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## LEARN IRISH LANGUAGE IN 12-WEEK COMMUNITY COURSE

#### MISSOULA -

Ciara Wadden, a native of Ireland, will teach a beginner's Irish Language course that starts Tuesday, Sept. 8, at The University of Montana.

Classes will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. every Tuesday from Sept. 8 to Nov. 24 in UM's Liberal Arts Building Room 204. The course will emphasize conversational skills and will draw on both the linguistic and cultural dimensions of the ancient Celtic language of Ireland.

The fee for the course is \$150. Acceptance to UM is not required to attend the course, which is sponsored by the Friends of Irish Studies. Students can register and pay the course fee at the first class on Sept. 8.

Wadden was born in Wicklow and completed undergraduate studies at the University of Limerick. She then went on to earn a Postgraduate Diploma in Education at the National University of Ireland – completing five years of third-level Irish studies and learning how to best teach the language. She has lived and taught in one of Ireland's Irish-speaking regions called Gaeltecht.

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