



## Tutors required for NCTE national summer courses

The NCTE in collaboration with the Education Centre network is currently inviting suitably qualified teachers to train as NCTE tutors for the following new summer courses for teachers:

1. Using ICT for literacy and numeracy in the Infant Classroom
2. Scratch programming and Numeracy in Senior Primary Classes (NCTE/LERO)

Applicants must be primary teachers and possess excellent ICT skills – please see detailed criteria for each course below. Applicants will need to be available to attend the relevant tutor training, which may take place within or outside of school hours (*substitute cover will be provided if required for training within school hours*).

To apply:

1. Ensure you meet with the tutor general criteria and course specific criteria outlined below
2. Download and read the tutor agreement
3. Download and complete the tutor application form
4. Send the completed application form to your local education centre

**NB: Please do not send applications to NCTE.**

Education centres will assess applications received and depending on their own requirements will nominate tutors to attend the relevant NCTE tutor training course. If the number of successful applicants exceeds the number of tutors required for these courses, the relevant applicants' details will be kept on file by local education centres for future ICT training requirements that may exist.

**NB: As education centres are currently planning their summer course delivery applications should be made as soon as possible.**

If you are an **existing NCTE tutor** and would like to train as a tutor for one of the courses listed above please contact your local education centre to notify them of your interest. Please note this does not guarantee that a place will be available to you on the tutor training programme.

### Tutor Criteria

#### *General Criteria (for all NCTE national courses)*

Applicants must:

- Be a qualified and experienced primary or post-primary teacher
- Have extensive experience of integrating ICT in learning and teaching
- Have a broad and advanced range of ICT skills across a range of applications and technologies
- Be an excellent communicator

Desirable criteria (not essential)

- Some experience of training/lecturing in an adult learning environment
- Ability and willingness to train other ICT tutors in the future
- Ability and willingness to deliver courses through the medium of Gaeilge

### ***Additional criteria for summer 2012 tutors***

#### 1. Using ICT for Literacy and Numeracy in the Infant Classroom

In addition to the general criteria above, applicants must:

- Be a qualified and experienced **primary** teacher
- Have at least one year's experience of teaching an infant class

#### 2. Scratch programming and Numeracy in Senior Primary Classes (NCTE/Lero)

In addition to the general criteria above, applicants must:

- Be a qualified and experienced primary teacher
- Be an experienced user of Scratch, particularly in a classroom environment

Application forms available on [www.ncte.ie/tutorapplications](http://www.ncte.ie/tutorapplications)).

Applicants, who do not wish to apply as a tutor for these primary summer courses but are interested in other tutor opportunities, may use the form above to submit a general application to their local education centre, indicating their areas of interest and expertise.

### **NB - Revised Criteria for, & Nomination of, Tutors for Summer Courses 2012**

#### **A) Scratch course tutors**

Following some additional consultation, we have decided to slightly revise the criteria for Scratch course tutors. Experienced users of other programming languages may also be suitable. However, all tutors must familiarise themselves with Scratch well in advance of the tutor training as we do not plan to cover the basics at the tutor training.

We are therefore changing the criteria to:

Applicants must:

- Be a qualified and experienced primary teacher
- Be an experienced user of Scratch (**or another programming language**), particularly in a classroom environment

in addition to the general tutor criteria.

This change has been updated on the advertisement on the website.