

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING







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## Fáilte chuig Coláiste Breisoideachais, Dún Bóinne Dunboyne College of Further Education

#### Is cúis áthais dom fáilte a chur romhat chuig Coláiste Breisoideachais, Dún Bóinne, thar ceann na foirne teagaisc agus foireann bainistíochta an choláiste.

On behalf of the management team and the staff it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to Dunboyne College of Further Education. We are proud to serve the counties of Meath, Dublin and Kildare and also the wider east Leinster area since 2003. All of our courses are certified by Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) as well as other bodies and all offer outstanding progression opportunities.

The courses in this prospectus are developed and updated in consultation with prospective employers and third level institutes to ensure that they are relevant to our students' educational needs and the skills required by prospective employers.

The qualifications obtained from all the programmes in Dunboyne College of Further Education provide students with the opportunity to progress to further studies at third level. Over recent years we have developed close links with Maynooth University, Dublin City University (DCU), UCD, TU Dublin, Trinity College Dublin, and Dundalk Institute of Technology, as well as, many other institutions around the country and in the UK. We are confident that these links will be of benefit to our students in the future.

In 2024, we are happy to introduce new courses in Logistics and Distribution, Pre-University Engineering, Theatre Studies, Augmented and Virtual Reality, Security Studies and Criminology, Pre-University P.E. Teaching and Coaching, Personal Training and Fitness Instruction, along with a Hairdressing apprenticeship. We are also introducing a number of Higher National Diplomas in Animation, Film Production, Artist Development for Musicians and in Sound Engineering. These join courses in Speech and Language Therapy and Occupational Therapy. In 2023 we commenced the delivery of two apprenticeship programmes in Hairdressing and Accounting Technician. The application process for HNDs and apprenticeships is slightly different to our other courses. Please refer to our website for further information.

These new courses are part of over 70 courses in the Healthcare, Science, Arts, Business, IT and Design, and Preemployment/Service area courses that make up our six departments here at the college. Our graduates in all our programmes have been very successful in securing places in employment and in the third level sector. We are also delighted to provide a range of advanced Level 6 certificates which include Animal Science, Tourism/Office Administration, Senior Trade/Level 6 Hairdressing, Equine Breeding along with the Early Learning and Care (Childcare) course. All applications are processed in line with our Admissions Policy which is available on our website.

The friendly, supportive and welcoming atmosphere in the college will ensure that your time with us will be both enjoyable and fulfilling. Each year we offer a whole range of extracurricular activities and special events throughout the year. The work of many of our students and staff resulted in Dunboyne College being awarded Green Campus status by An Taisce in 2022. We hope this prospectus contains a programme which meets your own particular needs. In these pages you will find a variety of exciting course choices leading to many educational and career opportunities.

All the information contained in this prospectus is correct at time of going to print but sometimes courses and modules do change, subject to demand and availability. If you have any queries on any of these programmes, please phone us on 01 802 6577 or email dunboynecollege@lmetb.ie

We are looking forward to providing the right educational opportunity for you!



Denis Leonard
Principal

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#### Why study at Dunboyne College of Further Education?

- We are a rapidly expanding college ideally located to serve the Meath, Dublin and Kildare and wider areas
  in close proximity to Maynooth University and Dublin City University (DCU) and Technological University of
  Dublin (TUD).
- Our courses are constantly being revised to ensure they meet the needs of students in terms of personal development and job opportunities.
- We have a dedicated staff who are highly qualified in their fields, concerned for student welfare and interested in seeing our students progress.
- Courses are designed to enhance your career prospects, with strong links to local and national businesses
- We have close links with all three institutions and many of our students progress to certificate and degree courses on their third level programmes. We continue to develop close links with many other Irish colleges and universities.
- Our students receive excellent results. ¹Over 90% of those achieve a full award from DCFE and who apply via the CAO get an offer to progress onto a Level 7 or 8 degree programme.
- There are excellent progression opportunities to a wide variety of third level courses at institutions across the country through the Higher Education Links Scheme. New links are developed every year.
- We have links with partner colleges in the UK which give students opportunities to complete their degrees in nursing, law, sports science and many other areas, if a place cannot be accessed in Ireland. These colleges include South Bank University, University of Bradford, University of Greenwich, Edge Hill University, Bangor University, and many Scottish universities, particularly for Nursing.
- We have a very good track record catering for students of all ages and supporting mature applicants with the transition involved in returning to study.
- Our college has a friendly atmosphere, with relatively small class groups providing a unique learning experience.
- A guidance counsellor service is available to support you in your learning and future career choices, or progression to further studies. Personal counselling is also available.
- We have a full disability and access service as well as mature student support and a comprehensive learning support service.
- Students can apply for maintenance grants and anyone in receipt of social welfare payments can avail of financial assistance through the Back to Education Scheme (BES).
- Our quality-assured courses lead to nationally and internationally recognised certification.

#### 2022 Progression Statistics

Universities and College offers to DCFE graduates	offers
TU Dublin	270
Maynooth University	87
Dublin City University (DCU)	58
University College Dublin (UCD)	54
Atlantic Technological University	34
South East Technical University	32
Dundalk IT	29
Technical Institute of the Shannon	29
Trinity College Dublin	21



416
Level 8 offers to DCFE graduates

273
Level 7 offers to DCFE graduates

## What People are Saying...

We are proud of our long-standing partnership with Dunboyne College of Further Education (DCFE) and are delighted that so many students choose to progress to Maynooth University. Students often tell us how much they learned at DCFE, and how well prepared they are for their next step at Maynooth.

In the coming years, we will be expanding the range of programmes on offer at the University and will continue to work closely with colleagues in DCFE so that more pathways will be available for students to progress to. The goal is to make the journey from Dunboyne to Maynooth even easier and more beneficial for students.

We are proud to educate our students in an inclusive environment in which everyone can thrive personally and intellectually, and has a space to define themselves as people, as citizens and independent thinkers.



Professor Eeva Leinonen President, Maynooth University



TU Dublin makes over 20% of its offers to holders of FE qualifications through the CAO each year and Dunboyne College of Further Education is the largest feeder FE college to TU Dublin. Every year, we are delighted to see so many students from Dunboyne College choosing the relevant courses at TU Dublin, confident after their year in Dunboyne that they are on the correct pathway to Higher Education. The students coming from Dunboyne have access to excellent student supports and career guidance during their QQI level 5 studies so at the end of their studies they are more than ready for their next step into University or the world of work.



Dr Mary Meaney
Registrar and Deputy President TU Dublin



DCU welcomes graduates from Dunboyne College of Further Education into a range of programmes each year. We have the privilege of watching them flourish on their chosen degree programmes and then graduate to the workforce or to further studies.

Starting in Dunboyne is a great route to DCU. We hope to see more of you making that journey as we develop even stronger links with the college into the future.



Dáire Keogh

President of DCU



Dundalk Institute of Technology reflects its surroundings and is a dynamic, vibrant, ambitious Institution. It has earned an international reputation for first class teaching, outstanding research, and innovation. DKIT has welcomed Dunboyne College students for many years and is now looking to expand links into all our programmes and possible advanced entry for those with a level 6 from Dunboyne. We are delighted to report that 97% of our graduates are in employment or further education within 6 months of graduating.



Dr. Diarmuid O'Callaghan

President Dundalk Institute of Technology



### Mission Statement

Dunboyne College is a dedicated further education and training centre that recognises and nurtures the potential of all students. We offer positive learning experiences, promote lifelong learning, and empower our students through a holistic and student-centred approach.



#### **VISION STATEMENT**

Our Vision is to be a dynamic centre of excellence, providing opportunities in further and higher education and industry. We build and strengthen strategic partnerships between education, industry and community to meet the demands of an ever-changing environment. Our goal of a purpose-built campus will be realized in the coming years, allowing us to deliver the full possibilities and potential of the FET College of the Future.



#### **ETHOS**

Dunboyne College of Further Education is dynamic, vibrant, innovative, inclusive, supportive and fosters respect for all its learning community.



#### **QUALITY ASSURANCE**

Dunboyne College of Further Education is registered with QQI to offer quality assured programmes leading to QQI awards on the National Framework of Qualifications. The majority of the awards are certified by Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) or other international awarding bodies.



#### **COURSE CONTENT**

We are continually updating our course modules to ensure they reflect third level requirements, QQI course changes and market demands. There are times when the module list under each course has to be altered and sometimes that is after our prospectus goes to print. If there are any changes the modules offered will still lead to the award advertised.

## Important Dates

Open Night Thursday 23rd November 2023

Open Day Thursday 29th February 2024.





Keep an eye on our website and social media for full details on times and how to book your place.



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## Applying to Dunboyne College

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

 Applications can be made online at www.dunboynecollege.ie. from November 2023 to September 2024.



2. After registering online, students will receive a text and email to notify them they have pre-registered and can log in to view and track their application.

- Applicants will be notified by text and email of a request to upload further information for their application:
- (i). Copy of most recent school report or examination results
- (ii). Reference from teacher, employer or coach.
- (iii). 100-word personal statement on "Why this course is right for me," which should outline reasons for choosing the course.

(iv) Photograph

- 4. Interviews will take place for all courses.
- Successful applicants will then be able to complete the registration process.
- 6. Late applicants can apply online for vacant places at any time until the end of September 2024.
- 7. A grant can be applied for from www.susi.ie.
- 8. A separate process for applicants to the Early Learning and Care courses (formerly Childcare courses) applies. Other courses may have additional entry requirements including auditions etc, please refer to the entry requirements for the courses of your choice.
- Applicants for the Apprenticeships in Hairdressing and Accounting Technician should note that there is a difference system for applying. Please refer to the information listed for these apprenticeships.
- **10.** Applications will be processed in line with DCFE Admissions Policy.



