

Diploma in Irish Music Studies at Ennis, Co. Clare

NUI Galway will offer a Diploma in Irish Music Studies in September 2008.

This part-time, two-year programme is offered by the College of Arts, Social Science and Celtic Studies in conjunction with the University's Adult and Continuing Education Office. The programme will strike a chord among the Galway city and county traditional music scene which is noted for its historic musical culture.

This programme provides an interdisciplinary introduction to the ways in which music and literature have contributed to the creation of identity among Irish communities on the island of Ireland and beyond. The course provides insights from music, dance, poetry, television and film into the ways in which Irish performers and writers have been actively involved in imagining and re-imagining Ireland from the 18th century to the present.

Tim Collins, one of the course directors who will deliver the traditional Irish music and dance components of the programme, said it was suited to anyone with an interest in Irish culture.

“Musical ability is not a requirement for students entering this course as the programme is mainly centred around the debate and discussion of the identity of Irish traditional music,” he said. *“Up to now our classes have included a diverse mix of students from doctors in Galway to musicians in Ennis so it really is a course that has broad appeal to a wide cross section of society.”*

Application for the Diploma in Irish Music Studies is open until Friday, 5th September.

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