

Language Development in Primary Education

(10 Credits, Level 9)

Module Aim	This module provides an opportunity for primary school teachers to develop their understanding of language development across a range of settings. Students will be encouraged to reflect on current practice surrounding language development in primary Education and to identify areas in need of development. Students will develop an understanding of good practice in the strands of Oral Language/ Teanga ó Bhéal, Reading/Léitheoireacht and Writing/Scríbhneoireacht and further innovations in language development. Students will be supported to create a strategy for fostering an inclusive and dialogic learning environment and to implement a positive change in their schools. This module aims to deepen students understanding of language development in primary Education in order to enhance teaching, learning and assessment of languages in their schools.
Module Learning Outcomes	 Upon successful completion of this module, a student will be able to: Critically appraise the current landscape around language development in education and evaluate the implications for their professional practice. Critically analyse the theoretical, conceptual and philosophical principles of the PLC to support the preparation of child-centred language development. Evaluate and discern appropriate teaching methodologies, strategies and resources for teaching English and Irish across the three strands of Oral Language, Reading and Writing. Critically evaluate a range of formative and summative assessment tools and strategies to support language development across a range of settings. Critically reflect on current practice related to language development within their school.
Mode of Assessment	100% Continuous Assessment
Delivery Methods	Online (Please See Timetable)