



Four Year B.Ed. and B.Ed. & Psychology

In the four year B. Ed programmes *professional placement* occurs over four years and positions the classroom and school as places to learn *to* teach and to learn *about* teaching. Professional Placement is scheduled in the Spring semester of Year 2 as outlined below. The placement includes designated class teaching and participation in whole-school learning initiatives.

Professional Placement Year 2, 2019/2020

Professional Placement 3: Monday April 20th - Friday May 22nd, 2020

3rd – 6th class

- Six week placement
- The student is based in a school of his/her choice and in a class level between 3rd and 6th
- It is a non-partnered placement
- The placement combines whole class teaching of the selected class for three weeks as well as structured participation in school-wide teaching and learning initiative.

- **Teaching schedule**
 - Week 1 (April 6-10): Independent preparation week

 - Week 2 & 3 : Observing, assisting and participation in whole-school work including participation in initiatives such as Aistear, Team Teaching etc.

 - Weeks 4 – 6 : Teaching selected class

- **Teaching focus**
 - Students will teach all areas of the curriculum (topics to be agreed with the teacher)

 - Incrementally increasing teaching schedule

- **Co-operating teacher's role**
 - Facilitating the student's observation and teaching and providing informal non-evaluative feedback.
 - Guidance to be provided to all co-operating teachers.

- **College tutor** to visit and assess students on placement (Graded A1 – F)

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