

Course descriptions

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2026/2027	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Arts	
Course ID: FiF.KAA/A-buAN-225/26	Course title: Irish Language and Culture 3
Educational activities: Type of activities: seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 per level/semester: 28 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 3	
Recommended semester: 1., 3.	
Educational level: I., II.	
Prerequisites: FiF.KAA/A-buAN-223/24 - Irish Language and Culture 1 or FiF.KAA/A-buAN-224/24 - Irish Language and Culture 2	
Course requirements: Interim Evaluation - Attendance – 10% - Active participation in class and in Irish Studies events – 10% - In-class culture test – 20% Final Evaluation: - In-class final language exam – 60% Grading Scale: 0-60-68-76-84-92-100 % = FX-E-D-C-B-A Up to 2 absences are allowed without the need for documentation. Violations of academic ethics will be penalized with a reduction in grade and may result in disciplinary proceedings. Scale of assessment (preliminary/final): 40/60 (%)	
Learning outcomes: Irish Language and Culture 3 is a course for students who have completed either Irish Language and Culture 1 or Irish Language and Culture 2. The course provides interested students with the opportunity to further develop their communicative competencies in Irish towards achieving an A2 level at the CEFR. Irish Language and Culture 3 aims to give students: - a further developed vocabulary in line with an A1/A2 level at the CEFR. - a improved working knowlede of basic Irish grammar and sentence formation. - an ability to form basic grammatical sentences involving various parts of speech (prepositions, pronouns, nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, etc.) - funtional language related further areas required for the A2 Level according to the CEFR. Irish Language and Culture 3 aims to introduce students to a broadened range of topics related to Gaelic Culture in Ireland, and aims to give students: - an informed understanding of a broad range of topics related to Gaelic culture in Ireland, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A selection of Irish-Language contemporary culture in film, literature, and music. • Myth, legend, and folklore. 	

- Issues around identity and minority language rights in Ireland and elsewhere

Class syllabus:

1.
 - Review of language introduced in Irish Language 1.
2.
 - An tAinm Briathartha. Talking about current actions and pastimes I.
 - An Aimsir Láithreach. The present habitual tense.
3.
 - An Aimsir Chaite: The Past Tense
 - Giving accounts and narratives. Storytelling.
4.
 - An tAinm Briathartha. Talking about current actions and pastimes III.
5.
 - Likes and Dislikes II.
 - Antoine Ó Raifteiri – Playing music to empty pockets – Gaelic Culture in the Early-Modern Period
6.
 - Talking About sickness. Going to the doctor
7.
 - An tAinm Briathartha IV. Purpose and cause.
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 - Food and Drink.
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 - In-class presentations
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Recommended literature:

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Languages necessary to complete the course:

Participation in the course requires a command of English at least at the B2+ level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

Notes:

Past grade distribution

Total number of evaluated students: 0

A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX
0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0

Lecturers: James O'Conaill
Last change: 17.05.2026
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Number of credits: 3	
Recommended semester: 1., 3.	
Educational level: I., II.	
Prerequisites: FiF.KAA/A-buAN-223/24 - Irish Language and Culture 1 or FiF.KAA/A-buAN-226/26 - Irish Language and Culture 4	
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4.
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5.
- My background and where I live.
6.
- My background and where I live II
7.
- The House
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