

# Primary Teaching (Ireland) Entry 2016

## Information Sheet

### Maynooth University Career Development Centre

<b>Information:</b>	<b>Professional Master of Education (Primary Teaching)</b> - Conversion courses enabling graduates to qualify as primary teachers. Two routes: (i) College based (ii) On-line/distance course
<b>College based course:</b>	<b>Froebel Department, Maynooth University, St. Patrick's Drumcondra, , Colaiste Mhuire Marino, Mary Immaculate College (Limerick)</b> <b>Next intake September 2016</b>
<b>Additional Requirements:</b>	HC3 Irish, HD3 or OD3 Mathematics, HD3 or OC3 English Leaving Certificate or First Arts examination in these subjects or Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge (TEG) at Level B2 (Maynooth University), Dioploima sa Ghaeilge Fheidhmeach (UCD), Dioploima sa Ghaeilge, Level B2, (NUIG), Diploma in Arts (Applied Irish) (UCC), Dioploima sa Ghaeilge (An Ghaeilge sa Saol Comhaimseartha) (UL), and Diploma in Irish (University of Ulster)
<b>Duration:</b>	2 years
<b>Fees 2015:</b>	€5,564 p.a. (to be confirmed)
<b>Funding:</b>	See <a href="http://www.studentfinance.ie">www.studentfinance.ie</a>
<b>Application:</b>	Application to Dublin Area Colleges on <a href="http://www.pac.ie">www.pac.ie</a> at <a href="http://www.pac.ie/main.php?inst=dc&amp;ln=e">http://www.pac.ie/main.php?inst=dc&amp;ln=e</a>
<b>Further Information</b>	<a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education/professional-masters-education-primary-teaching">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education/professional-masters-education-primary-teaching</a> and <a href="https://www.spd.dcu.ie/site/prospective_students/ProfessionalMasterofEducation.shtml">https://www.spd.dcu.ie/site/prospective_students/ProfessionalMasterofEducation.shtml</a>
<b>Application Fee 2016:</b>	Applicants can apply to <b>BOTH</b> centres. Application details for Mary Immaculate College to be confirmed €45
<b>Closing Date:</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> March 2016</b> Interviews/Orals for Dublin Area colleges will likely be 13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> May 2016. Dates for Mary Immaculate College to be confirmed
<b>Selection:</b>	Interview and Irish Oral.
<b>Other Information:</b>	A 2 week Gaeltacht placement will take place in each year of the course.
<b>On-line course:</b>	<b>Hibernia College</b>
<b>Intake:</b>	Next intakes of graduates will be April 2016
<b>Additional Requirements:</b>	HC3 Irish, HD3 or OD3 Mathematics, HD3 or OC3 English Leaving Certificate or First Arts examination in these subjects.
<b>Closing date:</b>	Early closing date 27 <sup>th</sup> November, final closing date January 2016 (exact date to be confirmed)
<b>Duration:</b>	2 years
<b>Fees:</b>	€12,400 <a href="http://hiberniacollege.com/courses/professional-master-of-education-pme-in-primary-education/#Fees-and-costs">http://hiberniacollege.com/courses/professional-master-of-education-pme-in-primary-education/#Fees-and-costs</a>
<b>Application:</b>	On-going application. Application forms and further details available from college.
<b>Application Fee:</b>	€65 (early application) €95 (late application) tbc
<b>Selection:</b>	Interview and Irish Oral.
<b>Plan:</b>	
<b>Obtain:</b>	Application material and course details from the individual Colleges (Contact details overleaf)
<b>Prepare for:</b>	Interview – purpose of interview is to ascertain your suitability for the course of training as a primary teacher. Assess your strengths and be prepared to give evidence that you have a genuine interest in teaching. It is not enough to say that you have always wanted to teach. <b>Voluntary work with young people and some time spend in classroom observation in one or more primary schools are important.</b>
<b>Interview Criteria</b>	<a href="http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education/professional-masters-education-primary-teaching">http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education/professional-masters-education-primary-teaching</a> Irish Oral – this will comprise: (a) conversation on everyday topics and on books read and (b) reading correctly and intelligently a suitable passage of prose or poetry and explaining the matter read. A high standard of fluency is expected. Appropriate preparation is essential.
<b>Attend:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Career Talks - “<b>Information on Teacher Education – Ireland &amp; the U.K.</b>” and “<b>Applying for Teacher Education</b>” - Details on Careers Website <a href="http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/careers/events">http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/careers/events</a> and Careers Noticeboards</li></ul>
<b>Research</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CDC “Explore Careers” <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/careers/useful-resources/explore-careers/education#primary">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/careers/useful-resources/explore-careers/education#primary</a></li><li>• gradireland Publication: “<i>Graduate Careers in Teaching and Education</i>” and Careers Sectors - <a href="http://gradireland.com/careers-advice/job-descriptions/teacher-primary-level">http://gradireland.com/careers-advice/job-descriptions/teacher-primary-level</a></li></ul>

