



Opportunities to learn with e-Sgoil

NQ COURSES  
2026-27

GAELIC  
(Learners)

Evening Courses



# Introduction & General Information

Thank you for your interest in the Gaelic (Learners) courses with e-Sgoil, in partnership with UHI North, West and Hebrides.

These courses, which run at National 4, National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher, aim to offer students the chance to gain a recognised qualification in Gaelic and to allow for progression from previous learning.

Please note, current school pupils in a Scottish secondary school may find that the offer during the school day is more appropriate.

The aim of the course is to prepare students for National Qualification exams and as such, will focus on the necessary structures and vocabulary to be successful in the exam.

Teaching involves live, interactive lessons using Microsoft Teams and attendance and active participation in these sessions is essential.

There is also a requirement for independent study and homework assignments which must be completed along with attendance at live sessions.

Individual feedback may not be given on every piece of work. Generic feedback and common errors will be discussed routinely and more personalised feedback will be weighted towards the end of the course.

You must join the course using suitable and reliable IT. Ideally this will be a desktop or laptop computer with camera and headset (headphone with microphone). Phones are not suitable.

You will not be given access to the MS Teams learning environment until the course fees are paid and UHI NWH registration is complete.

The course fee for this has been set by our college partner UHI as £370, which is the amount agreed by their board for all NQ courses offered through the college.

Places are limited and the deadline for confirming your application for this course is midnight on Friday 14th August 2026. We aim to offer places to successful applicants by Monday 17th August 2026.



Official course registration and course fee payment must be completed before the start date of the course, or your place will be withdrawn.

Entry to a course is by application, including a short assessment which should take up to 60 minutes. This will ensure you are offered a place on the most appropriate course. You will find a link to the application form at the bottom of each course page.

The assessment as part of the application will allow e-Sgoil teaching staff to best place you on the most appropriate course for your prior learning experience.

The courses will run w/b 31st August 2026 - w/b 22nd March 2027 with induction taking place w/b 24th August 2026. Classes will be off over the Christmas period and therefore there will be no classes w/b 21st December or w/b 28th December 2026. Classes will resume from w/b 4th January 2027. There will be additional study sessions in April.

Key dates for the course will be shared with students during the induction w/b 24th August.

The class times are detailed on the course pages in this brochure. Please click the course name below to move to the relevant page.

[N4 Gaelic \(Learners\)](#)

[N5 Gaelic \(Learners\)](#)

[Higher Gaelic \(Learners\)](#)

[Advance Higher Gaelic \(Learners\)](#)

If you have any questions please email [e-sgoil@gnes.net](mailto:e-sgoil@gnes.net)



# N4 Gaelic (Learners)

## Who is this course for?

Complete beginners of the language or those with some basic words or phrases.

## When will this course run?

Live lessons will run on:  
Tuesdays: 6.30pm - 7.30pm

## What are the course fees?

A fee of £370 is payable to our UHI partners before the course begins.

## When will the course start and end?

The courses will run w/b 31st August 2026 - mid-May 2027.  
Classes will be off over the Christmas period and therefore there will be no classes w/b 21st December or w/b 28th December 2026.  
Classes will resume from w/b 4th January 2027.

## What is the time commitment?

You will attend live sessions every week with a break for Christmas. You will be expected to undertake homework and revision tasks and independent study on top of your hour of live lessons per week.  
You should expect to spend around a total of 6 hours per week, although this will vary across the year due to the demands of the course.

## How do I sign up?

Complete the application form and assessment [here](#)



# N5 Gaelic (Learners)

## Who is this course for?

People with an interest in Gaelic Language and Culture who have a basic understanding of the language. This might include learning with SpeakGaelic, Duolingo or a course with another provider.

It is not possible to join this course as a beginner and, subject to viability, beginners will be offered a place on the National 4 course.

## When will this course run?

Live lessons will run on:  
Wednesdays: 6.30pm - 8:00pm

In addition, you will attend a conversation class which will run for the duration of the course on Mondays from 6.30-7.30 pm

## What are the course fees?

A fee of £370 is payable to our UHI partners before the course begins.

## When will the course start and end?

The course will run from w/b 31st August 2026 until w/b 22nd March 2027.

There will be revision sessions in the month of April.

Qualifications Scotland exams will take place in May 2027 with the speaking exam taking place in February/March 2027.

## What is the time commitment?

You will attend live sessions every week with a break for Christmas. You will be expected to undertake homework and revision tasks and independent study on top of your 2.5 hours of live sessions per week.

The demands of independent study and homework will vary across the year with heavier workload expected after the Christmas break.

## How do I sign up?

Complete the application form and assessment [here](#)



# Higher Gaelic (Learners)

## Who is this course for?

People with an interest in Gaelic Language and Culture who have already achieved or are predicted to achieve a B at National 5 or a equivalent course in the language or have extensive experience from another source, for example have been studying B1 level on SpeakGaelic or Duolingo.

The assessment as part of the application will allow e-Sgoil teaching staff to best place you on the most appropriate course for your prior learning experience.

## When will this course run?

The live lesson times will vary across the year.

**August - December 2026:**

Tuesday: 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**January - March 2027:**

Tuesday: 6:30pm - 8.30pm

In addition, you will attend a conversation class which will run for the duration of the course on Mondays from 7.30-8.30 pm.

## What are the course fees?

A fee of £370 is payable to our UHI partners before the course begins.

## When will the course start and end?

The course will run from w/b 31st August 2026 until w/b 22nd March 2027. There will be revision sessions in the month of April. Qualifications Scotland exams will take place in May 2027 with the speaking exam taking place in February/March 2027.

## What is the time commitment?

You will attend live sessions every week with a break for Christmas. You will be expected to undertake homework and revision tasks and independent study on top of your live teaching per week. The demands of the course will vary across the year.

## How do I sign up?

Complete the application form and assessment [here](#)



# Advanced Higher Gaelic (Learners)

## Who is this course for?

People with an interest in Gaelic Language and Culture who have already achieved or are predicted to achieve a A in Higher or have studied a equivalent course in the language or have extensive experience from another source, for example have completed B1/B2 level on SpeakGaelic or Duolingo.

The assessment as part of the application will allow e-Sgoil teaching staff to best place you on the most appropriate course for your prior learning experience.

## When will this course run?

Live lessons will run on:

Mondays: 6.00pm - 8:00pm

## What are the course fees?

A fee of £370 is payable to our UHI partners before the course begins.

## When will the course start and end?

The course will run from w/b 31st August 2026 until w/b 22nd March 2027. There will be revision sessions in the month of April. Qualifications Scotland exams will take place in May 2027 with the speaking exam taking place in February/March 2027.

## What is the time commitment?

You will attend live sessions every week with a break for Christmas. You will be expected to undertake homework and revision tasks and independent study on top of your 2 hours of live teaching each week.

## How do I sign up?

Complete the application form and assessment [here](#)