

Specialised Courses

Courses for Non-Native Teachers of English

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Overview:

These courses have been specifically designed for non-native teachers of English at primary and secondary– school level or for teachers who would like to use CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning). The courses were developed within the Erasmus + framework.

Primary School Teachers' Course (SPC5)

This two-week course provides language development classes and methodology modules focusing on the teaching of English in the primary classroom and on the needs of young learners.

The main focus is on practical ideas and materials' development. Modules include: Songs and Games in the Language Classroom; Drama and Role-Play; Tasks and Activities for Language Learning; English Across the Curriculum; Developing Listening and Speaking Skills; Internet Resources for Language Teachers. Practical workshops focus on helping participants to devise materials and lessons for their own teaching situations. A minimum language level of CEFR B1 is required for this programme.

Non-Native Secondary School Teachers of English Course (SPC6)

This course focuses on the teaching of English in the secondary-school classroom. Different learning theories and their applications are presented and practical modules include: Teaching the Four Skills; Use of Authentic Materials; Tasks and Activities for Language Learning; Drama and Role-Play in the Language Classroom; Internet Resources and Language Teaching. Participants are given the opportunity to improve their confidence and competence in English by means of language development classes. We provide afternoon seminars in Education and in Irish Culture. A minimum language level of Upper Intermediate (CEFR B2) is required for this programme.

Introduction to CLIL: Theory & Practice (with Language Development option)

This course is for teachers who are new to, or have recently begun teaching CLIL. It is a practical introduction to the CLIL approach for all secondary teachers and primary teachers of pupils aged 10+.

The programme combines lectures and practical workshops and it presents the key concepts in CLIL, using a selection of practical activities for various subjects at late primary and secondary level.

The course is available as a one week intensive CLIL only option, or as a two week CLIL & Language Development option. A minimum English language level of CEFR B2 is required for CLIL programmes.

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| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 09.00 – 11.00 | General Introduction English Language Written and Spoken Placement Test | Developing Listening Skills in Language Learners | Using Internet to source material for language teaching (practical workshop session in multi-media room) | Drama in the Language Classroom | Meta Grammar We all know that 'would' is politer than 'will', and that we use that past simple for the second conditional. But why? This session asks what is behind the rules. |
| 11.00 – 11.20 | break | break | break | break | break |
| 11.20 – 13.20 | English Language Development | English Language Development | English Language Development | English Language Development | English Language Development |
| 13.20 – 14.15 | lunch | lunch | lunch | lunch | lunch |
| Afternoon Programme 14.15 – 16.15 | City Centre Orientation & Walking Tour of Dublin Orientation with ECI guide | Cultural Seminar: Ireland's History and Culture | Guided Visit to Dublin Writers' Museum | Education Seminar The Education System in Ireland | Guided Visit to the Guinness Brewery |

Sample Programme for Secondary School teachers - Week 1

Levels & Availability:

These courses are held on fixed dates throughout the year and are subject to a minimum number of 8 participants per course. Teachers' Courses can also be arranged for closed groups on request.

Tuition Hours:

25 hours per week including lessons, seminars and cultural activities

Timetable:

Sample Timetable (SPC5):

Monday - Friday mornings:

Group Tuition.

09.00-11.00: Specialist Modules

11.00-11.20: mid-morning break

11.20-13.20: Specialist Modules

Monday-Friday afternoons:

14.15-16.15: Specialist Modules/Cultural Visits

Weekends:

Choice of 1 or 2-day excursions at an additional cost

Locations:

These courses are held on fixed dates in our Palmerston Park or Milltown Park schools.

What is included in the course fee?

Written and oral placement test

Tuition (60 minutes per lesson)

Interesting and stimulating supplementary course materials

Use of multi-media facilities and free WiFi

Ongoing support and monitoring by class teachers and Director of Studies

Regular seminars such as "Living and Working in Ireland" and "CV Preparation and Interviews"

Rich and varied Social Programme

Diploma on completion of course with personalised student report

Welcome Kit with guides and maps and student handbook

Exclusive access to Emerald student website with information, interactive presentations and free learning resources