article based on the Ph.D./D.Ed. and with the doctoral supervisor as co-author.

- The post-doctoral research associate will be a member of the School’s Research Committee and attend its meetings.

- The post-doctoral research associate will be expected to attend the School’s research seminars and can be requested to present.

- The School will provide a post-doctoral research associate bursary of €1,800 to be used to cover the expenses of attending a national or international conference during the term of the position, or, at latest, within one year of commencement.

- The post-doctoral research associate can be employed casually for the purposes of teaching and thesis supervision, if the term of the position extends to one year.