Applications now open



Apply online www.dunboynecollege.ie



Once we receive your application we will email you requesting:

Photograph Reference Interviews
Recent academic results Personal Statement



#### Interview

All applicants will be interviewed. Some additional requirements may apply depending on your course choice.



When you receive an offer please confirm it by the deadline.

#### **FEES**

All information regarding fees will be updated on our website www.dunboynecollege.ie. Payments can only be made online. Cash will not be accepted at the office.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

If a student wishes to cancel their place at Dunboyne College due to a third-level offer or any other reason, they must send an email to the office before Friday 4th October 2024.

As there is usually a high demand for places, interviews will be conducted for all courses. Prospective students are encouraged to apply early. Once a place is offered applicants will have a set deadline by which they should accept or reject the offer. After the deadline the offer will lapse.

It is important to note that all courses at Dunboyne College are considered full-time, even though students may receive direct tuition at the college for only 3-4 days per week. Students will be timetabled for work experience on one day a week unless block placement applies to their course. The remaining days are expected to be utilised for work experience, studying, and completing assignments.

Any official letter confirming a student's registration will state that the course is full-time.

Timetables for the courses will be issued in September and are subject to change.

All information contained in this Prospectus is correct at time of going to print, but are subject to change based on circumstances. Errors and omissions excepted.

### Course Structure

Generally, students must successfully complete a minimum of 8 modules to gain a full QQI award (120 credits). The credit value of modules vary. Your course includes core/mandatory modules which differ depending on the award that you are studying. Additional modules to meet the credits requirement for a full award will be included on your timetable and you should consider these as mandatory in order to achieve a full award. The range of additional modules are subject to availability or demand. They are subject to change and to meeting QQI requirements for the relevant full award. Students must successfully complete Communications and Work Experience in order to gain a full award. Students should consult with Career Guidance regarding the requirements for progression via CAO before making any decision to change modules.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

All courses will be assessed through continuous assessment. This means that modules are assessed with a combination of exams and assignments. Assignments can take various forms, including written projects, reports, essays, skills demonstrations, oral presentations or electronic work. Results for exams and assignments are combined to give the overall result for the module.

#### **GRADING SCHEME FOR ASSESSMENT**

The following grading scheme is used by Dunboyne College of Further Education in relation to QQI Level 5 and 6 courses:

80 - 100% Distinction

65 - 79% Merit

50 - 64% Pass

0-49% Unsuccessful

Briefs (explanatory documents) will be given to students by the teachers for all assessments. There are six possible assessment techniques:

- 1. Collection of Work
- 2. Student Record
- 3. Examination
- 4. Assignment
- 5. Project
- 6. Skills Demonstration

#### HIGHER EDUCATION LINKS SCHEME

The Higher Education Links Scheme facilitates students from Dunboyne College who have achieved a full QQI Level 5 Certificate or Level 6 Advanced Certificate to apply to progress to a range of courses at higher education institutions (HEIs) throughout the country. There are currently over forty higher education institutions offering progression to a wide variety of Level 6 Higher Certificate, Level 7 Ordinary Degree and Level 8 Honours Degree programmes, all of which form part of the National Framework of Qualifications.

To apply, current students submit their third level applications to the CAO by 1st February. In July QQI results are issued to the CAO and the participating institutions. Eight modules are scored (based on Distinction/Merit/Pass results) and applicants are ranked accordingly. Applicants must meet participating HEIs entry requirements. Quotas apply on some courses.

#### HIGHER NATIONAL DIPLOMA

The Higher National Diploma (HND) is a two-year practical course, which gives students the opportunity to develop skillsets and portfolios which can be used to progress into the workplace at an advanced level. HNDs provide a cost-effective alternative to traditional university degrees in practical and vocational subjects such as the creative arts. The certification received from a HND is a Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma, with the option of a Higher National Certificate after year one. In some instances, courses may offer additional certification.

#### **APPRENTICESHIPS**

Students are required to register with an employer that is a SOLAS apprenticeship approved employer under the National Apprenticeship scheme. The student as an apprentice will spend time on the job training and the remainder in training with the college. Apprentices are paid by the employer throughout the apprenticeship term.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Approximately 40% of our students opt to progress directly to employment upon completing their course each year. DCFE has established extensive links with industries, both local and national over the years through both our work experience and skills to advance programmes. The college meets regularly with various major employers to ascertain the current needs in the job market and the skills required, helping us to develop new courses each year to meet these demands. As a result of these well established and growing links with industry, employers now advertise positions directly with the college and these are shared with students through the Jobs Announcements page on Moodle or via the Work Experience Teacher. All students are well prepared for the world of work through the Communications and Work Experience modules.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAMME AT DUNBOYNE COLLEGE

Dunboyne College's scholarship programme offers an opportunity to match up a student with an employer. Employers involved in the sponsorship programme offer students the opportunity to apply for a scholarship. Successful applicants will receive a financial payment on the successful completion of their course and compliance with the terms and conditions of the scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded at an event at the end of the college year. Past winners have come from each department in the college and have recognised the benefit of the scholarship, not just for its monetary value but for the chance to form links with employers and have an achievement on their CV. Businesses see the potential to support a student through education and form links with potential employees. We would like to thank all our sponsors for their ongoing support.

### Student Events & Activities

Getting involved in clubs and societies during your time in college is a great way of getting to know new people and developing your interests. The clubs and societies offered in Dunboyne College are student led and dynamic, changing year on year to meet the needs and trends of each year's intake of students. DCFE's Student Union and Youth Club organise many different charity events and social initiatives throughout the college year such as; GOAL Jersey Day, Trick 'R Treat for Temple Street, Charity Christmas Appeal, Green Week, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Daffodil Day and more. Keep up to date with what's going on through the Student Noticeboard on Moodle and take part!





Green Campus Committee









Music Performances

### Student Facilities



#### COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

The college administration office is open between 8:00am and 4:00pm Monday to Friday. Students' queries are dealt with during these hours. Documents which require the college stamp may be left in the office and will usually be ready for collection the following day.

#### **LIBRARY**

The college library is open every day from 8.00am to 4.00pm. The library is equipped with both module specific books and a collection of eBooks for further study. Students need their college ID to borrow books and can take out books for up to two weeks at a time. The library provides computers and desk space for independent study as well as a colour printer for student use.

#### **COFFEE SHOP**

Open from 8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday. The coffee shop operates as a private franchise and supplies soup, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, snacks and fresh

sandwiches. Students are requested to cooperate in keeping the coffee shop tidy.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

This is a core module, which means that a student will not be awarded their full QQI certificate unless they pass the Work Experience module. The module requires the successful completion of assignments and a mandatory work placement with an employer for the duration of the academic year. You must pass both the assignments and the placement in order to pass the module. The placement must be in an area that relates to your course and/or the modules that you are studying. It is part of your course and learning that you arrange your own work placement.

We recommend that you start this process as soon as possible after commencing your course. Work Experience teachers will offer advice regarding suitable organisations to ensure students experience relevant and valuable work placements. Before confirming a placement, you should consult with your work experience teacher. You must notify your Teacher of your placement details. Failure to do so may result in your placement hours not been considered for assessment.

Placements generally take place on the days that you do not have timetabled classes. Some courses also require block placements. You will be advised by your Work Experience teacher of the format and arrangements of your placement. Employers will advertise work placements via Moodle announcements, and some may visit the college to promote placement opportunities.

Students who wish to work with children and minors in any capacity or vulnerable adults need to be garda vetted before undertaking work experience. This applies to those enrolled on healthcare courses e.g. Nursing, Healthcare Assistant, Pre-Paramedic, Childcare, Youthwork and Applied Social Studies. This can also apply to students on a sports course or a pre-arts course. Details on the Garda Vetting process will be provided at the



start of the course and must be completed within the specified timeframe in order for placements to commence.

Students on Nursing Studies and Health Care Assistant must complete specific requirements which will be issued to them by their Work Experience teachers, before commencing a clinical placement.

Specific requirements for placement also apply to those studying on the Early Learning and Care course (formerly Childcare). Full details will be provided on the commencement of your course.

## Services to Employers



Dunboyne College works closely with employers in the following areas:

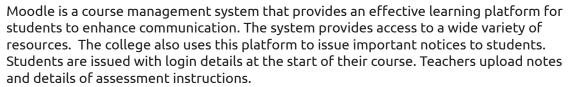
- Employer work placement for current students.
- Supporting students via employer funded scholarships.
- Recruitment of graduates for full-time and part-time positions.
- Supporting employers in the provision of part-time upskilling courses funded by Skills to Advance.
- Employer talks to current students.
- Development of nationally accredited courses .
- For further information, please contact Catherine Fox, Deputy Principal. cfox.dbc@lmetb.ie.

## College Communication with students.

#### **WEB-TEXTING**

Web-texting is a quick and simple service of sending text messages to mobile phones from any web-enabled computer in minutes. The college may use this service to inform individual students or class groups about various issues that may arise.

#### **MOODLE**





Students will receive full training on Moodle, an online learning platform. All course material, class content and announcements for each module will be available on the relevant module page. All assessment instructions (assessment briefs) will be available on Moodle and you will be required to submit your work for grading via Moodle.

#### E-MAIL

Students attending Dunboyne College of Further Education will be provided with a college email address. The college will only use this email address to communicate with the student. It is important that students log in to their college email daily. Exam results are issued only to your college email address and students should monitor their accounts after completion of their course when they are awaiting results and CAO offers.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Get fully connected with Dunboyne College of Further Education by following us on social media:





@dunboynecollege



@dunboynecollegefe



@dunboynecollegeoffurthereducation

#beginheregoanywhere

## **Support Services**

#### **LEARNING HUB**

Students will be able to avail of assistance from Student Support Services that are based in the Learning Hub. These services include career guidance and well-being counselling services that are available to support you in your learning, future career choices or progression to further studies; academic support appointments on a one-to-one basis; and additional support to students with mobility or additional learning difficulties. Students using the Learning Hub will have access to:

- Computers
- Printer
- Photocopying
- Specialised software/hardware
- Internet



#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DOG - ULREEKA

Ulreeka is a 2-year-old Golden Labrador. She is an intelligent, highly skilled, very scent-oriented dog and likes to go to bed early! She loves her food, walks, playing with her toys and most importantly interacting with the students in the college. She roams freely around the learning hub supporting students that are feeling anxious about the college experience, whether it is academically or socially. Through our booking system, students can access Ulreeka to sit and chill with her, watch her perform her skills, or groom her. She looks forward to meeting students everyday.



