

## ENGAGING YOUNG LEARNERS: CREATIVE METHODOLOGIES FOR PRIMARY TEACHERS

For practising primary educators who would like to gain some new ideas to aid them in the creation of interactive and engaging language lessons for their young learners

Minimum English Level Required: B1 on the CEFR

Accommodation Options: self-catering apartment/ residence or Host family (Prices and Information)

**Dates:** Courses are scheduled regularly throughout the year (see calendar)

**Location: Atlantic Language School**, Galway **Timetable:** Courses run for 5 days (**Monday to Friday**), 20 lessons per week + optional social programme

Price (2023):

Tuition: €400 Registration Fee: €55
End of Course Certificate included
Afternoon activities available to book at extra cost.



## **COURSE OUTLINE**

The Engaging Young Learners course is designed to assist educators who teach languages to young learners. The course will provide an overview of the latest methodologies in teaching this age group, an opportunity to explore new materials and have to make creativity a cornerstone of your teaching practice. You will work on some lesson materials personalized to your own teaching context which will be presented at the end of the week.

## **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Overall objectives of the mobility	<ul> <li>Find out about the latest methodologies in language learning.</li> <li>Evaluate digital materials that can be used in the primary classroom in a few simple steps.</li> <li>Discover new techniques to encourage production of key language.</li> <li>Learn how to incorporate creativity into all aspects of your language lesson.</li> </ul>				
Added value of the mobility	The course allows participants to share teaching practices with fellow participants from primary education.				
Activities to be carried out	<ul> <li>Completion of tasks to stimulate analysis and discussion of teaching methods and classroom practice.</li> <li>Workshop sessions in which participants reflect on their own practice, how they can integrate their observations into their teaching and share these with fellow participants.</li> <li>Opportunities to enhance their own language skills.</li> <li>Participants are directed towards online resources to further develop their teaching practice related to their own particular focus.</li> <li>Cultural and heritage trips as part of a chaperoned group.</li> </ul>				
Expected outcomes and impact	This course provides a professional development opportunity for participants which aims to provide teachers with new solutions when teaching in English.				



The seminar programmes are delivered in Atlantic Language School in Galway on Ireland's Wild Atlantic Coast, and participants will have ample opportunity to learn about the cultural heritage of both Ireland and the local area. The week-long programme includes a professional walking tour, a cultural outing, networking lunch, and a heritage trip, all integrated with course objectives.

The seminar also includes opportunities for ongoing networking and a cultural immersion in activities such as Irish Dance. Day trips are available to the splendid Aran Islands on Europe's edge or the Cliffs of Moher.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The Organiser, Atlantic Language, will provide required documents including:

- STT invitation
- EUROPASS
- Work Plan (on request)
- Certificate of Participation and Attendance
  - CEFR level certificate (on request)

**ORGANISATION ID: E10256058** 

SAMPLE TIMETABLE					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
09:00 - 12:30	09:00 – 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	
What is new in Language Learning Methodology?	How can we engage Digital Natives?	Why are my students so shy to speak?	How can I make my lessons more imaginative?	ldeas sharing + Feedback	
Evaluating language learning methodologies     Life Skills & Values Education for Children     Incorporating the 'Four C's' to the Young Learner classroom	<ul> <li>Using digital tools in the Young Learner classroom</li> <li>Recommended online resources for English lessons</li> <li>Create your own digital based activity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Our language learning journeys</li> <li>Creating optimal environments for production</li> <li>Speaking sub skills to build confident communicators</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adapting activities to motivate and engage your learners</li> <li>Creativity at different stages of the lesson</li> <li>Sources of inspiration + collaboration</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Peer Teaching</li> <li>Feedback &amp; Review</li> <li>Self-Assessment &amp; Planning Next Steps</li> </ul>	
13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	
Self study activities or Book activity eg. Walking Tour of Galway	Self study activities	Self study activities or Book a half-day excursion	Self study activities	Irish culture seminar (optional)	