

# MASTER OF ARTS IN LANGUAGE EDUCATION (ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE) – NEW 2009

## Course Objective

The aim of the first year of the programme is to provide teachers with the opportunity to develop knowledge, skills and competence in the areas of language pedagogy (English as a Second Language) and intercultural competence for dealing with diversity in an educational setting. The programme aims to provide theoretical components and practical applications providing teachers with the opportunity to acquire new knowledge and reflect on their own educational contexts.

The aim of Year 2 of the programme is to build on skills acquired in year 1 and to develop more specialised knowledge and competencies in the areas of language, culture and society, and language learning.

## Course Content

YEAR 1	YEAR 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Language Awareness</li><li>• The Development of Communicative Competence and Literacy Skills</li><li>• Cultural Awareness and Intercultural Competence</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Second Language Acquisition Theory and Practice</li><li>• Research Project (14,000 words)</li></ul> <p><b>Elective Modules*:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Race and Ethnicity: Theory and Practice</li><li>• Computers in Language Teaching and Learning</li></ul>

\* Elective Modules will run subject to sufficient demand

## Entry Requirements

Second class honours grade 2 (GPA 2.5) or equivalent in a Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Arts, Postgraduate Diploma in education or other relevant primary degree at NFQ level 8, and a minimum of one year's teaching experience. Where English is not a subject taken to degree level, a level of C1 on the Council of Europe Framework should be demonstrable.

## Key Information

DURATION	2 Years Part-Time
QUALIFICATION	Master of Arts in Language Education - An award with the title Certificate in Language Education (English as a Second Language) may be granted if learners leave this programme after successfully completing the first year modules (36 ECTS credits). An award with the title Postgraduate Diploma in Arts in Language Education (English as a Second Language) may be granted if learners leave this programme after successfully completing 60 ECTS credits.
COST	To be confirmed
START DATE	January 2009

Please note this course is currently under development