#### **SENSORY ROOM**

Our sensory room is a quiet space set up to meet the preferences and needs of a student with regard to their sensory experiences. It provides a calming environment where the goal is to give the students the customised sensory input, they require, to be able to self-regulate, making it possible for them to be better equipped for both learning and interacting with others. It is equipped with interactive and fully customizable lighting and visual effects to create an immersive sensory experience. To access the sensory room, book your session through the Learning Hub.

#### **EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT**

Dunboyne College of Further Education is committed to providing the best possible learning environment in relation to students with special educational needs and disabilities. Dunboyne College welcomes applications from students with special needs and makes provision, wherever possible, to facilitate access and participation in the academic courses and student life.

We provide services to all students with additional needs, which may include, but is not limited to:

- Visual Impairment
- Hearing Impairment
- Mental Health Conditions
- · Physical or Mobility Difficulties
- Specific Learning Difficulties, e.g. Dyslexia, Dyspraxia
- Autistic Spectrum Disorders
- Attention Deficit Disorder/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Developmental Co-ordination Disorders (Dyspraxia / Dysgraphia)
- Neurological Conditions
- Significant On-going Illnesses

Students who have been assessed as having additional needs or a disability should contact the Student Support Services early in the academic year to discuss their individual needs and their individual support plan.

All enquiries to Catherine Joyce cjoyce.dbc@lmetb.ie

#### **ACADEMIC SUPPORT**

Academic Support is available to all the students of Dunboyne College. One-to-one appointments can be made via our online booking system to avail of support in the following areas:

- Reading an assignment brief
- Using Moodle, Outlook, Office365 and OneDrive to assist in your studies
- Research and referencing in your assignments
- Academic writing
- · Time management and organisational skills
- · Exam study and revision skills
- English Language (ESOL) support

One-to-one appointments take place in the Learning Hub. Queries relating to this service can be directed to the Academic Support Co-ordinator, Aoife O'Dwyer, who is based in the Learning Hub.

Dyslexia Adult Screening Testing is also available in the Learning Hub, please contact Catherine Joyce or Aoife O'Dwyer aodwyer.dbc@lmetb.ie for further information on this service.

#### **CAREER GUIDANCE**

The Career Guidance and Counselling department team are Derek Ball and Meabh Nimmo. Meabh and Derek will visit each class regularly during the academic year to provide information and advice on the following:

- · Timetables and Awards
- CAO, UCAS (UK) and Direct Applications
- · Employment Options
- The Higher Education Links Scheme
- HEAR and DARE
- Mature Applications
- Career Research



Our Guidance Department team will be available throughout the year. Students may make an appointment through the Dunboyne College website or MyDCFE.ie, or avail of the drop-in service. They can obtain advice and practical guidance on planning their career progression to further study or employment. Central Applications Office (CAO) applications for third level courses close in January (for reduced fee applications) and 1st February for normal applications. Scan our QR code to visit the CAO website.



#### **COUNSELLING**

Personal Counselling is available to students to assist with issues which may arise in the course of the academic year, for example, difficulty in adjusting to college demands, time management, exam anxiety, or other ongoing concerns. Personal counselling is bound by strict confidential ethical guidelines. Appointments can be made through the website, a mentor or directly with Meabh – MNimmo.dbc@lmetb.ie or Derek - DBall.dbc@ lmetb.ie

#### **MATURE STUDENTS SUPPORT**

The college welcomes adults over 23 who wish to return to education and who wish to retrain in new skills and technologies. Our mature learners enjoy the following supports in addition to the overall supports provided to all students:

- Mature student meet and greet before the college year begins.
- A dedicated mature student room where mature students can meet and work with fellow mature students.
- Tea and coffee making facilities are available in the Mature Student room daily.
- A mature student officer available for guidance and support.
- Academic support tailored to ensuring the smooth transition to DCFE.



- · Coffee Mornings in the mature student room.
- · Guest speakers from past mature learners.
- Career guidance talks tailored to mature links.
- A dedicated induction process for mature entry.
- Workshops in exam study, time management, presentation skills, IT skills, referring and research techniques, etc.
- Basic computer skills workshops.
- · Organised social events for mature learners.
- We look forward to welcoming our future mature learners to Dunboyne College.

### **Grant Information**

#### **BACK TO EDUCATION ALLOWANCE**

The Back to Education Allowance (BTEA) allows qualifying persons to return to full-time education in approved courses while continuing to get income support. The BTEA allows people in receipt of certain social welfare payments to retain those payments whilst participating in approved full-time courses in further and higher education. Check <a href="https://www.studentfinance.ie">www.studentfinance.ie</a> for more information or talk to your local Social Welfare Office.

#### **MAINTENANCE GRANTS**

Students who are entering an approved full-time Post Leaving Certificate (PLC) course for the first time in 2024/2025 or who are already attending approved PLC courses are eligible to apply for a maintenance grant. This grant does not cover the cost of registration or examination fees. It is a maintenance grant paid each month directly into the student's bank account. Students apply for the PLC Maintenance Grant at www.susi.ie. It is not necessary for students to know the exact course they will be attending in September in order to apply for a PLC Maintenance Grant. The initial decision regarding the grant is based solely on income. The PLC Maintenance Grant is a means tested grant. This involves an assessment of the earnings in the family (parents and candidate). Students over 23 years of age in the year of entry to the course who are living outside the family home will be assessed on their income and that of their spouse, (if applicable). Please check with the following web address for the final dates for grant applications. All information can be found on www.studentfinance.ie or on www.susi.ie

Contact Susan in Student Support Services for further information at studentservices.dbc@lmetb.ie

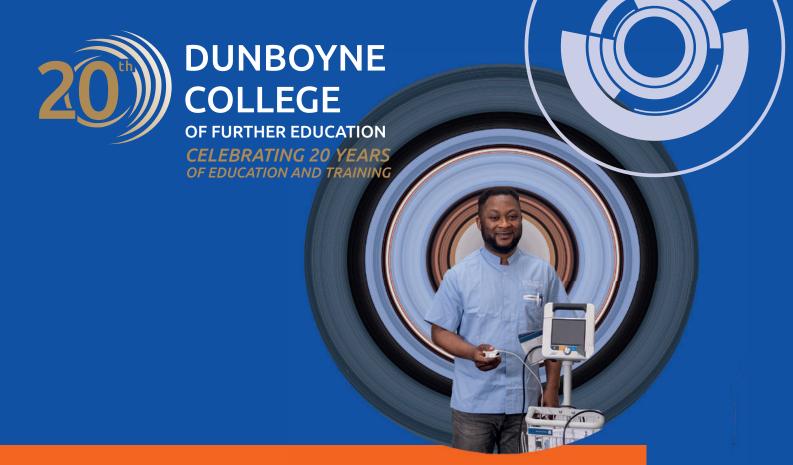
Scan our QR code for information on the SUSI grant.



## **English Language Proficiency**

Students who do not have English as a first language may be asked to take a proficiency test to ascertain whether they will benefit from a specific course. It may be advisable for some students to consider a QQI Level 4 programme while improving their language skills.

We do have English as an Additional Language (EAL) support in place for students whose English is at an appropriate standard in order for them to participate in a Level 5 course, but who may need help with language skills.



## Healthcare

Pre-University Nursing

Healthcare Assistant

Pre-Paramedic Fire and Ambulance (with PHECC EFR)

Physiotherapy Assistant

Pre-Occupational Therapy Studies/ OT Assistant



Pre -Speech and Language Therapy Studies

Pharmacy Assistant

## Pre-University Nursing

#### Nursing 5M4349



#### Excellent Links with Universities in Ireland and UK

#### WHAT IS NURSING STUDIES?

This one-year course aims to prepare students for work with people in a hospital, respite care, social care, community development or residential setting. Nurses need social, communication and caring skills to work with individuals and groups. Nursing Studies will lay a foundation for these skills and provide the work experience to put learning into practice.

This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced mature persons seeking a qualification in this area. The aim of the course is to provide the academic and practical foundation for entry into nurse training as well as the social and human skills necessary for the career.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

A theoretical approach to nursing will be complemented by practical experience. The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Communications
- Anatomy and Physiology
- · Word Processing
- Biology
- Work Experience
- Human Growth and Development
- Mathematics

- Care of the Older Person
- Maternity Care Support
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Care Skills
- Maternity Care Support
- Understanding Mental Health
- Caring for Children in Hospital

### The following may be offered as options on this course

- General Nursing
- Children's and General Nursing
- Mental Health Nursing
- Intellectual Disability Nursing
- Midwifery Nursing

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

#### General Nursing

DCU, Trinity, Ulster University, UL, TUS Athlone, ATU Sligo, DKIT, SETU Waterford, UCC, ATU Letterkenny, UCD, MTU Kerry, ATU Galway

#### Children and General Nursing

DCU, Trinity, UCC, UCD

#### Mental Health Nursing

UL, DCU, Ulster University, TUS Athlone, Trinity, DKIT, UCC, UCG, ATU Letterkenny, UCD, MTU Kerry

#### Intellectual Disability Nursing

UL, DCU, ATU Sligo, Trinity, DKIT, SETU Waterford, UCC, ATU Letterkenny

#### Midwifery

UL, Trinity, DKIT, UCC, UCG, UCD

Graduates from pre-university nursing studies are eligible to apply directly for various nursing degree programmes in most UK universities.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue a degree in many of the Universities around the country to study General, Psychiatric, Mental Health or Children's Nursing. They may alternatively seek immediate employment in a range of hospitals, community care, and healthcare initiatives.

