

HUMANISING TESTING

Course dates
3 July - 9 July

Course fees
€780

Course location
University of Limerick

Target audience

This course is suitable for both experienced and inexperienced teachers and teacher trainers.

You need an Intermediate (B2) level of English or above to participate in this course.

Course summary

In this one-week course we will investigate different forms of assessment and different types of tests. We will examine the features of a good, valid test, in accordance with the principles of humanistic teaching, but also in agreement with school curricula and official exam requirements. Participants will have the opportunity to experiment with a number of tools for test development, develop and modify different types of tests and use their potential to enhance learning and motivation.



Course content

Teaching, assessment and testing

Formative and summative assessment

Validity and backwash

Assessing skills: speaking, listening writing, reading, chances and challenges

Creating own tests

Use of CEFR rubrics

Developing teacher's own rubrics

Test development procedure

Evaluation and feedback

Training self-assessment

Developing portfolios

Assessing mediation skills

Sample Programme

Please note this is an example of a daily programme. Course content may often be usefully adapted to incorporate the needs of each group member.

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00-10.30	Needs analysis	Validity and backwash	The CEFR rubrics	Developing different types of tests: tools and procedures	Training self-assessment
11.00-12.30	Teaching and testing	Validity and backwash	Assessing skills	Developing different types of tests: tools and procedures	Developing portfolios
14.00-15.30	Types of assessment	The importance of feedback	Modification of rubrics and designing own grids	Assessing mediation skills	Course review, including feedback and farewells

Type of certification awarded

Attendance certificate detailing topics covered, course content and the number of training hours.



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