



Professional Masters of Education - School Placements

In the Professional Masters of Education programme, *school placement* occurs over two years and positions the classroom and school as places to learn *to* teach and to learn *about* teaching. A School Placement is scheduled in each semester of Year 2 as outlined below and this information is presented to elicit your participation in the placements.

Year 2 School Placements

Infant Classes & Extended Placement

School Placement 3: Infant Placement - November - December 2017

- **STUDENTS SOURCE A CLASS FOR THIS PLACEMENT THEMSELVES**
- Non Partnered placement in Infant Classes
- November 13th – December 1st 2017
(Observation Days Friday October 13th & 20th & 27th & Monday Nov. 6th)

PME SP3 combines observation and whole class teaching. The student teaches all areas of the primary school curriculum is visited by a school placement tutor on a minimum of three occasions throughout the placement.

Extended Placement: 15th January – 23rd March 2018

- **STUDENTS SOURCE A CLASS FOR THIS PLACEMENT THEMSELVES**
- Assisting in infant classes (2 weeks)
- Structured Whole School activities (2 weeks)
- Teaching one class for four weeks

The Extended Placement is non-partnered in the whole school: Students take a whole school approach to this placement, and will engage more centrally with SEN issues for PME SP4 and is based in a class for SP5.

- Whole school work centred on four Strands
 - Strand 1: SEN
 - Strand 2 : Team Teaching
 - Strand 3 : Curriculum Focus
 - Strand 4 : Base-class observation
- Two College tutors to visit and assess students on the Extended Placement
- Class teacher facilitating students' observation and teaching and providing informal non-evaluative feedback.

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