

Resourcing the Religious Educator

MDI Summer School for Religious Educators (2)

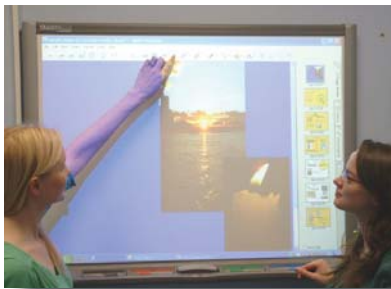
[June 16th - 18/19th 2009]

Summer School

The summer school will engage practicing teachers in reflecting on a range of resources, methodologies and skills suitable for Junior and Senior Cycle RE examination and non-examination classes. A variety of lecturers and speakers, internal and external to the Institute, will provide lectures, workshops and seminars relevant to teaching and learning RE today.

Themes

This summer school seeks to support the continuing professional development of religious educators. It offers practical engagement with crucial themes and questions in the contemporary RE classroom.



Topics include:

- JCRES Section A: Foundations of Christianity
- JCRES Section C: World Religions
- LCRES Section E: Religion and Gender
- LCRES Section H: The Bible: Literature and Sacred Texts
- LCRES Section F: Issues of Justice and Peace

Use of IT in the RE classroom:

- Interactive Whiteboard
- Movie Maker presentations
- Using PowerPoint creatively

Critical analysis of specific RE methodologies:

- Case Study
- Interpretation of Data

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the summer school, participants will be able to:

1. identify key theological, cultural and social contexts underlying the major themes of the Junior and Senior Cycle RE syllabi
2. critically evaluate the subject matter and relevance of specified topics within the JCRES and LCRES
3. explore a variety of methodologies and resources suitable for teaching RE
4. demonstrate a range of IT skills suitable for the RE classroom.

When does it take place?

This summer school is offered on campus at the Institute over 3 days for audit (CPD). It can also be taken as a module for credit by participating in a fourth morning on June 19th.

What do I receive upon completion?

Participants attending the course for audit will receive a certificate of attendance. Those attending for credit and who successfully complete module related reading and the approved module assignment will receive 10 credits which can contribute to a Postgraduate Award in Religion and Education.

Awards for which the 10 credits can be applied:

Graduate Certificate (30 credits = 3 modules)

Graduate Diploma (60 credits = 6 modules)

Master of Arts (90 credits = 6 modules + minor thesis)

[For a taught PG award participants may take a maximum of three modules by intensive summer schools. A maximum of two such modules may be taken outside of the context of formal registration for a PG award]

Further information on modules available on the Postgraduate Religion and Education programme can be found at:

www.materdei.ie

What are the entry requirements?

- Applicants should be teaching RE in a second level school.
- Applicants who wish to enroll for credit must meet the entry requirements of the programme (email admissions@materdei.dcu.ie).

How do I enroll for the Summer School?

Applications must be received by 13th May 2009. For further information contact:

Admissions Office,
Mater Dei Institute of Education,
Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3.

Tel: 01 808-6518 /

Email: admissions@materdei.dcu.ie

What are the fees?

- Audit Fee (CPD): €200
- Credit Fee: €395 *[Participants registering as a postgraduate student, no additional fee. The fee for a taught PG award shall be the 'normal fee' less the fees paid for the intensive summer school].*

Parking is free. Canteen facilities will be available each day.
(Map and accommodation information available on reverse)