



**Keith Hannigan**  
*Business and Economics Teacher*

Keith Hannigan was educated in O'Connells CBC and graduated from Trinity College Dublin in 1994. He worked in management

for a number of years. He has taught higher level Business and Economics for 12 years and was part of the management team in his previous school. He has featured on numerous radio exam preparation programmes and has been a contributor to both the Business and Economics Irish Independent exam brief.



**James Campbell**  
*Geography and Economics Teacher*

James graduated from UCD with a degree in Geography and Economics and a Higher Diploma in Education. He is Head of the

Geography Department in Blackrock College. He is the author of two Leaving Certificate Geography Revision books and co-author of the very successful Revise Wise Geography text for Junior Certificate students. He is currently working on a Leaving Certificate text for the revised Geography syllabus. His Transition Year students produce a highly acclaimed yearly magazine 'Greenwatch' which highlights damage done to the environment at the local, national and international level. He is passionate about his subjects and his infectious enthusiasm and dedication instils in his students a great love for Geography and Economics with outstanding results.



**Donal Power**  
*Agricultural Science Teacher*

Educated in St. Kieran's College Kilkenny. Donal graduated in 2004 from UCD with a 1.1 degree in Agricultural

Science and subsequently completed a Masters Degree in Agricultural Science. Donal has previously lectured in Agri-business and Agricultural Economics in UCD.

Donal also teaches students about agricultural policy on the IAVI/DIT property studies courses. He has been teaching Agricultural Science in the Institute for the past 5 years and is a regular contributor to RTÉ radio pre exam analysis.



**Agueda Hernandez**  
*Spanish Teacher*

Agueda has taught Leaving Certificate Spanish in the Institute of Education since 1986. She graduated from the University of Salamanca, with

an honours degree in Educational Science. In 1981 Agueda was retained by the Spanish Department in Trinity College Dublin to prepare Leaving Certificate Spanish teachers for the introduction of the Oral element of the Spanish exam. Agueda was responsible for the Leaving Certificate Exam practice articles published by Authentik (1999-2001). Agueda brings passion and an intellectual rigour to the teaching of Spanish at Leaving Certificate.



**Cathy Sweeney**  
*English Teacher*

Cathy Sweeney graduated from Trinity College Dublin with an Honours Degree in English. She also holds a Masters Degree in Education. Cathy has a wide experience of

teaching English at Leaving Certificate level and of correcting the state exam papers. She has also won awards for her short stories and has published work in literary journals and on radio.



**Ray O'Loughlin**  
*Accounting and Economics Teacher*

Ray O'Loughlin B. Comm. H.D.E. has been teaching Accounting and Economics on a full-time basis in the

Institute since 2005, having previously taught for over 25 years in a co-ed secondary school. During this time he coached senior Gaelic football, subsequently introduced and coached Rugby winning the Connacht Senior Cup in 2004/05. He has written a number of articles for various publications both local and national during his years of teaching including Exam Brief for the last 2 years.

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Consultant to Authentic  
*"French Listening Comprehension and Oral Practice"*

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Dictionary of Biology (Folens)  
Laboratory Manual for Mandatory Practicals – Biology (Folens)

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*Revise Wise Geography for Junior Certificate*

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*Senior Geography Discovery Geography*

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*Rapid Revision Home Economics*

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*The Kite* (short stories for Junior Certificate)

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*Nation States and International Tensions 1871-1920* (Leaving Certificate)

*Dictatorships and Democracy 1920-1945* (Leaving Certificate)

*Division and Realignment in Europe 1945-1992* (Leaving Certificate)

*Co-author of Uncovering History* (Junior Certificate)

**Michael Doran**

*Movements for Political and Social Reform 1870-1914* (Leaving Certificate History Book)

**Dorothea Finan**

*Guide to Macbeth* (Folens)

*Guide to Hamlet* (Folens)

*Guide to King Lear* (Folens)

Words Leaving Certificate English Paper 1 (Celtic Press)

**Corinne Gavenda**

Former editor of *Authentic* magazine and tape. Worked in close collaboration with France Inter to compile material for language classes.

**Clare Grealy**

*Ar an taobh eile den scamall* (co-author with Conor Bowman)

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Leaving Certificate Exam Practice Questions

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**Micheal O'Ruairc**

*Revise Wise* (Irish Leaving Certificate)

*Fiuntas 2* (Leaving Certificate)

*Irish Revision Handbook* (Junior Certificate)

*Irish Revision Handbook* (Leaving Certificate)

*Aoibhneas Gnathleibheal*

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*Diogras*

*Stair na Gaeilge*

Editor of *Foinse sa Rang*

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*Biology Experiments* (Edco)

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*Leaving Certificate Higher Maths Volumes 1 & 2*

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**Clare Grealy**  
*Irish Teacher*

Clare Grealy was educated at Notre Dame de Missions, Churchtown and graduated from U.C.D. with a degree in Irish and Politics. Clare has assisted in researching in the Irish language and has helped in the translation of a number of texts into Irish. She also assisted in the setting up of Irish language websites and has been involved in teaching Irish to students of all nationalities who wish to study for the Law Society exams in Blackhall place.



