

Gaelic (beginners) National 4 Campus Course

What are the aims of this course?

The course aims to give you an accelerated introduction to the language and to its culture.

What are the recommended entry levels for this course?

For National 4 you should have done a Modern Language at least until the end of S2.

What content is included in this course?

You will learn to use and understand Gaelic on a range of topics in the contexts of Society, Learning, Employability and Culture.

What skills will I develop?

You will learn to understand simple spoken and written Gaelic and to communicate your ideas in speaking and writing.

What learning and teaching approaches will I experience?

In common with other languages, your teacher will use a range of resources, including listening activities. A series of useful textbooks are sometimes used in addition to printed notes. A measure of old-fashioned vocabulary learning is, of course, required, but candidates are encouraged to experiment with different learning techniques, for example, recording themselves, preparing for regular class quizzes and attempting to apply familiar vocabulary to new contexts.

How will I be assessed?

You will be given regular feedback on your work and on how you can develop your skills further. You will sit Unit Assessments for reading, listening, writing, and talking. You will complete an Added Value Unit which includes reading, listening and talking.

What are the homework requirements?

You will be expected to look over all new vocabulary which is introduced in class. Home study also involves preparation for assessments. It is essential that deadlines are met.

What are the possible progression routes?

You will be able to progress from National 4 to National 5 in S6 if you are making good progress.