

CLIL – Content & Language Integrated Learning

Required English Language Level: Course A: B2+ | Course B: A2

What is CLIL?

The CLIL method refers to teaching subjects such as art, geography, history and science through a foreign language. The two main underlying principles are that language is used to learn as well as communicate, and also that the content determines the language which is needed to learn.

Who is the CLIL course for?

The CLIL method can be for anyone who teaches subject matter through a foreign language i.e. English. It could be used for teachers who work in Bilingual schools who teach subjects like history or geography, or even teachers of academic English.

This CLIL Course is a two-week course consisting of 20 contact hours per week plus an extensive cultural and social programme which allows you to enjoy Dublin city while you study. While there is a distinct focus on exploring CLIL principles and techniques in the classroom, the course also involves a significant element of English language improvement and a focus on developing language awareness.

We have developed this course for both practising teachers who wish to update and teachers who are new to CLIL. The teachers will also get the opportunity to update their knowledge of contemporary English. The course explores and promotes awareness of the different principles and techniques that are involved in a CLIL syllabus and also gives a deeper insight into how to further exploit your subject materials.

Methodology:

The input sessions are a blend of theory and practice based on the CLIL (Content & Language Integrated Learning) methodology alongside other methodologies that could be used in a CLIL syllabus. We will use a mix of presentation and demonstration of practical teaching activities with both in-house developed and exploited materials. As the course progresses, participants will be encouraged to reflect on their own CLIL practises and how they can integrate the new or refreshed techniques and ideas into their classes. During the 2 weeks, they will also take part in afternoon activities in which they are encouraged to develop their language skills in a more informal environment outside the classroom and further enhance their knowledge of Dublin and Ireland.

Course dates 2018:

Course A (level B2+): 16 July – 27 July 2018

Course B (level A2): 13 August – 24 August 2018

* a separate date can be arranged for closed groups