**Carole Oiknine**  
*French Teacher*

After completing her university studies in Paris VII University, Carol taught A-Level French in Belfast for one year. She then taught French in Dublin at various levels, including Leaving Certificate Higher Level, adult education and business French to Post-Leaving Certificate students, before joining the Institute of Education in 1994. Carol now teaches both fifth and sixth year students and believes that students benefit enormously from attending the two-year course.



**Jim Lusby**  
*English Teacher*

Jim Lusby first started teaching Leaving Certificate English in 1975. He is also a novelist, short story writer and playwright. He is a former winner of a Hennessy Literary Award for his short stories and his novels include *Making the Cut* (adapted by RTÉ as a television series) and, most recently, *Serial*. He is a regular contributor to annual *Exam Brief* and 2FM's annual Leaving Certificate programme 'Countdown to 606'.



**Orla Ní Shúilleabháin**  
*German Teacher*

Orla graduated with an Honours H. Dip. From U.C.D. in 1984. She has been teaching German at the Institute of Education since 1985. She contributes to *Exam Brief*

and a number of exam lines, and has contributed to R.T.É. Radio's post-exam analysis over the years. Orla assisted her former pupil Grace Martin in obtaining 1st place in Ireland for a scholarship to study German in Germany.



**Pat Doyle**  
*Physics Teacher*

Pat Doyle has taught Physics in the Institute of Education since 1982. Pat is a graduate of UCD and after several years of teaching he decided to pursue a Masters Degree. He graduated in 1986 with a Masters Degree in Applied Physics from UCD. He writes the annual *Exam Brief* in Physics for the Irish Independent. He features on the yearly RTÉ Radio 1 and 2FM live phone-in programmes offering help and advice for Leaving Certificate students.



**Mícheál Ó Ruairc**  
*Irish Teacher*

Mícheál graduated with a B.A., H.D.E. from UCC and later obtained a Master's degree (First-Class Hons) in Nua-Ghaeilge from Maynooth University. Edco has published more than 20 of his school textbooks. His most recent publication *Revise Wise Irish*, a Revision Book for the Leaving Certificate Higher Level Students, is a best seller. He is also the author of three collections of poetry and seven novels in the Irish Language.

He has vast experience at teaching the Irish language and works in conjunction with **Comhar na Muinteoiri Gaeilge** in giving seminars to teachers and students on different aspects of the Leaving Certificate Course. He also writes articles regularly for **Dreimire**, **Ceim** and **Foinse sa Rang**. His poems have been included in many Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate school anthologies.



**Corinne Gavenda**  
*French Teacher*

Corinne took her primary degree in La Sorbonne, Paris, before coming to Ireland to take her Masters and Higher Diploma in Education from Trinity

College in Dublin. She is former editor of the French magazine and tapes *Authentic*, and worked in close collaboration with France Inter to compile material suitable for language classes. Corinne worked with the Department of Education giving in-service training to schools around the country when Oral French was originally introduced onto the syllabus of the Leaving Certificate. She has been teaching French in the Institute of Education since 1984 and is a regular contributor to the Irish Independent *Exam Brief* supplement.



**Aidan Roantree**  
*Mathematics Teacher*

Aidan Roantree is the Senior Mathematics Teacher at the Institute. As the author of twelve major maths textbooks, and a number of other booklets, he is acquainted with every detail of the maths course. He is also the editor of *Science Plus*, the acclaimed magazine for Leaving Certificate students of maths and science, and has contributed to the Irish Independent *Exam Brief* supplement.



**Denis Creaven**  
*English Teacher*

An honours graduate of N.U.I. from Co. Galway, Denis taught English for more than 25 years at Oatlands College, Mount Merrion. Denis has been

teaching part-time at the Institute of Education since the seventies. Now, having taken early retirement from Oatlands College, he teaches full-time at the Institute. In addition to his teaching duties, Denis is also involved in the pastoral care aspect of education: he is a student welfare officer in the Institute. Denis believes that the whole learning experience should be lively, entertaining and enjoyable. He concurs absolutely with Mr. Kearns' maxim that "boring teaching is bad teaching".



**Seán Delap**  
*History Teacher*

Seán Delap teaches History at the Institute of Education. He is a regular contributor to both the Leaving Certificate and Junior Certificate sections of the Irish Independent *Exam Brief* supplement and RTÉ exam Programmes. He has also given talks at 6th form student seminars organised by the History Teachers Association of Ireland and has lectured at conferences on teaching History through Irish. He is the author of several Leaving Certificate history text books.



