

# Dr Dorothy Morrissey | Mary Immaculate College, UL

## General Biography

Dr Dorothy Morrissey is a lecturer in education at Mary Immaculate College (MIC), Limerick, where she has worked in initial teacher education (undergraduate and postgraduate) since 2002. Prior to this, Dorothy worked as a trainer/curriculum support person with the Primary Curriculum Support Programme, where she designed and delivered CPD seminars and supports for primary teachers in English, visual arts, learning support, and curriculum more broadly. She previously worked for many years as a primary teacher.

Dorothy has substantial experience across a range of areas, both as a teacher and as a researcher. She also has extensive experience of working with teachers in diverse capacities and contexts: on the ground as a co-researcher; in an advisory capacity; as a provider of seminars and CPD courses; in the provision of training of training programmes, as the co-ordinator of MIC's MA in Education and the Arts (META) and in the supervision of MA, MEd, and PhD theses. Her work with teachers has spanned areas as diverse as gender, collaborative learning, mentoring and teacher development, reflective practice, curriculum leadership, classroom management, teacher-artist partnership, aesthetic education, the arts (poetry, dance, drama, visual arts, literature, policy) and literacy.

Dorothy believes that collaborating with practising teachers enables the achievement of insights that would not otherwise be possible. Her particular interests include teacher/school partnerships and networks (both intra- and inter-professional), teachers as curriculum leaders and leaders of learning, gender, and the arts.