

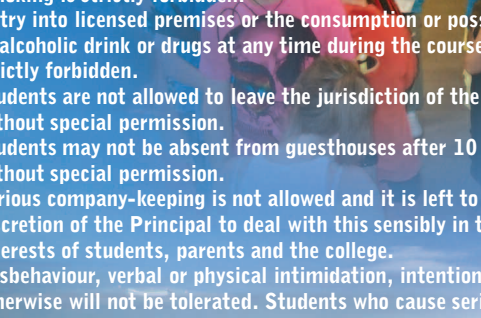


Ionad Agallaimh / *Interview centre of your choice*

Medical Card No.

An Rúnaí,  
Coláiste Chonnacht Teo.,  
An Spidéal,  
Co. na Gaillimhe.

The primary aim of our courses is to enable the students to achieve real progress in Irish in an atmosphere of relaxation and enjoyment. However, there are a few rules which have to be strictly, though fairly, enforced and we wish these to be brought to the students and parent's attention before coming to the College, since contravention of any of these will result in expulsion from the course and forfeiture of fees.

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1. Students must speak Irish throughout the course.
  2. Smoking is strictly forbidden.
  3. Entry into licensed premises or the consumption or possession of alcoholic drink or drugs at any time during the course is strictly forbidden.
  4. Students are not allowed to leave the jurisdiction of the college without special permission.
  5. Students may not be absent from guesthouses after 10 p.m. without special permission.
  6. Serious company-keeping is not allowed and it is left to the discretion of the Principal to deal with this sensibly in the best interests of students, parents and the college.
  7. Misbehaviour, verbal or physical intimidation, intentional or otherwise will not be tolerated. Students who cause serious disruption or who refuse to accept normal discipline will be expelled from the course.

**A 02/06/13 - 23/06/13**  
**B 26/06/13 - 18/07/13**  
**C 21/07/13 - 05/08/13**

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# Coláiste Chonnacht

Coláiste Chonnacht is situated in Spiddal, about 12 miles from Galway city. Irish Summer Courses have been held here since 1910. The college is set in its own grounds which include playing fields, basketball courts, tennis court and other sporting facilities. Nearby is Spiddal beach which is famous for its safe and clean swimming waters. The beach is supervised by a full time lifeguard during the summer.

## Lóistín // Mná Tí // Accommodation

All accommodation arrangements are made by our office staff. The students stay in houses which have to be approved by the **Dept. of the Gaeltacht** before being accepted by the college. The amount of space to be allocated to each student is determined by the Department's Inspector. Each student has a single bed.

## Agallaimh // Interviews

**Interviews are necessary for all first time applicants.** The purpose of the interviews is not only to determine the level of competency in Irish of the applicants but also to explain the regulations regarding the speaking of Irish during the course. Interviews will be held at convenient locations to parents/students and at least one parent/guardian is expected to attend with each applicant. Interview centres are arranged in places most convenient to parents.

## Labhairt na Gaeilge // Speaking Irish during the Course

The primary aim of these courses is to help the students achieve an adequate fluency in the Irish language and a better understanding of the life of the Irish-speaking community in the Gaeltacht. To ensure that parents and students get full value for money **we shall insist on strict observance of our guidelines regarding the speaking of Irish throughout the course.** Special help and encouragement will be given to students with little or no fluency in the language but a sincere effort can work wonders. Students who do not co-operate in this regard will be sent home without refund of fee as they deprive other students the opportunity of benefiting fully from the course.

## Táille // Fee

Cúrsa A & B €900. Cúrsa C €600. This covers full accommodation, tuition fees and local transport where and when necessary.

## Éarlais // Deposit €200

Balance to be paid at interview or forwarded on receipt of notice from the Coláiste.

