

ADDITIONAL NON EXAMINABLE TOPICS

Any time spent on these topics should be **in addition to the required hours** for the examinable Units.

While candidates may view the main purpose of the Teaching Certificate examination courses to be that of enabling them to pass their exam, that is not the course's sole purpose. The tutor has a wider responsibility in helping to prepare the candidates to be future teachers in the 'real world'.

There is an almost endless list of topics relating to teaching that could be covered, but many are best left until a teacher has some initial experience of teaching classes and uses them as further development of their teaching skills, after gaining their Teaching Certificate.

Unit 2, Unit 3 and Unit 5

Elements of 'Basic structure and function of the body' (see Appendices IX, X, XI.) would be beneficial when looking at the teaching of and personal performance of the steps.

Unit 3 and Unit 5

Warm up and cool down exercises are not part of the exam, but will be mentioned during the course as part of the course lessons, in order to prevent the injury of candidates. Reference can be made to the book 'An introduction to warming up and cooling down for Scottish Country dancing.'

Unit 5

Only if additional hours to the required 25 hours for the course are available.

Other topics that will be useful to new teachers are

- Planning a term's classes
- How to cope with mixed ability classes
- Dance programme devising
- MC-ing

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