## Useful Addresses and Contact Numbers

✉ St. Patrick's College,  
Drumcondra,  
Dublin 9.  
☎ (01) 884 2013  
📧 [courseinfo@dcu.ie](mailto:courseinfo@dcu.ie)  
www: <http://www.spd.dcu.ie>

✉ Mary Immaculate College,  
South Circular Road,  
Limerick.  
☎ (061) 204 292  
📧 [admissions@mic.ul.ie](mailto:admissions@mic.ul.ie)  
www: <http://www.mic.ul.ie>

✉ Marino Institute of Education ✉  
Griffith Avenue,  
Marino,  
Dublin 3.  
☎ (01) 805 7700  
📧 [admissions@mie.ie](mailto:admissions@mie.ie)  
www: <http://www.mie.ie>

✉ Froebel Department,  
Maynooth University,  
Maynooth,  
Co. Kildare.  
☎ (01) 474 7400  
📧 [froebel.department@nuim.ie](mailto:froebel.department@nuim.ie)  
www: [www.maynoothuniversity.ie](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie)

✉ Hibernia College,  
9-10 Fenian St,  
Dublin 2.  
☎ 01 – 6610168  
📧 [info@hiberniacollege.net](mailto:info@hiberniacollege.net)  
www: <http://www.hiberniacollege.com>

✉ Teaching Council,  
Block A,,  
Maynooth Business Campus,  
Maynooth,  
Co. Kildare.  
☎ (01) 651 7900  
📧 [info@teachingcouncil.ie](mailto:info@teachingcouncil.ie)  
www: <http://www.teachingcouncil.ie>

✉ Irish National Teachers' Organisation,  
35 Parnell Square,  
Dublin 1.  
☎ (01) 804 7700  
☎ 1850 708708  
📧 [info@into.ie](mailto:info@into.ie)  
www: <http://www.into.ie>

✉ Department of Education  
Primary Branch,  
Athlone,  
Co. Westmeath.  
☎ (01) 873 4700 and ask for Primary Branch  
www: [www.education.ie](http://www.education.ie)

✉ State Examinations Commission  
[entries@examinations.ie](mailto:entries@examinations.ie)  
[www.examinations.ie](http://www.examinations.ie)

✉ Irish Language Requirement Office  
SCG (Aptitude Test) or OCG (Adaptation Period)  
Marino Institute of Education  
Griffith Avenue,  
Dublin 9  
☎ 01 – 8535142 / 8535134  
📧 [scginfo@mie.ie](mailto:scginfo@mie.ie)  
📧 [ocginfo@mie.ie](mailto:ocginfo@mie.ie)  
www [www.ilrweb.ie](http://www.ilrweb.ie)

✉ Postgraduate Application Centre  
1 Courthouse Square,  
Galway  
☎ (091) 549260  
📧 [info@pac.ie](mailto:info@pac.ie)  
www: [www.pac.ie](http://www.pac.ie)

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