

Special EU Programmes Body

Project Case Study

Programme:
PEACE III

Teaching Divided Histories

Theme:
Key Institutional Capacities

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£469,200.00

Lead Partner:
The Nerve Centre

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Geographical area:
Northern Ireland / Border
Region of Ireland

Teaching Divided Histories is an innovative three year project which will introduce new approaches to the study of conflict into the school curriculum in both Northern Ireland and Ireland.

The Nerve Centre in Derry-Londonderry is the lead partner on the project and is working in collaboration with the British Council, the Curriculum Development Unit of the City of Dublin VEC, CCEA and a range of other education partners on how the delivery of innovative education techniques can be used to promote a shared society.

The project brings together post-primary teachers from across Northern Ireland and the Border Region of Ireland to develop a range of education programmes using film, digital photography, animation, comic books and webcasting to enable young people

to explore common experiences of conflict and peace building.

These teachers will be trained in a wide-range of creative and critical skills to enable young people to engage and examine issues relating to conflict and division, in order to attain a balanced viewpoint of their shared history.

“This project is all about giving teachers and pupils the skills they need in the use of multi-media to help explore different experiences of our shared past. In doing so, young people gain both a deeper understanding of our history and move beyond some of the divisions of our past.” – Emma McDermott, Project Manager.



Teacher training on the Teaching Divided Histories project methodologies.

Key Project Outputs:

- **500 school pupils on a cross-border and cross-community basis will take part in the project.**
- **125 teachers will be provided with project training on multi-media education techniques.**
- **Pupils from 25 schools will be brought together to share their experiences of the project.**
- **A new CCEA qualification will be developed as part of the project.**