- \* Balance can be paid in installments prior to interview. Full balance must be paid prior to commencement of course.
- \* Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to Coláiste Chonnacht. You can also pay by online bank transfer or credit card (details on our website).
- \* **Refunds: All applications for refund must be accompanied by a medical certificate. At least four weeks notice in writing of cancellation must be given before refund will be made. A registration and administration fee is non-refundable in all cases.** No refund can be made in the case of non-completion of course or in cases of dismissal from course.
- \* **Optional extras:**
  - Tour to Aran Islands
  - Watersports (Windsurfing, Kayaking and Paddleboarding)

## Foireann // Staff

The College is staffed by a Principal, Teachers and Ardchinnirí (senior student assistants). The ratio of students to staff averages 1:12. The **Department of Education** determines the qualifications and sanctions the appointment of staff. The courses are inspected regularly by the Department of Education inspectors. The majority of the staff are native Irish speakers and all staff are required to have suitable experience in teaching Irish to students of varying levels of competency.

## Cúrsaí // Courses

### 5th Year / Pre-Leaving Certificate Students on Cúrsa B and C

Intensive preparation for oral Irish examinations by teachers who are experienced examiners for these examinations. This course will be available on Cúrsa B and C.

### Junior Certificate Courses on Cúrsa A, B and C

The Junior Certificate course requires the student to have a good knowledge of spoken Irish. Our courses at Coláiste Chonnacht are prepared by teachers with the exam format in mind. We will place special emphasis on topics linked to the students own life and surroundings. This course will be available on Cúrsa A, B and C. Cúrsa A will cater for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year post primary students only.

### Special Course for Primary School Students on Cúrsa B & C

We prepare a special course for primary school students paying particular emphasis on students going into second level during the coming school year. This course will be available on Cúrsa B and C.

## Gnéithe Ginearálta // General Features

- **Céilí Dancing:** 4 nights per week. Instruction given by teachers.
- **Supervised Swimming:** safe, sandy beaches near colleges.  
Students are always accompanied by teachers on visits to the beach.

## Clothing and Travel Arrangements

It is very important that every student should **bring suitable waterproof clothing to the College** – windcheater, plastic mac or raincoat and headwear. Sportswear and musical instruments should also be brought and sports equipment (hurley, tennis racket etc.).

All particulars regarding travel to enable you to purchase tickets at special rates will be forwarded 14 days in advance of travel.

## Clár an Chúrsa // Daily Programme (Luan go Satharn)

10.00 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.: 4 formal Classes.

2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.: Outdoor Games, Competitions, Beach, etc.  
Special hurling/camogie course.

7.30 p.m. – 9 p.m.: Céilí, Sketches, Sing-Songs,  
Interhouse competitions.

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## FOIRM IARRATAIS / APPLICATION FORM

Ainm / *Name (Block Letters)* .....

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Seoladh / *Address (Block Letters)* .....

Fón do thí / *Home telephone* .....

*(or one at which you can be contacted)*

Fón póca / *Mobile No. Student* .....

Fón póca / *Mobile No. Parent* .....

Rphoist / *Email Student* .....

Rphoist / *Email Parent* .....

Dáta Breithe / *Date of Birth* .....

*(Students must be between 10-18 years of age on 1/7/13)*

Scoil / *School* .....

Seoladh / *Address* .....

Rang / *Class* .....

Ainm an Mhúinteora Gaeilge / *Name of Irish Teacher?*

Cúrsa atá uait / *Choice of Course*

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Teach Lóistín / *Guesthouse of your choice if there is room.*

*(to be completed only by past pupils)*

*(Preferred Guesthouse cannot be guaranteed)*

**Cara amháin** a bheidh ag fanacht leat

**Name of one friend you wish to be accommodated with.**

*If parents are away during course state the name and telephone number of person **who would be responsible** for child / children in case of emergency.*

Name .....

Telephone .....

**Síniú an Tuismitheora / Caomhnóra**

*(Signature of Parent / Guardian denoting acceptance of College Rules)*

Dáta / *Date* .....