There are now many nursing degree courses available to graduates on the newly expanded QQI links programme in colleges like DCU, UCD, Trinity, TUD Blanchardstown, South East Technological University Carlow/Waterford, Maynooth University, TUD, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, Munster Technological University Tralee, Dundalk Institute of Technology, Atlantic Technological University GMIT / St. Angela's College Sligo / Letterkenny, National University of Ireland Galway (NUIG), University of Limerick and UCC.

The qualification can also be used for entry into third level courses in the Social Care/Social Studies area. This course will also help you to seek out links to the many nursing degree programmes in Northern Ireland – Ulster University and in the UK The University of West London, Edge Hill University, Southampton University, Staffordshire University, Liverpool, Bath, South Bank, Edinburgh (Scotland) and Bangor University (Wales), where we have close links.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Nursing 5M4349
- · Patient Moving and Handling
- First Aid
- CPR
- Child Protection

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Healthcare Assistant

#### Health Service Skills 5M3782



#### WHAT IS HEALTH SERVICE SKILLS?

This one-year course will aim to prepare students for work with people in a hospital, respite care, social care, community development or residential setting. The healthcare worker needs the social, communication and caring skills to work with individuals and groups. Healthcare Skills will lay a foundation for these skills and provide the work experience to put learning into practice. This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced mature persons seeking a qualification in this area. The aim of the course is to provide the human skills necessary for a career in the general healthcare area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

#### Core Modules:

- Care Support
- Communications
- · Infection Prevention and Control
- Work Experience
- Care Skills
- Word Processing
- · Care of the Older Person
- · Caring for Children in Hospital
- · Understanding Mental Health
- · Activities of Living Patient Care
- Maternity Care Support

#### **Employment Progression**

All successful students from this course have gained immediate employment within the healthcare sector.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**SETU Waterford:** SE928 Applied Health Care (Level 7, 3 Years), SE900 Applied Health Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK880 Health and Physical Activity (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU967 Occupational Safety and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU991 plied Social Studies (Level 8, 4 years)

**Maynooth University:** MH107 Social Science (Level 4 years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU791 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue Level 8 honours degree courses in many of the colleges around the country such as TUD, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, DCU, Dundalk Institute of Technology, Marino Institute of Education, IT Carlow, Atlantic Technological University Galway Mayo Institute / Letterkenny IT / St Angela's Sligo, University of Limerick, Munster Technological University Tralee, TCD, UCC, UCD, South East Technological University Waterford, (or any college under Applied Social Studies) or they can access Level 7 ordinary degrees in many of the IT colleges in the country in other disciplines.

Graduates may alternatively seek immediate employment in a range of hospitals, community care, nursing homes and health care initiatives. The qualification can also be used for entry into third level courses in the Social Care/Social Studies area. This course will also help you to seek out links to degree programmes in the UK.

#### CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Health Services Skills 5M3782
- Patient Moving and Handling
- First Aid
- CPR
- Child Protection

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-Paramedic Fire and Ambulance (with PHECC EFR)

Community and Health Services 5M4468



## WHAT IS PRE-PARAMEDIC FIRE AND AMBULANCE?

This is an ideal course for anyone seeking a career in the emergency services. This one-year course will equip students with all the vital skills needed to work in this fast-paced environment. Not only will you learn about skills needed in the healthcare sector, you will also gain a good foundation if you wish to progress further in your studies.

#### **Employment Progression**

Numerous private ambulance companies provide opportunities for employment.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and may be subject to change:

#### Core Modules:

- · Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Emergency Department Care Skills
- Word Processing
- Teamworking
- · Person Centered Focus to Disability
- · Work Experience
- · Infection Prevention and Control
- · Activities of Daily Living
- · Caring for Children in Hospital

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

### Please check for specific entry requirements

**HSE National Ambulance Service:** Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) / Paramedic Student (in conjunction with UCC)

**UL**: LM103 Paramedic Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Fire Brigade:** Apply for training roles within Fire Brigade service (Dublin City Council – Dublin Fire brigade)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students from this course will gain a strong foundation in the paramedic sector. They can then progress to several very specific training awards such as Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) courses. Students can progress to a Paramedic Degree at University of Limerick. South East Technological University Carlow provide a Bachelor of Business Emergency Services Management at a Level 8 over 4 years.

Students can also progress to UK universities to complete a degree in Paramedic Science. Students from this programme are well placed to gain employment with HSE National Ambulance Service as a student paramedic, and with Dublin Fire brigade as student paramedics/fire fighter and Dublin Airport Authority.

Alternatively, students can use the results of this course to apply for other health related and non-health related degrees at Level 7 and 8 in Universities and private colleges throughout the country.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Community and Health Services 5M4468
- Patient Moving and Handling
- First Aid
- · Emergency First Aid Responder
- Breathing Apparatus
- Child Protection

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





I started the year without direction, now I finish the year with not only direction but endless options and opportunities, which I would like to thank all my tutors for.

## My experience

#### Peter Flynn

#### Pre-Paramedic Fire and Ambulance (with PHECC EFR)

When I arrived at Dunboyne College, I was apprehensive but I'm so glad I stuck with it. Not only did I receive the guidance and advice from my tutors that I needed, but I also made incredible friends and with a bit of luck future colleagues.

From the start of this course the guidance was, "What you put into it you'll get out of it," and that was very true! We received our First Aid Response certificates and progressed to Emergency First Response which allowed me to join my Civil Defence Unit and once again with guidance from the tutors, I gained the confidence to do an Emergency Medical Technician course after Dunboyne College to progress my career.

I started the year without direction, now I finish the year with not only direction but endless options and opportunities, which I would like to thank all my tutors for.

## Physiotherapy Assistant

Health Service Skills 5M3782



#### WHAT IS PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSISTANT?

Students who undertake this one-year course in Physiotherapy studies will gain an understanding of the principles and practices of rehabilitation and an insight into how to assess and treat clients whose movement is restricted by illness, injury, disability or age. Students will gain the skills needed by the HSE to work in the healthcare sector, which will help them to understand therapy programmes and support clients in restoring or improving their mobility.



Practical classes will be timetabled on-site IRELAND at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- Physiotherapy Assistant Therapy Theory
- Care Support
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Infection Protection and Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Nutrition
- · Exercise and Fitness
- Kinesiology
- Body Massage and Figure Analysis

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to progress to a Level 6 award and, thereafter, apply to progress to the Level 8 degree offered at the Royal College of Surgeons. Alternatively, students can progress to a sports or science related Level 8 degree and then to the Level 9 Physiotherapy at UCD.

There are many progression options for students to study physiotherapy in the UK. Graduates may also apply for several other Level 7 and 8 degrees in Universities and ITs or private colleges around the country. The Pre-Physiotherapy course is very valuable for students and permits them to directly access employment.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

#### **Employment Opportunities**

Graduates of our Pre-Physiotherapy Studies programme are eligible to apply for Physiotherapy Degrees throughout the UK.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Graduates can progress to related undergraduate degrees in Ireland (e.g. Sports Rehabilitation or Athletic Therapy) and then apply for a Physiotherapy Masters programme in universities such as UCD and UL or in the UK.

Graduates are eligible to apply directly for Physiotherapy undergraduate degrees in certain UK universities.

Mature students can apply for Physiotherapy undergraduate degree programmes in Ireland or UK.

SETU Carlow: SE901 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: US956 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU861 Health Science and Physiology (Level 7, 3 Years)

ATU Sligo: AU971 Health Science and Physical Activity (Level 8, 4 Years)

ATU Letterkenny: AU170 Health Science with Physiotherapy Studies (Level 6, 2 Years). This programme allows students to progress to complete a BSc Hons in Physiotherapy at Coventry University.

**Ulster University:** BSc Physiotherapy

Royal College of Surgeons: RC004 Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4 years) (Level 5 and 6 / Mature Entry requirement)

Maynooth University: Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Drogheda Institute of Further Education:** 6M5147 Pre-University Physiotherapy (Level 6, 1 Year)

#### CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Health Service Skills 5M3782
- ITEC Diploma in Holistic Massage
- First Aid
- Patient Handling

## Pre-Occupational Therapy Studies/OT Assistant

Health Service Skills 5M3782



## WHAT IS PRE-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY STUDIES?

This course is aimed at students interested in pursuing a career in Occupational Therapy. Students who undertake this one-year course in Pre-Occupational Therapy studies will gain an understanding of the principles and practices of rehabilitation, treatment of injured, ill or disabled patients through the therapeutic use of everyday activities.

Students will develop an understanding of impaired mobility and its impact on human occupational performance and ability and the role of occupational therapy in current healthcare services. Students will gain an insight into the development and implementation of therapeutic programmes.

Students will gain the skills needed by the HSE to work in the healthcare sector, which will help them to understand therapy programmes and support clients in restoring or improving their mobility.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and may be subject to change:

#### Core Modules:

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Care Support
- Communications
- · Work Experience
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Safety and Health at Work
- Occupational Therapy
  Assistant Practice
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Theory
- Nutrition
- Word Processing

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to progress to a sports or science related Level 8 degrees and then to the Level 9 Occupational Therapy at University of Limerick. There are many progression options for students to study Occupational Therapy in the UK. Graduates may also apply for several other Level 7 and 8 degrees in universities and ITs or private colleges around the country. Mature students are eligible to apply to Occupational Therapy at Trinity College Dublin, University College Cork and NUI Galway. Successful graduates can gain employment as Occupational Therapy Assistants in the HSE or private health service providers.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

#### **Employment Opportunities**

Successful graduates may gain employment in the HSE or with private health service providers.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Graduates can progress to related undergraduate degrees in Ireland (e.g. Sports Rehabilitation or Athletic Therapy) and then apply for Occupational Therapy Master programmes in universities such as UCD and UL or in the UK.

