**The Dermot Earley Programme 2024/2025**

The Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Initiative has been accredited by the National University of Ireland, Galway, as a Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action.

**Programme requirements**

It should be noted that

* Participants can’t pass either Module 1 or Module 2 unless they have 80% attendance. In reality this means they can only miss one night in either module or module 2 so please take this into consideration if your daughter/son is planning TY activities abroad
* The programme requires the completion of workbooks and reflection outside of the Friday night sessions. This would be expected to take 1-1.5 hours per week.

If your daughter/son is not in a position to comply with both requirements, please don’t sign them up as they will not be in a position to pass.

**Format of the programme**

The programme runs over the academic year with two facilitated modules (one before Christmas and one after) and one self-directed module.

Module 1and 2 focus on developing personal and teamworking skills. Module 3 is a 20 hour self-directed community action project. During this module young people use their leadership skills to carry out a project that benefits their local or global community.

**Dates for programme**

* Module 1 will run from 7pm to 9pm each Friday in Cuala from early October up to December
* Module 2 will run from 7pm to 9p.m in Cuala from early January until March.
* Module 3 is self directed with participants completing projects during March and April with a view to having programme completed by the beginning of May.

(The dates set put above may be subject to minor changes to cater for unexpected issues or if additional time is required to complete modules).

**Fees for programme**

* A fee of €70 is payable once your daughter/son has registered for the programme. This covers the cost of the workbooks and incidentals such as resources and refreshments for participants.
* A fee of €300 is due to NUIG in order to obtain accreditation for the Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action. This fee becomes payable early in 2025.

**Registration**

If your daughter/son is interested in participating in the programme, please forward a notification of interest. (see link attached). <https://forms.gle/Tch3QYi1HxjqFCBb9>. **Registration will be open until 5p.m. on Friday 13th September.**

Depending on the numbers not everybody who applies may get a place. In order to ensure effective delivery of the programme, participant numbers have to be aligned with availability of facilitators.