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## **Froebel Department of Primary and Early Childhood Education Master of Education (Research in Practice) MH54L**

The Maynooth University Froebel Department is named after Friedrich Froebel. Our programmes reflect his philosophy by incorporating active, student-centred approaches to our teaching.

The Master of Education (Research in Practice) explores Action Research in its many forms within educational settings. Participants will develop a deep theoretical understanding and critical awareness of practitioner research. The programme is underpinned by the philosophy of Froebel, his contemporaries and later scholars.



### **Who is the programme for?**

The programme is aimed primarily at candidates who are working in the Early Childhood Education sector.

### **Entry requirements**

As the Action Research study is based on practice, candidates are required to be in regular employment in educational settings.

Applicants must hold a level 8 degree in Early Childhood Education with a minimum grade level of 2:1.

In 2020-21, applicants must complete Modules ED671, ED672 and ED673 prior to commencing Modules EDF680-EDF684 in year 2 (2021-22).

## Module breakdown:

### Year 1

#### ED673 Contemporary Issues in Working with Families and Communities

Credits:10

Semester 1 & 2: 24 Contact Hours

#### ED672 Leadership and Mentoring in the Early Years Context

Credits:10

Semester 1 & 2: 24 Contact Hours

#### ED671 Play and Enquiry-Led Curriculum/Pedagogy

Credits:10

Semester 1 & 2: 24 Contact Hours

### Year 2

#### EDF680 Principles of Action Research

Credits:7.5

Semester 1: One-week late August Summer Course. 24Contact Hours

#### EDF681 Methodologies: Teacher as Researcher

Credits:7.5

Semester 1: 24 Contact Hours

#### EDF682 Teacher as Critically Reflective Practitioner

Credits:7.5

Semester 1: 24 Contact Hours

#### EDF683 Implications for Educational Improvement

Credits:7.5

Semester 2: 24 Contact Hours

#### EDF684 Dissertation: Action Research study

Credits:30

Semester 1 & 2

## How to apply:

Online application only through PAC, please select MH54L under Taught Programmes

<http://www.pac.ie/main.php?inst=mh&ln=e>

As part of the application process you will be required to upload the following:

- Transcripts.
- Evidence of Garda Clearance.
- Two references.

Closing date for receipt of completed online applications is April 12 2020

## Course Fees:

€10,100  
(90 Credits: Two year)

## Postgraduate open day:

March 10 2020 from 4-8pm

## Contact Us:

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