**SETU Carlow:** SE901 Sport Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US956 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU861 Health Science and Physiology (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU971 Health Science and Physical Activity (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Letterkenny:** AU171 Health Science with Occupational Therapy Studies (Level 6, 2 Years). This programme allows students to progress to complete a BSc Hons in Occupational Therapy at Coventry University.

Graduates from Occupational Therapy Studies are eligible to apply directly for various Occupational Therapy degree programmes in some UK universities.

Mature students can apply for Occupational Therapy undergraduate degree programmes in Ireland or UK.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Health Service Skills 5M3782
- Patient Handling

## Pre-Speech and Language Therapy Studies

Health Service Skills 5M3782



## WHAT IS PRE-SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIES?

This course is aimed at students interested in pursuing a career in Speech and Language Therapy. Students who undertake this one-year course in Pre-Speech and Language Therapy will gain an understanding of the application of a wide range of communication styles and codes in relation to speech and language therapy practice. The programme is designed to ensure that students gain the knowledge, skills and values to meet the demands and challenges of working within the healthcare profession.

Students will develop an understanding of the role of the Speech and Language Therapist in assessing, diagnosing and treatment of people with communication difficulties in a variety of settings including local health centres, hospitals and schools. Speech and language therapists provide lifechanging treatment, support and care for children and adults who have difficulties with communication, eating, drinking and swallowing and help people who, for physical or psychological reasons, have problems speaking and communicating.

Students will gain an insight into various clinical settings and the implementation of client care and patient handling. Students will gain the skills needed by the HSE to work in the healthcare sector, which will help them to understand therapy programmes and support clients.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Speech and Language Therapy Theory
- Speech and Language Therapy Practice
- Care Support
- Child Health and Well Being
- Child Development
- Infection Prevention and

#### Control

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Nutrition
- Word Processing

#### **Progression Support**

Successful graduates may gain employment in the HSE or with private health service providers.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth: MH101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC009 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years) UCD: DN520 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

**Maynooth:** MH801 Early Childhood Teaching and Learning (Level 8, 3 Years)

Marino Institute of Education: CM020 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC001 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH106 Psychology ( Level 8, 3 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE205 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

- Graduates can progress to related undergraduate degrees in Ireland and then apply for a Speech and Language Masters programme in universities such as UL or in the UK.
- Graduates from Speech and Language Therapy Studies are eligible to apply directly for the Speech and Language Therapy degree programme in Ulster University, the fees of which are covered by the NHS.
- Mature students can apply for Speech and Language Therapy undergraduate degree programmes in Ireland or UK.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to progress to related level 8 degrees and then to the level 9 Speech and Language Therapy in universities such as UL. There are many progression options for students to study Speech and Language Therapy in the UK. Graduates may also apply for several other related level 7 and 8 degrees in universities or Institutes of Technology or private colleges around the country.

Mature students are eligible to apply for Speech and Language Therapy degrees in all universities. Students can also use their qualification to work as a Speech and Language Therapy Assistant within the HSE or use the programme as a foundation for further study in the area of childcare, social care and health care.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

• Level 5 Health Service Skills 5M3782

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Pharmacy Assistant

#### Community and Health Services 5M4468

#### WHAT IS PHARMACY ASSISTANT?

This one-year course will equip students with the relevant knowledge and experience to work as a pharmacy counter assistant or pursue a pharmacy technician qualification in the future.

From dispensing over-the counter medications, helping clients choose medical aids and appliances to demonstrating and selling products, the most relevant skills are covered.

This course will also focus on a range of health-related subjects relevant to employment as a pharmacy assistant. Work experience is within a retail pharmacy where, as a pharmacy assistant, you can work as part of a team of health professionals, in order to help customers achieve the best possible health outcome.



The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and may be subject to change:

- · Pharmacy Studies Theory and Practice
- Over-the-Counter Medicines
- · Infection Prevention and Control
- Work Experience
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Word Processing
- Nutrition
- Mathematics
- Medical Terminology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Customer Service
- Retail Selling

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue pharmacy work, or work as sales assistants in health stores, etc. This course is aimed at those interested in working in a community pharmacy or for those wishing to progress to a year two (part-time) Pharmacy Technician course.

Students may also progress to participating Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) through the QQI Higher Education Links Scheme to (for example) DCU, UCD, Maynooth University (incl. Kilkenny Campus), TUD, Dundalk Institute of Technology, University of Limerick, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, UCC, NUIG, South East Technological University Carlow, Marino Institute of Education, Dun Laoghaire IADT, Atlantic Technological University St. Angela's College Sligo / Letterkenny / Galway Mayo Institute of Technology, University of Limerick, Munster Technological University Tralee, Pharmacy Technician courses or to health or arts courses in UCD, Maynooth University, TUD City Campus or UCC.



#### **Employment opportunities**

Students may seek immediate employment in pharmacies or a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a health, science or pharmacy aptitude.

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**TUD City Campus:** TU654 Pharmacy Technician (Level 6, 2 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE511 Pharmaceutical Science (Level 7, 3 years)

**MTU Tralee:** MT872 Pharmaceutical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE937 Pharmacy Technician Studies (Level 6, 2 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US660 Pharmacy Technician (Level 6, 2 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Community and Health Services 5M4468

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





Doing this was one of the best decisions I made in my educational journey, it has equipped me with skills and relationships that I will have with me for the rest of my life.

## My experience

#### Isabelle Aboud

#### Pre-Paramedic Fire and Ambulance (with PHECC EFR)

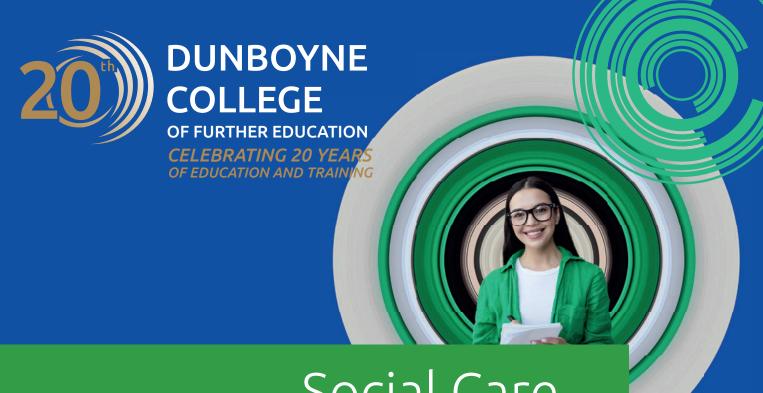
The year I spent in Dunboyne College of Further Education studying Pre-Paramedic, Fire and Ambulance was full of fun, friends, learning and huge support from all the staff. The year equipped my friends and I to further our educational journey whilst still giving us time to figure out what we wanted to do in the future. Doing an FET/PLC was one of the best decisions I made in my educational journey, it has equipped me with skills and relationships that I will have with me for the rest of my life.

My advice for any 6th year doing their Leaving Cert would be, even if you get 625 points, consider a Further Education/PLC because it gives you the time to get a real taster of what career you might want to pursue without the added pressure of committing to a 4 year degree with the chance of studying something that you thought you would enjoy but could end up realising that it's not what you want to do.

I would also advise anyone who is considering an FET/PLC to not think that it's easy, it takes a lot of study and effort to achieve good results but once you do, there are so many opportunities awaiting you. Since leaving Dunboyne College, I and everyone I've met along the journey of further education agree, that the students have a new perspective on education, actually enjoy the learning material and having a great overall experience.

DCFE had many support systems in place for their students and were open to any suggestions or recommendations the students gave to improve the educational experience.

Overall, I would highly recommend anyone young or old to do a Further Education/PLC I can definitely say you won't regret it.



## Social Care, Criminology and Psychology

Social Studies / Social Care
Youth and Community Work
Applied Psychology with Criminology
Criminology, Psychology with Law
Security Studies and Criminology





## Social Studies/Social Care

**Applied Social Studies 5M2181** 



#### WHAT IS APPLIED SOCIAL STUDIES?

This one-year course aims to prepare students for work with people in a social care, community development or residential setting. The care worker needs social, communication and caring skills to work with individuals and groups. Many of the skills acquired will be transferable for use with adolescents, families and the elderly in a caring, educational or development role. The Applied Social Studies course will lay a foundation for these skills and provide the work experience to put learning into practice. This course will serve as training for social care/community care/ healthcare sectors or as a link to Applied Social Studies/Social Care certificate or degree courses in many Technological Universities throughout the country. This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced mature persons seeking a qualification in this area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

A theoretical approach to community and health services/ social studies will be complemented by practical experience. The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Social Studies
- Applied Psychology
- Intercultural Studies
- Criminology
- · Young People and Society
- Community Addiction Studies
- Safety and Health at Work
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Word Processing

#### **Progression options**

There are now a large range of Social Studies or Community Care certificate and degree courses available to graduates of this course.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU991 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU791 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU996 Social Care

(Level 8, 3 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH107 Social Science Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC238 Social Sciences and Cultural Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC009 Human Development Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Yrs)

DCU: DC209 Health and Society (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU997 Applied Social Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK862 Social Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US782 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

SETU Wexford: SE917 Applied Social Studies

(Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue a certificate or degree course in many of the Universities around the country or alternatively may seek immediate employment in a range of Community Care, Health Care, and Community Development centres/initiatives.

