

An Chomhairle
Mhúinteoireachta

The Teaching Council

Covid-19 Amendment Regulation (CAR) Subject Declaration Form

Religious Education

This Subject Declaration Form allows you to match your degree (and other qualifications if applicable) against the Teaching Council's curricular subject requirements. You must meet the requirements for at least one curricular subject in order to be eligible for registration as a Post-primary teacher, having also completed a programme of Post primary initial teacher education that meets the Council's requirements.

This declaration form should be completed, printed and signed by persons applying for registration as a Post-primary teacher under CAR and forwarded with the CAR-01 (COVID-19 Amendment Regulation) Application Form.

You should complete a subject declaration form for each subject for which you are seeking Teaching Council registration.

The requirements for the curricular subject **Religious Education** are set out on page 2.

For details of all other curricular subjects [click here](#).

Any material errors or misleading declarations made on this form may result in refusal of registration.

Based on this declaration form, your transcripts relating to the curricular subject sought and the transcripts of your initial teacher education qualification, the Teaching Council will confirm if, you will be eligible to register as a Post-primary teacher and which curricular subject(s) will be recorded on the Register of Teachers.

The information you provide on this form is a guide only and will be used to inform the Council's assessment process. The final decision on the suitability of content and credits allocated will be made by the Teaching Council. You will be registered for the curricular subject(s) for which you meet the requirements in full. If you do not meet the requirements in full for any subject you may be registered for the subject for which you are closest to meeting requirements (subject to conditions) as determined by the Council.

In order to meet the registration requirements set down in the Teaching Council [Registration] Regulations in respect of the curricular subject of Religious Education, an applicant must meet **all** of the following criteria:

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- (a) Applicants must hold a degree-level qualification, with Religious Education or Theology or Religious Studies studied up to and including third-year level or higher (or modular equivalent).
- (b) The qualifying degree must be equivalent to at least Level 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) and with a minimum pass¹ result in all examinations pertinent to the subject of Religious Education.
- (c) The qualifying degree must carry at least 180 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits (or equivalent) with the specific study of Religious Education comprising at least 60 ECTS credits (or equivalent) and with not less than 10 ECTS credits (or equivalent) studied at third-year level or higher (or modular equivalent).

2

The study of Religious Education or Theology or Religious Studies during the degree must show that the holder has acquired sufficient knowledge, skills and understanding to teach the Religious Education syllabus² to the highest level in post-primary education (see www.curriculumonline.ie). To meet this requirement the degree must include the study of all of the following:

- (a) Sacred Texts including the Bible
- (b) Christianity - Origins and Contemporary Experience
- (c) World Religions
- (d) Secular Belief Systems
- (e) Ethics
- (f) Systematic Theology and Philosophy of Religion

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Applicants must also have completed a programme of post-primary initial teacher education (age range 12-18 years). The programme should include a module(s) on the teaching of Religious Education carrying a minimum of 5 ECTS credits (or equivalent).

1 which includes pass by compensation.

2 as approved by the Minister for Education and Skills, and published by the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA).

Name:

Address:

Date of Birth: DD/MM/YYYY

PPS Number:

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Phone No:

Mobile No:

Email:

Degree Title:

Degree Awarding Body:

Year of award:

Other Relevant Qualification(s) in Religious Education (if applicable):

Title of qualification	Awarding Body	Year of Award

Please answer questions 1-5 below and insert module code(s), module title(s) and ECTS credit values as required.		
1	Is your degree equivalent to a least a Level 8 on the Irish National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ)?	Yes No
2	Does your degree carry a minimum of 180 ECTS credits (or equivalent)?	Yes No
3	Do your studies in Religious Education carry a minimum of 60 ECTS credits (or equivalent)?	Yes No
4	Do your studies in Religious Education include the study of not less than 10 ECTS credits (or equivalent) at third-year level or higher (module equivalent)?	Yes No
5	Do your studies in Religious Education include the study of all of the following areas:	
	(a) Sacred Texts including the Bible	Yes No
	(b) Christianity – Origins and Contemporary Experience	Yes No
	(c) World Religions	Yes No
	(d) Secular Belief Systems	Yes No
	(e) Ethics	Yes No
	(f) Systematic Theology and Philosophy of Religion	Yes No

In relation to questions 3, 4 and 5 above, please list below the code(s), title(s) and ECTS credit values for each module studied.

Essential Areas of Study

Area of Study: Sacred Texts including the Bible		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Area of Study: Christianity – Origins and Contemporary Experience		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Area of Study: World Religions		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Area of Study: Secular Belief Systems		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Area of Study: Ethics		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Area of Study: Systematic Theology and Philosophy of Religion		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Area of Study: Other		
Module Code	Module Title	ECTS Credit Value

Total ECTS Credits in Religious Education	
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I declare that I have completed the studies in **Religious Education** as set out above and that the details that I have entered in the tables above are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Name:

Date: DD/MM/YYYY

Signature:

IMPORTANT

This declaration form should be returned to the Teaching Council with the CAR Amendment Regulation Application Form (CAR-01).