Professional Master of Education (Primary) – Full-time Courses (2 years)

Maynooth University (Froebel Department of Primary & Early Childhood Education) -

https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-

education/professional-masters-education-primary-teaching

Dublin City University - https://www.dcu.ie/courses/postgraduate/institute-education/professional-master-education-primary-teaching

Marino Institute of Education -

https://www.mie.ie/en/study_with_us/postgraduate_programmes/professional_master_of_education primary /

Mary Immaculate College - https://www.mic.ul.ie/faculty-of-education/programme/professional-master-of-education-primary-teaching?index=0

Fees 2023/24: €5,800 p.a. | Funding Information: http://susi.ie

Entry Requirements (2024)

Minimum H2.2 Honours bachelor's degree (Level 8 on NQF) or a major award at Level 9 or Level 10 on NQF Leaving Cert Requirements:

Minimum H4 (HC1/HC2) in Irish,

04/H7 (OC1/OC2/HE) in Mathematics,

O4/H7 (OC1/OC2 /HE) in English

(H=Higher /O=Ordinary level) or First Arts examination in these subjects.

GCSE and GCE A Level:

Grade C at GCE A Level Irish.

Grade C at GCSE Level in both English and English Literature or Grade B in either.

Grade D at GCSE Level in Additional Mathematics or a Grade C at GCSE Level in Mathematics.

Alternative Irish qualifications:

Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge (TEG) at Level B2 (Maynooth University),

Dioploma sa Ghaeilge Fheidhmeach (UCD), Dioploma sa Ghaeilge, Level B2/ C1 (UoG), Dioploma in Arts (Applied Irish) (UCC), Dioploma sa Ghaeilge (An Ghaeilge sa Saol Comhaimseartha) (UL), and Diploma in Irish (University of Ulster).

Alternative Mathematics qualifications:

A Pass in that subject in the Matriculation Examination or A merit grade (65-79%) or distinction grade (80-100%) obtained in QQI Level 5 Mathematics Course (5N 1833) Sample Course - https://nightschool.ie/maths/

Making Applications

Application: Part 1 - Irish (TEG B1) Oral

A high standard of fluency is expected. Appropriate preparation is essential.

TEG Exam Syllabus Information / Exam Sample Irish Oral Closing Date: 16th February 2024

Apply for TEG BI Oral - http://www.teg.ie/about-exams/teg-pme-primary-teaching.860.html

Irish Oral Application Fee: €100

Applicants must achieve 65% in the TEG B1 Exam Irish to be eligible to apply for full-time PME Primary Course.

Application: Part 2 - Online Application forms for each course

- DCU Application portal https://dcuie2.elluciancrmrecruit.com/Apply/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fApply application portal
- Maynooth University at PAC portal https://v2.pac.ie/institute/24
- Marino Institute of Education at https://appcentre.mie.ie/login
- Mary Immaculate College at https://apply.mic.ul.ie/WCFWebSite/OnlineServices/login.aspx

Closing Date: 8th April 2024 (MIC 5pm)

Course Application Fee: MU / MIE / MIC €50; DCU €60

** For MU Froebel PME attendance at MU Open Day on April 26th, 2024, is a mandatory part of application process.

How are places awarded?

Maynooth University, DCU and Mary Immaculate College,

INTERVIEW NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ENTRY 2024 - Places awarded based on Points System.

- Points will be awarded based on academic results (If in final year, most recent completed academic year grades will be used - not including Erasmus year)
- TEG Score
- Additional qualifications
- Paid professional experience a maximum of 5 points for full-time experience and 2 points for parttime experience (min 100 hrs per year) can be awarded.
- Sustained voluntary experience (e.g. weekly) with young people in an organisational setting if deemed relevant will be awarded 0.5 points per year of volunteering.

DCU Points System

https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/inline-files/DC970%20-%20Points%20Scoring%20System_0.pdf Mary Immaculate College Points System

https://www.mic.ul.ie/sites/default/files/uploads/396/Updated%20Information%20regarding%20PME%20entry%20for%202024.docx

MU Froebel Points System

https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/system/temporary/filefield_paths/PMEd%20Froebel%20Department%20Points%20System%202024.pdf

Marino Institute of Education -

Places are awarded based on Interview performance -Interview Criteria

- 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. Voluntary work with young people and some time spent in classroom observation in one or more primary schools are important.
- Find out about primary school curriculum and current issues in education.

Up to 10 additional marks may be awarded for students who successfully complete the TEG oral examination at a high level and these marks will be added to their interview score. Candidates who have passed higher levels of TEG (B2, C1 and C2) receive 10 additional marks providing the level was passed prior to the PME closing date.

Professional Master of Education (Primary) – Part-time/Online Courses (2 years)

Hibernia College (On-line course): https://hiberniacollege.com/course/professional-master-education-primary-education/

Application Fee: €95 Duration: 2 years | Fees: €15,000 Next intakes - Autumn 2024 / Spring 2025

On-going application - contact Hibernia College for closing date information.

Selection: Interview (https://hiberniacollege.com/course/professional-master-education-primary-education/) and Irish Oral (For those without TEG B1 oral exam) Applicants are assessed on communication skills, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension and accuracy. A high standard of fluency is expected)

Next Step - Use our Pathways on Careers Connect (MU Students only)

Primary Teaching - Find out more | Primary Teaching - Get Ready to apply

Gathering Required Documentation

- Confirmation Results (Transcripts) request from the MU Records Office here https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/registry/transcripts
- Leaving Cert Results can be requested from SEC https://www.examinations.ie/statement-of-results/
- Letter Confirming when final degree results will be available from MU Records Office https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/records/academic-transcripts-letters-and-forms

Useful Links

The Teaching Council
Department of Education

<u>Irish National Teachers' Organisation</u>
<u>Irish Language Requirement Office -</u>
SCG (Aptitude Test - scginfo@mie.ie)
/ OCG (Adaptation Period) ocginfo@mie.ie

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