There are now a large range of Social Studies or Community Care certificate and degree courses available to graduates on the newly expanded QQI links programme. For example, there are 10 places in Maynooth University through Social Science and over 175 places through First Arts as well as five places in UCD and a large quota in other third level colleges like South East Technological University Carlow/Waterford, DCU, TUD City Campus/Blanchardstown/Tallaght, NUIG, Dundalk Institute of Technology, University of Limerick, Technological University of the Shannon Limerick/Athlone, Atlantic Technological University Letterkenny, St. Patrick's College Maynooth, Milltown, Marino Institute of Education, NCI, Munster Technological University, UCC, UCD.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Applied Social Studies 5M2181

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Youth and Community Work

Youth Work 5M4732

#### WHAT IS YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK?

This one-year course is designed for those who would like to pursue a career in the youth and community sector. It is ideal for anyone who would enjoy working with young people in a range of community-based settings.

The course content will focus on current challenges faced by young people, in particular, around sensitive issues such as, substance misuse, youth unemployment, homelessness and the impact of social media on the young people of today's society.



#### **Employment opportunities**

Graduates of this course may seek direct employment within the youth services sector.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Understanding Youthwork
- Working with Young People
- Young People and Society
- Community Addiction Studies
- Social Studies

- · Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Applied Psychology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Criminology
- · Intercultural Studies

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**NUIM:** MH116 Community and Youth Work (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Blanch**ardstown:** TU991 Applied Social Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU791 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC238 Social Sciences and Cultural Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US928 Community and Addiction Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU992 Community and Youth Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU997 Applied Social Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC009 Human Development Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Yrs)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

DCU: DC209 Health and Society (Level 8, 3 Years)

TUS Athlone: US782 Applied Social Studies in Social
Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

**SETU Wexford:** SE917 Applied Social Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates of the Youth and Community Work course can progress to many degree courses including Community and Youth Work, Applied Social Studies and Applied Social Care at Universities including Maynooth, TUD City Campus/Blanchardstown/Tallaght.

Future areas of employment can include Advice Worker, Community Development Worker, Community Education Officer, Family Support Worker, Social Worker, Youth Worker. Many graduates seek direct employment within the sector.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Youth Work 5M4732

## Applied Psychology with Criminology

Community and Health Services 5M4468



#### WHAT IS APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY?

This one-year course is designed for those who have an interest in psychology and aims to give students an introduction to the core theories and methodologies of psychology and prepare them for further study at third level. In addition, this course lays the foundation for a wide variety of, 'people-focused,' careers in social research, health care, community support, information officer, and youth work.

On completion of the course, students will also have developed skills that are useful to careers in human resources, marketing and public relations. This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced mature persons seeking a qualification in this area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Human Growth and Development
- Applied Psychology
- Behavioural Studies
- · Communications
- Criminology

- Work Experience
- Addiction Studies
- Safety and Health at Work
- Word Processing

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from this course will be able to apply for third level education courses in Maynooth University, UCC, UL, NUI Galway, South East Technological University Waterford, DBS, Atlantic Technological University Sligo, NCI, IADT, as well as accessing careers in community health areas.

The course content covers subjects essential to those seeking to progress to further studies and provides progression links to Level 8, The Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI) accredited courses. Students can also progress to general courses in areas like Arts, Social Studies, Education, Health, Business and Sports Rehabilitation courses in colleges like Maynooth University, TUD City Campus/Blanchardstown, UCD, UCC, South East Technological University Carlow/Waterford, Munster Technological University Cork, Technological University of the Shannon Limerick, Atlantic Technological University Letterkenny, IADT, DBS. The course opens up careers in areas like education, management, counselling, research, social services, advertising, etc.

There are also other opportunities in third level colleges all around Ireland. We have, for example, a very close link with Bangor University in Wales. Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of community care, health care and community development centres/initiatives.

#### **Progression support**

This course covers subjects essential to those seeking progression to further studies at degree level.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD:** BA Counselling and Psychotherapy Degree (Mature Students only) (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCC: CK120 Applied Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US925 Applied Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

UL: LM102 Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UL:** LM002 Arts-Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY104 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**NUIG:** GY101 Arts-Psychology (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

SETU Carlow/Waterford: SE205 Psychology

(Level 8, 3 Years),

SE200 Psychology - Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

IADT: DL825 Applied Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts with Psychological Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

Maynooth: MH106 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**UCD:** DN720 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years) DN620 Criminology with Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR006 Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

**St. Nicholas College:** NM802 Psychology

(Level 8, 3-4 Years)

NCI: NC010 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 in Community Health Services 5M4468
- Occupational First Aid

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Criminology, Psychology with Law

Community and Health Services 5M4468

#### WHAT IS CRIMINOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY?

This one-year course aims to introduce students, who have an interest in criminal behaviour and criminal law, to the knowledge that will help them to fully explore and understand the way in which we think about and manage crime related issues in Ireland.

On completion of this course, students will gain valuable knowledge and skills which will allow them to progress smoothly to third level options.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Criminology
- Criminal Law
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Applied Psychology
- · Human Growth and Development
- Word Processing
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- · Safety and Health at Work
- Behavioural Studies

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue degree courses such as Applied Psychology, Psychological Studies, Psychology and Criminology at Universities and IT's including Maynooth, IADT, NCI and UCC. Students can also progress onto the Level 8 QQI award in DNA and Forensic Analysis at TUD Tallaght or Applied Social Care at TUD City Campus.

Graduates may also progress onto many other degrees at Level 7 and 8 in Universities and ITs or private colleges around the country, along with progression options to the UK.

Future areas of employment can include research positions, working within the social care or legal systems, working in the field of psychology. Alternatively, students may progress directly into employment.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



#### **Progression support**

This course covers subjects essential to those seeking progression to further studies at degree level.

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts-Criminology Studies

(Level 8, 3 Years), MH502 Law and Criminology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**UCC:** CK113 Criminology (Level 8, 3 Years) TUD Tallaght, TU864 DNA and Forensic Analysis (Level 8, 3 Years), CK120 Applied Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD:** BA Counselling and Psychotherapy Degree (Mature Students only) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN620 Criminology with Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US925 Applied Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

UL: LM102 Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

UL: LM002 Arts-Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY104 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

NUIG: GY101 Arts-Psychology (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

SETU Carlow / Waterford: SE205 Psychology

(Level 8, 3 Years)

SE200 Psychology - Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Community Health Services 5M4468

## Security Studies and Criminology

Security Studies and Criminology 5M2110

### WHAT IS SECURITY STUDIES AND CRIMINOLOGY?

This Security Studies with Criminology Course at DCFE will provide you with a strong foundation in the skills necessary to pursue a career in the private security industry and in Retail Security as either Door Security or Static Guarding in both Ireland and abroad or progress to Third level.

The course provides students with an introduction to the different sectors within the security industry in Ireland. Throughout their period of training, students complete work placements with recognised security companies at music concerts, sporting events and other public events.

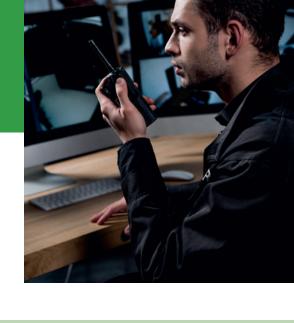
This course is also of relevance to students who are interested in a career in An Garda Síochána, the Defence Forces, Prison Service or Emergency Services. You will obtain a grounding in the various legal aspects of security. Successful achievement of the security modules will enable you to meet part of the requirements for a security license as required under the Private Security Services Act. You will also qualify as a First Aid Responder (FAR) which is awarded by the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council (PHECC).

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Safety and Health at Work
- Security Industry Procedures
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Retail Security

- Criminal Law and Security Procedures
- Criminology
- · Word Processing
- Door Security Procedures\*
- · Guarding Skills\*
- \* Level 4



#### Multiple qualifications through this course

- First Aid
- Manual Handling
- Graduates of this course can use their security qualifications to apply for relevant security licenses as required by the Private Security Authority (PSA).

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts with Legal Studies / Business (Level 8, 3 years)

TUD Blanchardstown: TU902 Business

(Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU670 Business (Level 6, 2 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates who successfully complete the security modules can use their results as part of their application for a security license which is a requirement for employment as a security officer.

Graduates are also eligible to apply through the CAO Higher Education Links Scheme for entry to year one on a range of Level 7 and Level 8 programmes including Business and Legal Studies in a variety of third level universities.

#### CERTIFICATION

Level 5 Security Studies

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





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## My experience

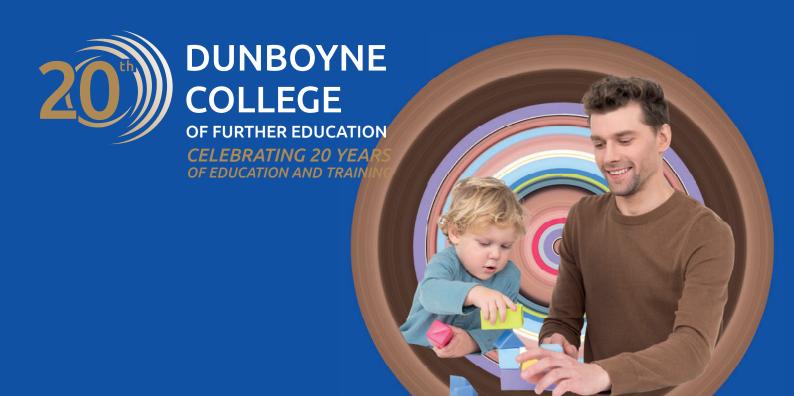
#### **Brenda Mullins**

#### Level 5 in Applied Psychology

There are so many support structures in place at DCFE, particularly for the mature students. There were many mature student coffee mornings on different days in order to suit everyone's timetable. A room was designated just for the mature students which was a great benefit to us, to relax and chat in a calm setting or to be able to work away quietly if we wanted to.

The learning hub is also another fantastic resource offered by the college for students who may be struggling with course detail or assignments. The staff are so engaging and they put you at ease as soon as you walk through the door. I did not avail of the services myself this year, but I knew they were there if I needed help.





