



sligo weekender



#WPEP-2349713



Innisfree House, 44/45 High Street, Sligo, Co.

Sligo, F91 WC79



No of positions : 1



Work Placement Experience Programme



As per WPEP guidelines



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05/12/2025



30/01/2026

How to apply

Application Method :

This programme is for jobseekers that are in receipt of a qualifying social welfare payment and those transferring from a social welfare scheme. Full eligibility details are available [here](#)



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Assistant Reporter - WPEP Scheme

Application Details

This Work Placement Experience Programme provides Participants with an opportunity to gain meaningful work experience, learning and training while on the programme. This programme is for jobseekers who are in receipt of qualifying social welfare payments and those transferring from a social welfare scheme or an ETB Training Allowance. Your eligibility for this programme will be verified by the Department as part of the application process.

Job Description

We are looking for an enthusiastic individual with aspirations of becoming a journalist to join the team at the Sligo Weekender. The Assistant Reporter will be trained in a variety of areas which will enhance their skills to produce high quality written content and a full understanding of how a newspaper is designed and prepared for publication.

Training will take place in our Sligo office where the individual will report directly to the editor and work closely with the newsroom team and represent the company in the Sligo community.

Role Description

Researching and writing news stories

Conducting interviews in person and over the phone or Zoom

Covering county council meetings

Use of some Adobe systems

Representing the Sligo Weekender at local events and festivals

The Assistant Reporter's training will include:

Formal Training

Be trained on how to use the programme InDesign

Learning how to use Photoshop

Being thought and demonstrations in the use of Bridge

Informal Training

Training will be given on how to conduct and write interviews so you Gain and enhance skills to report on a wide range of local stories

How to conduct and write interviews and features on Sligo-related people and topics

Being mentored and coached on how to represent Sligo Weekender at local events and festivals which they will learn how to report on

Learning the process of reporting on local council meetings

Being coached and mentored by the editor and the newsroom on how to put together from everyone responsible for the design of the Sligo Weekender

Working closely with the editor and the newsroom to develop a good understanding of the process of formulating and delivering ideas which will produce high quality content

- **Sector:** other service activities

Career Level

- Not Required

Candidate Requirements

(Essential)

- **Minimum Experienced Required (Years):** 0