

Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Leadership & Management (Future Leaders)



Maynooth University Department of Education is offering an exciting and innovative **Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Leadership & Management (Future Leaders)** for teachers at all levels who seek, or are currently in, leadership roles.

The **Future Leaders** programme includes a combination of practical skills and theoretical foundations to support preparation for leadership and management positions at all levels. The programme is designed & delivered by experienced leaders from a variety of professional education roles and has input from national and international academic/practitioner experts in the areas of educational leadership and management.

WHAT IS THE COURSE ABOUT?

- Building professional, leadership competencies & skills in an educational setting.
- Developing an understanding of personal strengths, attributes & values as ethical leaders.
- Exploring ranges of leadership models guided by academic theory and applications to practice.
- Introduction to practices of mentoring and coaching as core leadership competencies.
- Engaging in professional conversations & collaborative research to enhance leadership potential.
- Exploring the skills & strengths of leading people to discover how leaders implement change & innovation.
- Providing a critical understanding of the legal framework that applies to education and its impact on policy & practice.

LOCATION:

The course will be offered in the academic year 2018/19 in the following venues (times & days) subject to sufficient numbers.

| Venues | Day & Time |
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| Carrick On Shannon Education Centre | Wednesday 5pm-8pm |
| Laois Education Centre (Portlaoise) | Thursday 5pm-8pm |
| Maynooth University | Monday 5pm-8pm |
| North Dublin Centre (Drumcondra Area) | Tuesday 5pm-8pm |
| Tralee Education Centre | Monday 5pm-8pm |



WHAT ARE THE CAREER OPTIONS?

This Postgraduate Diploma is suitable for teachers who seek, or are currently in, leadership/management roles and who wish to progress their careers in this regard.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- (a) Applicants must have a recognised primary degree which is considered equivalent to Irish university primary degree level.
- (b) A teaching qualification or equivalent qualifications as appropriate to the applicant's field. *(In the absence of a teaching qualification, proof of current full registration with the Teaching Council showing the years of qualification may be considered).*
- (c) A minimum of 3 years full time, qualified teaching experience.

In order to be prepared to make an official application via the Postgraduate Application Centre (PAC), please have the following documents ready:

- ⇒ **Certified copies*** of all official transcripts of results showing date of conferral or degree/diploma parchments (Primary Degree, Teaching Qualification or Concurrent Degree including Teaching Qualification).
- ⇒ **Certified copy*** of birth certificate or valid passport.

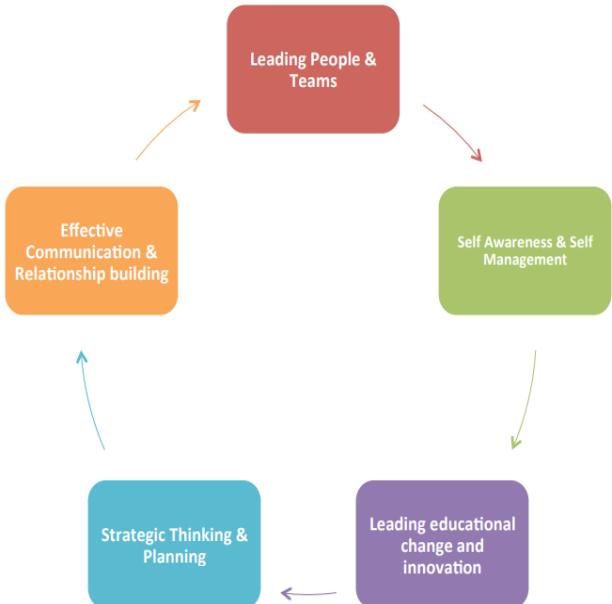
Please note: A *certified copy is a copy of an original document that has been verified as being a true copy after the original document has been sighted by an authorised person (member of An Garda Síochána, a Solicitor, or Commissioner for Oaths).

PROGRAMME DETAILS - WHAT WILL I STUDY?

The Diploma is offered at **Level 9** with **60 credits** and will be completed over **one year** on a **part-time** basis commencing in September 2018.

Modules include:

- ⇒ Leading and Managing Educational Innovation
- ⇒ Leadership for Enhancing Cultures of Communication
- ⇒ Participative Research as Leadership Practice
- ⇒ The Person and The Professional: Who am I as Leader?
- ⇒ Legal Contexts, Policy and Practice
- ⇒ Coaching and Mentoring in and as Leadership Practice



COURSE ASSIGNMENT STRUCTURE:

- **Continuous Assessment** with formative feedback and indicative grades throughout the year.
- **Variety of assessment methodologies** with a focus on the **skills and attributes** needed by **school leaders**.
- **Methodologies** include:
 - ⇒ Team Research Project—research as applicable to the school setting
 - ⇒ Team Research Presentation
 - ⇒ Individual Interview & Presentation
 - ⇒ Legal Case Study/Executive Reports/Communications Audit of your school
 - ⇒ Poster presentation
 - ⇒ Reflective Portfolio
 - ⇒ Active Coaching practice



ACCREDITATION:

The PGDELM qualification is a nationally and internationally recognised qualification from the National University of Ireland. It is a 60 credit, level 9 (Postgraduate Diploma) on the National Framework of Qualification.

FEES: €2,900 (plus student levy as applicable for 2018/19). For all payment information contact fees.office@mu.ie

HOW TO APPLY [PAC CODE: MH40G]:

Applications can be made via the Postgraduate Applications Centre (PAC) website www.pac.ie until **8th May 2018** using the PAC code **MH40G**.

Please note:

- Ensure you select your centre of choice from the drop down menu when making your application.
- Places on the programme will be limited. In the event of significant over subscription of completed & eligible applications: a) additional centres may be offered or b) applicants will be offered a place on the programme for academic year 2019-20.

CONTACT DETAILS:

If you have any questions relating to the above information please contact:

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