**Diarmaid Ó Tuama**  
*Irish Teacher*

Diarmaid Ó Tuama has taught Gaeilge at the Institute of Education since 1974. Having worked part-time in the earlier years, he joined our full-time staff in 1998. Prior to joining the full-time staff at the Institute, he was on the staff of Clonkeen College, Blackrock for twenty four years. He is the author of more than twenty five school books, as well as of *Trátaí Úra* a collection of short stories. He spends his summers in Gaoth Dobhair, where he works as *Príomhoide* in Coláiste Cholmcille, a popular Coláiste Samhraidh. He is also editor of *Foinse sa Rang*, a special supplement for Leaving Certificate students in the weekly newspaper *Foinse*.



**Michael Doran**  
*Geography and History Teacher*

Michael Doran has been teaching Geography and History at the Institute of Education since 1995. He has experience in correcting

the Leaving Certificate Geography Higher Level Exam. Michael has also contributed to articles on Geography for Schools and Colleges magazine published by C. J. Fallon. He believes that the new Geography course for the Leaving Certificate offers students a good opportunity to develop an interest in Geography. Michael is the author of *Movements for Political and Social Reform 1870-1914* (Irish History text book for the Leaving Certificate).



**Michael O'Callaghan**  
*Biology Teacher*

Michael O'Callaghan graduated from U.C.D. with a B.Sc. (Hons). He received a M.E.d. in T.C.D. in 1991. He is a member of the Irish Science Teachers' Association and

is a chartered biologist (C. Biol., M.I. Biol.) with the Institute of Biology, London. He has taught biology at the Institute of Education since 1978. He also taught in St. Davids CBSA, Artane for 30 years. He is the author of the Leaving Certificate textbook *Biology*, co-author of the Junior Certificate text, Science Probe, and a regular contributor to *Science Plus* and the *Exam Brief*.



**Serge Berot** *French Teacher*

After graduating in English, French, Linguistics and Journalism in the University of Toulouse in 1969, Serge did his military service for a year in the paratroopers in Tarbes and Pau in the South of France. He came to Ireland 25 years ago where he did his Higher Diploma in Education in U.C.D. He has been teaching French in the Institute for 18 years to Higher Level Leaving Certificate students. Serge was a Consultant to *Authentic for French Listening Comprehension and Oral Practice* which is currently in bookshops.



**Susan Cashell**  
*History Teacher*

Susan is a graduate of Trinity College where she read History and completed her Higher Diploma in education. She is the Higher History Leaving Certificate expert for the Irish Times and gives lectures to the History Teachers Association throughout Ireland and seminars for Sixth formers on the new syllabus for Leaving Certificate Higher History. She is an experienced examiner at Leaving Certificate Level.



**Mona Murray**  
*Science Teacher*

Mona graduated from U.C.D. with an Honours Science Degree, majoring in Biology. She has been teaching full-time in the Institute for many years, inculcating a love of the subject in her students with outstanding success.



**William Murphy**  
*Business Teacher*

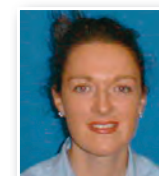
William graduated with a B.A. (Hons) from DCU and a B.Comm. (Hons) from UCD. He has taught Leaving Certificate Business since 1990. William previously taught

accounting in DCU and has extensive experience lecturing throughout Ireland for a number of professional accountancy bodies including the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland. He currently lectures in Taxation at the National College of Ireland. In addition to writing the *Exam Brief*, he is a regular contributor to radio programmes on Leaving Certificate Business.



**Tara Lyons** *Science Teacher*

Tara Lyons, B.Sc., H.Dip.Ed., has taught Higher Level Chemistry and Biology to Leaving Certificate level for twelve years. She has contributed to newspaper articles on the Chemistry and Biology papers for the Leaving Certificate. One of her students achieved 1st In Ireland in Chemistry in the 2006 Leaving Certificate.



**Sandra Cleary**  
*Home Economics Teacher*

Sandra Cleary graduated with a B.Ed. (Hon) in Home Economics from Sion Hill. She has been teaching in The Institute of Education since 1991. Sandra also spent 2 years teaching in the Dublin College of Catering and was assistant to Mairín Uí Chomáin for the RTÉ cookery series "Cuisine le Mairín". She has contributed articles to the Irish Independent *Exam Brief* since 1993.



**Jim Carberry**  
*Geography Teacher*

Jim Carberry has been teaching Geography in The Institute of Education for over 15 years. He graduated from UCD in 1970. He is the author of *Senior Geography* and *Discovering Geography* which are widely used in classrooms throughout Ireland. He has also been the author of the Geography section of the Irish Independent *Exam Brief* since its inception. A former student of his at The Institute of Education was awarded the Gwendolyn Hurst medal for the joint highest marks in Geography in the Leaving Certificate 2000.