













**Did you know?** There is a growing demand for teachers who speak Irish in every sector of education – early years, primary education, post-primary, further and higher education. Teachers who can teach a variety of subjects through Irish (mathematics, science, technology and home economics, for example) are also in great demand.

## Examples of courses in this area:

### Early Years

Code	Course	Qualification/ Level	Location	QR code/ Phone
CM020	Early Childhood Education	BSc	Marino Institute of Education, Dublin	
MT571 MT971	Early Childhood Education and Care	BA	Munster Technological University, Tralee	
	Cúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige	Level 5	Ionad Breisoideachais Ros Muc, Galway	091 574411
	Cúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige	Level 5	Scoil Phobail Mhic Dara, Carna	095 32245
	Cúram agus Oideachas Luath-Óige	Level 6	Muintearas, Tír an Fhia, Galway	091 551412

### Primary Teaching

MI005/MI006	Primary Teaching	B Ed	Mary Immaculate College, Limerick	
MI008	Education and Psychology	B Ed	Mary Immaculate College, Limerick	
CM003	Oideachas trí Mheán na Gaeilge	B Ed	Marino Institute of Education, Dublin	
DC002 DC003 (Gaeltacht) DC004	Education- Primary Education	B Ed	Dublin City University	
MH001 MH002 (Gaeltacht)	Education – Primary Teaching	B Ed	Maynooth University	
	Bilingual Education	B Ed	St. Mary's University College, Belfast	
Q5X3 (UCAS)	Irish with Education	BA	University of Ulster	
	Irish-medium Education	Postgraduate Certificate in Education	St. Mary's University College, Belfast	
	Ardscileanna Gaeilge do Mhúinteoirí	Postgraduate Certificate	University of Galway	
	Máistir Gairmiúil san Oideachas	MGO	Marino Institute of Education, Dublin	
	Oideachas Lán-Ghaeilge agus Gaeltachta	M Ed	Trinity College Dublin	

## Post-Primary Teaching

Code	Course	Qualification	Institution/University	QR code
MI011	Education, Irish & Religious Studies	BA	Mary Immaculate College, Limerick, St Patrick's Campus, Thurles	
MI012	Education, Irish & Business Studies	BA	Mary Immaculate College, Limerick, St Patrick's Campus, Thurles	
MI013	Education, Mathematics & Irish	BA	Mary Immaculate College, Limerick, St Patrick's Campus, Thurles	
Q5X3 (UCAS)	Irish with Education	BA	University of Ulster	
DN760	Education with Irish and Modern Languages	B Ed	University College Dublin	
DC013	Irish and French/ German/Spanish	B Ed	Dublin City University	
LM091	Education in Languages	B Ed	University of Limerick	
LM090	Physical Education and Irish	B Ed	University of Limerick	
CK124	Education (Irish with Language/Mathematics)	B Ed	University College Cork	
CK125	Physical Education and Irish	B Ed	University College Cork	
AU987	Education, Home Economics & Irish	B Ed	ATU Sligo	
	Máistir Gairmiúil san Oideachas	MGO	University of Galway	
	Oideachas Lán-Ghaeilge & Gaeltachta	M Ed	Trinity College Dublin	
	Teagasc Ábharbhunaithe -iar-bhunscolaíocht- Lán-Ghaeilge agus Gaeltachta	Postgraduate Certificate	Mary Immaculate College, Limerick	
	Ardscileanna Gaeilge do Mhúinteoirí	Postgraduate Certificate	University of Galway	
	Education (Modern Languages)	Postgraduate Certificate	Queen's University Belfast	
	Iar-Bhunoideachas Lán-Ghaeilge	Teastas larchéime san Oideachas	Coláiste Ollscoile Naomh Muire, Béal Feirste/Ollscoil na Banríona/Ollscoil Uladh	

Vacancies in naíonraí and in schools are advertised on the following websites: [gaeloideachas.ie](http://gaeloideachas.ie) and [educationposts.ie](http://educationposts.ie)

### Further Education courses, a sample:

- » Pre-University Teaching, Dunboyne College of Further Education, Co. Meath – Level 5
- » An Cheathrú Rua Access Foundation Diploma Programme, University of Galway – Level 6
- » Teastas i Múineadh na Gaeilge d'Fhoghlaimoirí Fásta, University of Maynooth (online) – Level 6

**Training Support Scheme for the Early-Years sector – Údarás na Gaeltachta:** Support is provided for childcare workers in the early education sector who are employed in the Gaeltacht in order to qualify them to a very high standard. Funding is provided to these community structures and services to enable staff to develop their skills.



### Máistir Gairmiúil san Oideachas, University of Galway



“The Máistir Gairmiúil san Oideachas is a two-year postgraduate course, where one qualifies to become a post-primary school teacher. The best thing about the course is that everything is done through Irish. There is an emphasis on Irish language education and school placement is done in schools that teach through Irish. There is a focus on technology and on the creation of materials. Because of the small classes and the cooperative, pleasant atmosphere, I always felt there was support for me on this course. There is undoubtedly a huge demand for teachers who can teach through Irish and even though I didn't get my education through Irish this course definitely gave me the confidence to work in this sector.”

– Eimear Ní Churtáin, Irish and Maths teacher



Video on the MGO  
in the University  
of Galway



Videos on the B. Ed. through Irish in Marino Institute of Education:





**Organisations involved in Irish Education include:**

- » An Chomhairle um Oideachas Gaeltachta agus Gaelscolaíochta (COGG)
- » Gaeloideachas
- » An Foras Patrúnachta
- » The Department of Education
- » Third-Level Institutions
- » Education and Training Boards
- » National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA)

**Rob Ó Sé: Múinteoir Bunscoile**

“Bhaineas mo chéim amach ó Choláiste Mhuire Gan Smál, agus táim ag múineadh i nGaelscoil Charraig Uí Leighin le ceithre bliana anois. Is breá liom é – scoil iontach is ea í. An rud is fearr liom faoin múinteoireacht ná an dea-chaidreamh a bhíonn agat leis na páistí, le múinteoirí eile agus le pobal na scoile go léir. Tá sé go hiontach a bheith ábalta cabhrú leis na páistí óga, ó na Naíonáin suas go dtí Rang a Sé. Tá sé go hiontach an dul chun cinn a fheiscint iontu i gcaitheamh na bliana. Chomh maith leis sin, is breá liom a bheith ag múineadh trínár dteanga dhúchais féin. Sin an rud is tábhachtaí domsa, mar dhuine atá líofa sa Ghaeilinn.”

**Colm Ó Coileáin: Science, Physics/Chemistry Teacher in Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne. Chemistry Teacher for E-Hub**

“I love teaching Science and Physics through Irish in Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne, County Kerry. I speak Irish and I’m passionate about science so it makes sense for me to teach Science through Irish. There are many more opportunities for science teachers if they can teach through Irish. I love motivating young people in science and there is a great variety in the work – no two classes are the same!

The best thing about teaching physics is the critical thinking it instils in the students and, in a way, teaching through Irish contributes to that kind of thinking too. The terminology in science can be difficult but often the Irish term explains the concept better than the English term.

I also love being able to teach Chemistry on the E-Hub – to Chemistry students from all over the Gaeltacht – in Gaoth Dobhair and Conamara. While teaching online has certain disadvantages, the E-Hub give students a chance to study these subjects through Irish when they’re not available in their own schools.

I would definitely recommend this profession to anyone who has an interest in science or Irish. Teachers have a great life!”

