

LETTER CIRCULAR - Institute for Education

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From: Joanne Grima – CEO

To the attention of: Heads (College Network), Heads of Schools, Assistant Heads, Assistant Directors, Education Officers, Heads of Department, Teachers and Sections

Subject: Award in Educational Neuroscience (Code: EN/01/2020)

Application Link: <https://ife.portal.gov.mt/programme/apply?keywords=EN/01/2020>

Deadline: Noon, 30th October 2020

Fee: N/A

The Institute for Education is accepting applications submitted online for the **Award in Educational Neuroscience (MQF Level 6, 10 ECTS)** commencing **6th January 2021** through online synchronous live and asynchronous sessions. All synchronous live sessions are held between 15:30 and 18:15.

Course Details

Through this programme, participants will be given the opportunity to develop their understanding of ways in which cognitive neuroscience can inform their decisions to further improve the educational and learning experience. The programme will introduce participants to concepts of genetics and brain science. Participants will explore various processes in the brain including executive functioning, attention, working memory, and the retrieval and transfer of knowledge. In doing so, they will analyse and interpret several studies related to cognition and learning to infer changes to better support learners. Following this, participants will observe cognitive and language development from the early stages of life up to adolescence and adulthood including typical and atypical development. In turn, this will lead to further research on the application of neuroscience to classroom practice and how various studies have shown how to harness this development and direct it to improve learning.

More information about the course can be found at:

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Minimum Entry Requirements

The entry requirements are as follows:

1. A fully awarded MATSEC Certificate at MQF Level 4, or equivalent; OR
2. A full MQF Level 4 qualification preferably in the area of Education with a minimum of 120 ECTS, or equivalent; OR
3. An MQF Level 5 Certificate in Facilitating Inclusive Education with a minimum of 30 ECTS.

Timetable

Mode of delivery (Synchronous Asynchronous)	Date (2021)	Module	Session
Sync	Wed, 6 Jan	The Brain and Genetics: An Introduction to Educational Neuroscience (3 ECTS)	1
Async	Wed, 13 Jan	The Brain and Genetics: An Introduction to Educational Neuroscience	2
Sync	Wed, 20 Jan	The Brain and Genetics: An Introduction to Educational Neuroscience	3
Sync	Wed, 27 Jan	Cognitive Neuroscience and Learning (4 ECTS)	1
Async	Wed, 3 Feb	Cognitive Neuroscience and Learning	2
Async	Tue, 9 Feb	Cognitive Neuroscience and Learning	3
Sync	Wed, 24 Feb	Cognitive Neuroscience and Learning	4
Sync	Wed, 3 Mar	Developmental Neuroscience (3 ECTS)	1
Async	Wed, 10 Mar	Developmental Neuroscience	2
Sync	Wed, 17 Mar	Developmental Neuroscience	3

Submission of Applications

Interested applicants are kindly asked to submit an online application through following the link: <https://ife.portal.gov.mt/programme/apply?keywords=EN/01/2020> by noon (Central European Time) of **30th October 2020**. Places are limited to twenty-five (25) eligible applicants.

Thank you.

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