

ENGLISH FOR EUROPEAN EDUCATORS

1 & 2 WEEK LANGUAGE COURSES

Dublin, Ireland 2023

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

The course aims to provide teachers of all subjects, headteachers and others working in the field of education with:

- an opportunity to improve their English Language Skills
- an insight into primary or secondary education in Ireland
- an opportunity to meet and develop links with educators from other European countries



COURSE CONTENT:

1. English Language Training

There will be a variety of stimulating language activities to enhance participants' skills in communicating in English:

- general English (listening & speaking skills, pronunciation & intonation, grammar review, vocabulary)
- new developments in the English Language
- classroom language
- educational terminology
- English for interschool communication by telephone or email (re Erasmus+ projects, school exchanges and links, etc.)
- English for conferences, meetings, presentations

2. Lecture and discussion on the Irish Education System

3. Visit to a primary or secondary school (2-week term-time courses only)

4. Lecture on Irish History, Culture and Traditions (2-week courses only)

5. Cultural Visit to Wicklow Mountains National Park and Glendalough monastic site & lakes (2-week courses only)

6. A guided walking tour of Dublin and cultural visits to National Museum: Archaeology, National Museum: History and Decorative Arts and Chester Beatty Library

LOCATION

DUBLIN, Ireland: Population: 1,228,000.

Famous for its cultural heritage and charming hospitality, Dublin is a lively city with a rich history, situated on the east coast of Ireland. Notable historic sights include its elegant Georgian squares, Dublin Castle, Christ Church Cathedral, the Book of Kells at Trinity College, Kilmainham Gaol and National Museums. Temple Bar is a busy riverside neighbourhood with live Irish folk music venues.

Close to the city are the beautiful hills and lakes of Wicklow Mountains National Park and attractive coastal scenery.



2023 DATES:

1-week courses

Spring

Sunday 29 January – Sunday 5 February
Sunday 12 February – Sunday 19 February
Sunday 26 February – Sunday 5 March
Sunday 12 March – Sunday 19 March
Sunday 26 March – Sunday 2 April
Sunday 9 April – Sunday 16 April
Sunday 23 April – Sunday 30 April
Sunday 7 May – Sunday 14 May

Summer

Sunday 18 June – Sunday 25 June
Sunday 2 July – Sunday 9 July
Sunday 16 July – Sunday 23 July
Sunday 30 July – Sunday 6 August
Sunday 13 August – Sunday 20 August
Sunday 27 August – Sunday 3 September

Autumn

Sunday 1 October – Sunday 8 October
Sunday 15 October – Sunday 22 October
Sunday 29 October – Sunday 5 November
Sunday 12 November – Sunday 19 November

2-week courses

Spring

Sunday 29 January – Saturday 11 February
Sunday 12 February – Saturday 25 February
Sunday 26 February – Saturday 11 March
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Sunday 26 March – Saturday 8 April
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Sunday 1 October – Saturday 14 October
Sunday 15 October – Saturday 28 October
Sunday 29 October – Saturday 11 November
Sunday 12 November – Saturday 25 November

TOTAL PRICE:

1 Week: €1436

2 Weeks: €2095

The price includes:

(a) COURSE FEE to include:

Full programme of study sessions and visits as itemised above.

NB. Participants are responsible for paying their own daily transport costs, including visits to schools. Any optional visits are not included in the price.

(b) HOST FAMILY ACCOMMODATION to include:

Full board Accommodation with a local family (inclusive of registration fee): 7 or 13 nights
(Teachers may request to be the only guest of their mother tongue or to stay in the same family as a colleague).

Host families are carefully selected and offer a friendly welcome and opportunities to chat and learn more about life in Ireland today. Participants often find that the experience of staying with a host family is one of the most memorable aspects of the course. Accommodation is in single rooms (unless participants request to share). Breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal are provided by the host family. (Food allergies, likes and dislikes are taken into account.)

Please note that many suitable residential areas are not within walking distance of the city centre and most host families are a bus ride from the city centre/tuition centre. A travel pass for all Dublin public transport costs €32 per week and can also be used to visit nearby coastal villages, beaches and cliffs.

Accommodation can be provided for family members (but not unaccompanied children) subject to availability. (Rates on request).

Alternatively on summer courses (18 June – 20 August):

Self-catering accommodation in a university residence or similar in a central location - single bedroom with en-suite shower/ wc; no meals provided (inclusive of registration fee):

Total fee: 1 week course + 7 nights self-catering accommodation:	€ 1479
Total fee: 2 week course + 13 nights self-catering accommodation:	€ 2239

Participants wishing to arrange their own (hotel or self-catering) accommodation may pay a fee for the course only.

TRAVEL:

Participants are responsible for arranging their travel to and from Ireland.
Express buses run from Dublin Airport to the city.

PAYMENT:

Full payment will be due 2 months before the course begins, or for teachers awaiting funding: as soon as the grant is received. No refund for cancellations within 5 weeks of arrival. Applicants are strongly advised to take out cancellation insurance. Postponement due to Covid-19 will be possible if necessary.

EVALUATION:

At the end of the course teachers participate in a detailed evaluation of the course.

CERTIFICATE & ERASMUS+ VALIDATION:

A certificate of attendance (stating course content and number of hours) will be provided and Erasmus+ documentation will be validated.

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DRAFT PROGRAMME

DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
SUNDAY			Arrive Dublin
MONDAY	0930- Welcome and Introduction 1015 1030- Lecture on the Irish Education System 1230	1400- Guided walking tour of Dublin 1630	
TUESDAY	0930- English Language Training 1230	1330- English Language Training 1630	Optional evening in a traditional pub with Irish folk music
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THURSDAY	0930- English Language Training 1230	1330- English Language Training 1630	
FRIDAY	0930- English Language Training 1230	1330- English Language Training 1630	
SATURDAY	1000- Cultural visits in Dublin: National Museum; History & Decorative Arts 1700 or National Botanic Gardens or Chester Beatty Library		
SUNDAY	Free for individual research or optional visits eg. Book of Kells at Trinity College or Howth & Howth Head (east coast)		
MONDAY	1000- Lecture on Irish History, Culture & 1300 Traditions	1430- Visit National Museum: Archaeology 1630	
TUESDAY	0900- Day visit to a primary or secondary school 1400 Observe lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers (in term-time) or English Language Training		
WEDNESDAY	0930- English Language Training 1230	1330- English Language Training 1630	
THURSDAY	1015- Cultural visit to Wicklow Mountains National Park and Glendalough monastic site & 1700 lakes		
FRIDAY	0930- English Language Training 1230	1330- English Language Training 1630 1630- Evaluation Session 1730	
SATURDAY	Depart Dublin		

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