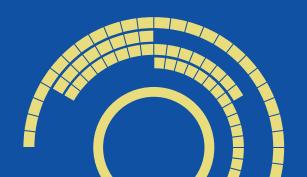
# Education and Childcare

Early Learning and Care (Childcare)

Advanced Early Learning and Care (Childcare)

Pre-University Arts/Teaching

Pre-University PE Teaching and Coaching Special Needs and Classroom Assistant





## Early Learning and Care (Childcare)

#### Early Learning and Care 5M21473/6M21471



#### WHAT IS CHILDCARE?

This two-year course aims to prepare students for work with young children in the rapidly expanding world of childcare and crèche supervision/management.

The childcare worker needs social, communication and caring skills to work with individuals and groups. Childcare will lay a foundation for these skills and provide the work experience to put learning into practice. This course will serve as training for crèche/ community care/healthcare industries or as a link to childcare or early childhood education courses in many universities throughout the country and the UK.

Successful graduates can also for positions as a Special Needs Assistant in a range of educational settings. This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced mature persons seeking a qualification in this area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

A theoretical approach to childcare and special needs assisting will be complemented by practical experience. The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

#### Level 5 - Year 1

- Professional Practice Placement in Early Learning and Care
- Children's Rights, Legislation and Regulation
- Holistic Care of Children 0-6
- Early Childhood Growth and Development
- Curriculum, Play and Creative Studies
- Understanding and Assisting Children with Additional Needs

#### Level 6 - Year 2

- Advanced Professional Practice Placement in Early Learning and Care
- Sociology and Social Policy in Early Learning and Care
- · The Developing Child
- Curriculum and Pedagogy
- Inclusive Early Learning and Care
- Supervision and Administration in Early Learning and Care

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue level 7/8 Early Childhood degree courses in Maynooth University, DCU, University of Limerick, UCC, Marino Institute of Education, as well as, in TUD Blanchardstown, South East Technological University Carlow. Graduates may apply to progress to Year 3 of Early Childhood degrees in many UK Universities.

Students may also seek immediate employment in a range of childcare centres, classrooms or community initiatives. Early Learning and Care graduates may be eligible to access the 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University or progress to Social Care/Social Study degree programmes in TUD and Primary School Teaching.

#### Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth University: MH003 Early Childhood Teaching and Learning (Level 8, 4 Years) - Advanced entry to Year 2 with QQI Level 6 Qualification. MH101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU993 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Marino Institute of Education:** CM020 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU995 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC001 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 4 Years) **St. Nicholas College:** NM801 Montessori Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC235 Education and Training (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

**SETU Waterford / Carlow:** SE911 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years), SE913 Early Childhood Education and Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU790 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DKIT:** DK876 Early Childhood Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU989 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Sunderland University (UK):** Entry to Year 3 of BA in Childhood Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

Graduates from this programme are eligible to apply directly for various degree programmes in most UK universities.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Year 1 Level 5 Early Learning and Care 5M21473
- Year 2 Level 6 Early Learning and Care 6M21471
- First Aid Response
- Child Protection

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Cert or LCA
- Mature Students
- Other equivalent qualification
- All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications and must successful complete a literacy assessment as part of the entry process. To successfully complete this programme students must have a 80% attendance rate each year. Entry to Year 2 is conditional on successful completion of Year 1.

## Pre-University Arts/Teaching

Education and Training 5M3635 or General Studies 5M3114

#### WHAT IS EDUCATION AND TRAINING?

Students on Education and Training courses at Dunboyne College benefit from close links with Maynooth University and can access a range of academic and student supports across both campuses.

Our one-year course, similar to our other arts programme, aims to prepare students for entrance into Arts programmes in Irish universities and colleges but also lay foundations for those who want to pursue a career as either a primary or post-primary teacher. While the course also prepares students for entry to employment in a range of settings, it is mainly aimed at those who want to pursue careers in the education and training arena.

By progressing to an arts degree or education and training qualification and then on to a post graduate qualification, students can access the many opportunities in the world of education and training. This course basically lays the foundation for those who know education is their first choice of career.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Concepts in Education and Training
- Communications
- Work ExperienceResearch and Study Skills
- Psychology
- Understanding Special Needs
- Interpersonal and Group Behaviour
- Approaches to Early Childhood Education
- Language Options:Gaeilge, French, Spanish
- English Literature
- History
- Word Processing
- · Digital Presentations

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in Universities including DCU, UCC and a large range of other degree courses available in universities for students who hold a QQI qualification in Education and Training. There are also opportunities in education, training, European administration, as well as, in the business world. Graduates from this course may gain entry to the BSc Education and Training at DCU.

While there is no direct link to primary teaching from QQI, students on completion of the Level 5 award, may apply through the CAO for a range of available courses as part of the newly expanded QQI Links scheme. These include Education Studies and Early Childhood Studies at Marino Institute of Education, Post-Primary Teacher Education at DCU and Arts Degrees at DCU, Maynooth and UCD. There are also a large range of other degree courses available in universities throughout the country.

On successful completion of an undergraduate degree, students can then apply for the Postgraduate Masters in Education (PME) which enables them to qualify as a primary or post-primary teacher and register with the Teaching Council.

## The following may be offered as options on this course:

- Irish Option Available
- Home Economics Option Available
- PE Option Available
- Digital Presentations

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth Universoty: MH101 Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN520 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

**MTU Cork:** MT930 Home Economics and Business Teaching (Level 8, 5 Years)

**DCU:** Post Primary Teacher (Level 8, 4 Years), DC118 Business and Irish (Level 8, 4 Years), Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Years) DC235 Education and Training (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK861 (Level 8, 4 Years)

Marino: CM010 Education Studies (Level 8, 4 Years), CM020 Early Childhood St. Nicholas: NM801

Mary Immaculate College: MI015 Education, Home Economics and Business Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Montessori Education** (Level 8, 4 Years) Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU St. Angela's College Sligo (NUIG):** AU988 Home Economics Teacher Education (Level 9, 5 Years)

**MTU Tralee:** MT911 Health and Leisure Studies (Level 8, 4 Years) With progression link to PME Physical Education Teaching – University of Limerick

**TUD Blanchardstown:** BN118TU993 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years)\*

Developmental work is currently underway to implement direct and guaranteed pathways into the teacher-training programmes in Maynooth University and other Higher Education Institutions including the Maynooth University Level 6, 'Think about Teaching,' Foundation Certificate.

Currently, students attend classes on-campus in Maynooth University one day per week in partnership with the university's, 'Turn to Teaching Programme,' and Maynooth Access Programme.

#### CERTIFICATION

 Level 5 Education and Training 5M3635 or General Studies 5M3114

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University PE Teaching and Coaching

Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146



#### WHAT IS PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND **COACHING?**

This one-year course is designed to prepare students for a career in the sports, coaching and fitness sectors, or provide a pathway to further study in Physical Education teaching. Students will engage in a range of sports, both practically and academically. Students will also gain the social, communication and leadership skills to work with students in the teaching area, along with athletes and groups in the growing sports, coaching and fitness areas.

In partnership with Meath GAA/FAI, students can complete coaching courses and obtain coaching badges to further enhance their practice and experience.



Practical classes will be timetabled on-site IRELAND at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Laboratory Skills
- Biology
- Mathematics
- **Physics**
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Work Experience
- · Safety and Health

- Sports and Recreational Studies
- Exercise and Fitness
- Sports Anatomy and Physiology
- Soccer Coaching
- **GAA Coaching**
- Basketball Coaching
- Swimming

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to pursue a career in P.E. teaching. Alternatively, students may progress to a sport or science related Level 8 degree.

Graduates may also choose to pursue careers in various roles such as Strength and Conditioning, Sports Coach, Sports Offices and many different roles within the sports, leisure and fitness industry.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

Partnership with Meath GAA and the FAI for coaching badges.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

DCU: DC205 Physical Education with Biology (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC206 Physical Education with Mathematics (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCC:** CK116 Sports Studies and Physical Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: LM090 Physical Education with Concurrent Teacher Training (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Blanchardstown: TU935 Sport Management and Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU882 Nutraceuticals in Health and Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Thurles: US786 Applied Sports Science with Strength & Conditioning - BSc (Level 7, 3 Years)

SETU Carlow: CW858 Sports Management and GAA Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: CW188 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: AL836 Health Science with Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: WD002 Food Science Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years) WD006 Nutrition and Exercise (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU 955 Sports and Leisure Management

Maynooth University: Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: AL841 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Tallaght: TU936 Sports Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5М3807 ог;
- Level 5 Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146
- First Aid

## Special Needs and Classroom Assistant Primary and Post Primary

Community Care 5M2786



## WHAT IS SPECIAL NEEDS AND CLASSROOM ASSISTANT?

This one year course trains students to work as Special Needs Assistants (SNAs) with children with special educational needs in a variety of educational settings including primary and secondary school classrooms and specialist schools.

Students completing this course will be able to work effectively under direction in a special needs assisting setting. They will develop skills to assist children in a range of activities, ensuring equality of opportunity through working in a safe and professional manner. They will learn about development and learning in children with special needs and about the role as an SNA. They will also develop the capacity to work and communicate effectively with parents, families, colleagues and other professionals to safeguard, support and promote children's learning.

The course is suitable for both school leavers and experienced or mature students seeking a formal qualification.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered in 2023 subject to availability and demand:

- Special Needs Assisting
- Understanding Special Needs
- Human Growth and Development
- Safety and Health at Work
- Care Provision and Practice
- Equality and Disability
- Intellectual Disability Studies
- Work Experience
- Communications

Additional courses which may be available to students include First Aid.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU991 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 8, 4 Years) and TU791 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU989 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years) and TU790 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC001 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC209 Health and Society (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC235 Education and Training (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years) MH106 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years) MH107 Social Science (Level 8, 3 Years)

NCI: NC010 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE928 Applied Health Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE919 Social Care Practice (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US782 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US926 Early Years Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates can progress directly to employment in a variety of educational contexts and community care settings. This course qualifies students to work as SNAs in primary and secondary school classrooms or special schools, supporting children in their learning environment.

