# **ERASMUS+**

# Language then Modern Methodologies for the Language Classroom

#### **Course Ref:**

TED 3.2 (Two weeks)

Minimum Entry Level CEFR English B1

**Daily Teaching Sessions** 

Monday to Friday

**Total course contact hours** 2 weeks: 42 hours

Maximum class size 15

#### **Course Provider:**

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## This course is of significant benefit to non-native teachers of English who:

- Need to deepen their own knowledge of the language
- Need to upskill their English language teaching techniques with students of all ages from aged 9+
- Wish to familiarise themselves with international best practice in foreign language training

## **Objectives**

- To familiarise participants with recent pedagogical and classroom technology developments
- To increase awareness of current trends in assessment for the language classroom
- To provide opportunities for reflection on their own practice
- To improve participants' confidence in their own lesson delivery
- To develop and consolidate participants' own language skills
- To promote awareness of contemporary Ireland
- To establish contacts between teachers from a variety of European backgrounds and facilitate future networking among these professionals.

#### **Preparation**

### Pre-course Preparative Modalities:

- Needs Analysis
- Pre-course information on free on-line resources for
- Pre-course cultural information
- Pre-Course general arrival information

#### **Practical Arrangements**

#### Intra-Course Modalities offered by the Course Provider

- Course Tutor
- Learning Materials
- Individual Formative Feedback
- Setting of learning objectives
- Feedback on progress and areas needing special attention
- Guidance and advice on homework exercises
- 24 hour emergency contact number
- Accommodation service
- Optional cultural visits

#### Follow up provided

#### **Post-Course Modalities**

- A Certificate of Attendance and Achievement
- Europass Mobility
- Post-Course Forum

# LANGUAGE then MODERN METHODOLOGIES

#### **TED 3.2 Course Topics**

#### **Intensive English**

Receptive and productive skills practice emphasising speaking and listening skills

Communicating effectively and flexibly through English in the real-world

Linguistic Competences: Grammatical, lexical and phonological

Strategic Competences: Interaction, compensation and repair

Pragmatic Competences: Functional language and discourse management

Fluency Development
Asking for and giving information
and opinions, expressing a point of
view, persuading, agreeing and
disagreeing

#### **Modern Methodologies**

Theory of language learning: Learner Autonomy Project Based Learning

Embedding Assessment into the Language Classroom

Using the internet as a resource, evaluating sites, apps and web tools

Communicative language games/activities

Creation of digital portfolio

Reading in the classroom - CLT and CLIL

Promoting speaking in the classroom. The CEFR

Developing the reading skill

Drama activities to develop communication skills



#### **Course Content**

The input sessions are a blend of theory and practice in ELT using lecture format and practical activities based on Communicative Language Teaching (CLT) methodology. Throughout the course, participants are encouraged to reflect on their own practice, consider alternative practices and try out a variety of classroom activities.

Week One Intensive English TED 130.1
Week Two Modern Methodologies for the Language Classroom TED 2.1

## **Sample Two Week Programme**

WEEK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
9:00 -10:50	Placement Test/Evaluation of Speaking Skills. Induction	Building linguistic, strategic and pragmatic competences.	Building linguistic, strategic and pragmatic competences	Building linguistic, strategic and pragmatic competences	Review & progress test. Consolidation of language/ further skills practice.			
Coffee Break								
11:10- 13:00	Introduction to class project. Building linguistic competences	Building linguistic, strategic and pragmatic competences	Building linguistic, strategic and pragmatic competences	Building linguistic, strategic and pragmatic competences	Public presentation of project. Feedback on learner outcomes.			
Lunch								
p.m. Visits	Self-guided cultural activities	Self-guided cultural activities	Self-guided cultural activities	Self-guided cultural activities	Self-guided cultural activities			

Sat and	INFORMAL LEARNING: Informal Learning. Self-guided research and optional cultural visits with guidelines					
Sun	from Twin English Centre, London					

WEEK 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
	Induction,	Review of theory in	Communicative	The internet as a	Embedding				
9:00	orientation and	language learning.	language games/	resource.	Assessment into				
-10:50	Information	Learner autonomy	activities	Evaluating sites	the Language				
	dissemination	in ELT		for educators	Classroom				
Coffee Break									
	Overview of	Early Irish history.	Activities to	Developing the	Using drama				
11:10-	methodology.	Use of reading in	promote speaking	reading skill -	activities to				
13:00	Creation of	the classroom - CLT	in the classroom.	using written	develop				
	digital portfolio	and CLIL	The CEFR	texts in the	communication				
				classroom	skills				
Lunch									
p.m.	Orientation	The National	National Botanic	GPO 1916	Self-guided				
Visits	tour of Dublin	Museum	Gardens	Museum	cultural visit				

#### **Outcomes**

- Enhancement of personal English Language skills
- Increased confidence in teaching all aspects of English language
- Greater understanding of students' needs
- Increased awareness of the use of technology in the classroom and the web as a teaching resource. A digital portfolio.
- Increased appreciation of learner autonomy, speaking and reading skills
- How to use drama activities to develop communication skills
- Increased awareness of current trends in assessment in the classroom and the implementation of self-assessment, peer assessment and self-reflection
- Sharing of experience/knowledge with professionals from a range of European countries
- Increased knowledge of Irish history and culture
- Knowledge of Erasmus+ potential for professional development