



Ashling Murphy Scholarship Terms and Conditions

1 Ashling Murphy Scholarship

- 1.1 One scholarship will be awarded to a first-year undergraduate student enrolled on a teacher education (primary) programme (B Ed/B Ed Gaeltacht Entry Route/B Ed International/B Ed in Education and Psychology) in their year of entry to Mary Immaculate College.
- 1.2 The scholarship is a one-off bursary to the value of €4,000, jointly funded by the INTO and MIC.
- 1.3 The scholarship is for duration of the academic year in which the scholarship is awarded.

2 Application Form

- 2.1 Applicants are required to complete an online application form available at: www.mic.ie/scholarships
- 2.2 The closing date for applications is 1 September on the year of application.

3 Application Procedure Ashling Murphy Scholarship

To be considered for the Ashling Murphy Scholarship applicants:

- 3.1 Must place at least one of the following B Ed programmes as their number one choice on their CAO application: MI004/MI005/MI006/MI008
- 3.2 Are required to apply directly to MIC for the scholarship via an online application form, quoting their CAO Number.
- 3.3 Are required to provide a video recording which demonstrates their excellent technical proficiency in one or more Irish traditional musical instruments.
 - 3.3.1 The total length of the video recording should not exceed 3 minutes.
 - 3.3.2 Only one video recording per applicant can be uploaded
 - 3.3.3 Acceptable video formats would be: .mp4 and .mov files
 - 3.3.4 The video recording must isolate and highlight the applicant's performance; group performances that obscure the ability to assess an individual's level of talent will not receive evaluation.

3.3.5 All files uploaded must follow the following naming convention: *lastname-firstname-CAOnumber*

- 3.4 Must meet the Assessment Criteria (see Section 4).
- 3.5 Must meet all the necessary entry requirements for their chosen programme.
- 3.6 Must accept their CAO place and fully register on their chosen programme in the same year of scholarship application.

4 Assessment Criteria

The following assessment criteria will apply. Applicants must demonstrate/show evidence of:

- 4.1 Excellent technical proficiency in one or more Irish traditional musical instruments. (30%)
- 4.2 Experience in various Irish traditional music solo and ensemble performance contexts e.g. live performance, broadcast etc. (30%)
- 4.3 Strong interest in education and teaching young people in the area of Irish traditional music, with evidence of same. (20%)
- 4.4 Passion for community and contributing to society, particularly through Irish traditional music education. (20%)

5 Adjudication Process Ashling Murphy Scholarship

MIC has a dedicated Ashling Murphy Scholarship Committee, made up of members from MIC and the INTO, who will consider and oversee the application process.

- 5.1 The Committee will review all applications and create a shortlist of suitable applicants who will be invited for interview following the application deadline of 1 September.
- 5.2 The decision of the Committee is final. Canvassing will lead to disqualification.
- 5.3 A letter of offer will be forwarded to the successful applicant of the Ashling Murphy Scholarship following the interviews.

6 Responsibilities for the awardee of the Ashling Murphy Scholarship

- 6.1 The awardee is expected to act as an ambassador for MIC and the INTO in terms of their music participation and other activities as requested by the College and the INTO for the year in which they hold the scholarship.
- 6.2 The successful applicant is expected to attend and represent MIC and/or the INTO at a minimum of three promotional events in the year the scholarship is granted.
- 6.3 The awardee will be expected to attend at least one INTO event, and to contribute an article on their experience for INTO publications
- 6.4 The successful applicant must at all times adhere to MIC's Code of Student Conduct and never engage in any activity, which may potentially bring the College and/or the INTO into disrepute. MIC and INTO jointly retain the right to withdraw the scholarship should the recipient be found to be in breach of the MIC's Code of Student Conduct.

6.5 In the event that the successful applicant is unable to undertake these responsibilities in the year for which the scholarship is offered, the recipient will be required to complete all ambassadorial duties at a later date.

MIC is required to disclose to Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI) all funding provided by the College to students that have applied for a SUSI grant. Depending on the type of funding granted to students by the College, SUSI may include it as reckonable income in their determination of SUSI grants.

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