Alternatively, graduates may progress to further studies in specialist social care, psychology, social studies, early childhood care and education degree programmes in a range of Universities and Technological Universities.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Community Care 5M2786

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications



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## My experience

#### Katie Moore Quinn

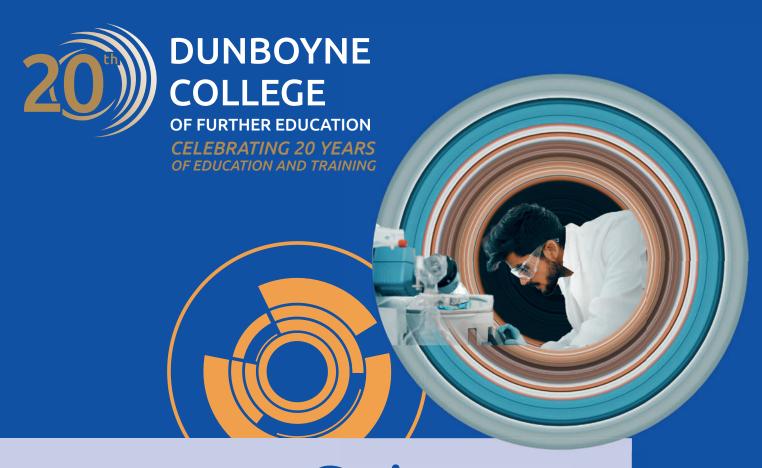
#### Level 5 in Social Studies

I wanted to do this course to get an idea of whether I would like Social Studies before committing to higher education. I found the course amazing and eye opening. It was both interesting and challenging, as I was introduced to subjects I've never studied before. I loved every minute of it. I really liked the fact that it was divided between exams, assignments and presentations. This helped to take the pressure off around exam time. I also feel that my ability to do oral presentations and research was much improved.

I found the help provided by the college through the learning hub really put me at ease, particularly around how to organise my work and how to complete an assignment.

I met new friends within my course and I was also selected to take part in an Erasmus project, which I am so grateful to Dunboyne College for. I made so many memories both from my Erasmus experience and from my year in the college. I feel like I have gained a lot both in my education and in personal growth.

I really liked the fact that the classes were small, so I felt I was able to speak comfortably. It also made it much easier to learn. The teachers' methods of teaching meant I was able to learn, quite easily, the information they were teaching us. It was a great stepping-stone for me and I now feel I am ready and prepared to move on to my level 8 next year. I am very grateful for Dunboyne and will miss it. I am now confident that I want to pursue a career in social care.



## Science

Pre-University Science

Pre-University Agricultural Science

Pre-University Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science

Pre-University Forensic Science

Pre-University Environmental Science

Pre-University Sports Science

Pre-University Food Science - Nutrition, Health and Well-Being

Pre-University Animal Science

Pre-University Physiotherapy

Advanced Animal Science



## **Pre-University Science**

#### Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY SCIENCE?

This one-year course is designed to give students an introduction to the world of science and covers a variety of areas related to the sciences. The mathematics element allows students to bring their levels up to the competence relevant to their intended third level course. Students will also have the option to study other modules along with science to shape their qualification for entry to their desired course or area of employment.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Laboratory Techniques
- Communications
- Biology
- Work Experience
- Chemistry
- · Word Processing
- · Physics
- Mathematics
- · Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety and Health at Work

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TUD City Campus/Tallaght, UCC, NUIG, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, Atlantic Technological University Sligo/Letterkenny/St. Angela's College Sligo, South East Technological University Carlow, Munster Technological University Cork, as well as, other ITs and colleges around the country or in the UK

For example, there are up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses and another 20 places in UCD Agricultural Science courses and 10 places in Trinity in First Year Science for QQI graduates. Graduates can also progress to Physical Education teaching in DCU.

Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a science aptitude.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or:
- Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



There are places reserved for QQI applicants on Level 7 & 8 Science degrees in Maynooth University, Trinity College, DCU and TUD.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

DCU: DC201 Common Entry Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC203 Science Education (Teaching)

(Level 8, 4 Years)

DC205 Physical Education with Biology (Level 8, 4 Years)

(Level 8, 4 Years)
DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC206 Physical Education with Maths (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN200 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU854 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR060 Biological and Biomedical Sciences

(Zoology Option) (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

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## Pre-University Agricultural Science

#### Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

## WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE?

This one-year course is designed to give students an introduction to Agricultural Science and covers a variety of areas related to the study of animal science. Students will gain a fundamental understanding of content related to animal and agri-sciences.

The course offers modules such as Animal Anatomy and Physiology, Biology and Laboratory Skills. Students will also have the option to study other modules within the science sector giving a good grounding for entry into a higher education science degree.



The following modules will be offered subject to availability / demand and may be subject to change:

#### Core Modules:

- Laboratory Techniques
- · Communications
- Biology
- Work Experience
- Chemistry
- · Word Processing
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- · Safety and Health at Work

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TUD City Campus/ Tallaght, UCC, NUIG, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, Atlantic Technological University Sligo/Letterkenny/St. Angela's College Sligo, South East Technological University Carlow, Munster Technological University Cork, as well as other IT's and colleges around the country or in the UK.

For example, there are up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses and another 20 places in UCD Agricultural Science courses and 10 places in Trinity in First Science for QQI graduates.

Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a science aptitude.



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**UCD:** DN250 Agriculture Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN 250 Animal and Crop Production (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCC:** CK412 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years) GMIT: GA777 Agricultural and Environmental Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE502 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK885 Agri-Food Production (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK884 Sustainable Agriculture (Level 8, 4 Years)

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#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

### Pre-University Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science

Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

#### What is Pre-University Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science?

This sector represents some of the largest industries operating in Ireland, with high employment and significant research occurring.

This one-year course is designed to give students an introduction to Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science and covers a variety of areas related to the sciences. In addition to developing your scientific knowledge, studying Biomedical and Pharmaceutical science enables you to develop a wide range of skills, including problem-solving, teamwork, data handling and analysis, organisation, and communication. This broad skill set will be extremely valuable no matter what career path you choose. The mathematics element allows students to bring their levels up to the competence relevant to their intended third level

Students will also have the option to study other modules along with science to shape their qualification for entry to their desired course or area of employment.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Laboratory Techniques
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Medical Terminology
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Microbiology
- Chemistry

- **Physics**
- Mathematics
- Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience

#### Biology

- Safety and Health at Work

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TUD City Campus/Tallaght, UCC, NUIG, IT Tallaght, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, Atlantic Technological University Sligo/Letterkenny IT/St. Angela's College Sligo, South East Technological University Carlow, Munster Technological University Cork as well as other ITs and colleges around the country or in the UK.

For example, there are up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses and another 20 places in UCD Agricultural Science courses and 10 places in Trinity in First Science for QQI graduates.

Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a science aptitude.



There are places reserved for QQI applicants on Level 7 & 8 Science degrees in Maynooth University, Trinity College, DCU and TUD.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION**

Trinity: TR060 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Tallaght: TU876 Pharmaceutical Science (Level 8. 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH210 Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK783 Pharmaceutical Science (Level 7, 3 Years) Maynooth: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years) **NUIG:** GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC201 Common Entry Science (Level 8, 4 Years) TUD City Campus: TU854 Science (Level 8, 4 Years) DCU: DC163 Chemical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUI Galway: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Forensic Science

#### Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

#### WHAT IS FORENSIC SCIENCE?

This one-year course will introduce students to the basic principles of forensic science.

Students will participate in laboratory work, with a particular focus on how evidence is collected and analysed for use in legal cases.

Students will gain a knowledge of the link between the sciences and how these are put to use in the Irish legal system.



The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Criminal Law
- Criminology
- Biology
- Laboratory Techniques
- Chemistry
- Mathematics

- · Communications
- Work Experience
- Physics
- Microbiology

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There are places reserved for QQI applicants on Level 7 & 8 Science degrees in Maynooth University, Trinity College, DCU and TUD.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU863 Digital Forensics and Cyber Security (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU851 Analytical Chemistry – Environmental Forensic Pharmaceutical (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU864 DNA and Forensic Analysis (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE602 Computer Forensics and Security (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU GMIT:** GA786 Forensic Science and Analysis (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU859 Forensic Investigation and Analysis (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years) **NUIG:** GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE602 Computer Forensics and Security (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may apply for degree courses such as Digital Forensics and Computer Forensics at TUD Blanchardstown or South East Technological University Waterford. Students can progress onto the Level 8 QQI award in Applied Social Studies at TUD Blanchardstown.

Graduates may also progress onto many other degrees at Level 7 and 8 in Universities and ITs or private colleges around the country, along with progression options to the UK. Future areas of employment can include Forensic Medical Examiner, Forensic Engineer, Crime Scene Investigator and Crime Laboratory Analyst. Graduates of a Level 7 degree may progress to employment with Forensic Ireland.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

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#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Environmental Science

#### Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807



This one-year course introduces students to the core science modules physics, chemistry and biology along with mathematics and environmental studies.

The skills and knowledge gained, while studying these subjects, will be invaluable to those seeking to pursue a career in renewable energy, environmental consultancy, waste management, wildlife trusts, nature reserves and parks. It is an excellent introduction for students who wish to progress to third level courses in this area.



There are places reserved for QQI applicants on Level 7 & 8 Science degrees in Maynooth University, Trinity College, DCU and TUD.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Biology
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Environmental Studies
- Work Experience
- · Laboratory Skills
- Mathematics
- Microbiology
- Physics
- Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates of the Pre-University Environmental Science course can progress to many degree courses including Environmental Science and Environmental Health at several universities and Institutes of Technology including DCU and TUD. Students can progress onto the Level 8 QQI award in Planning and Environment at TUD City Campus and Sustainable Energy at TUD Tallaght.

Future areas of employment can include Environmental Scientist, Environmental Engineer, Conservation, Environmental planning. Many graduates seek direct employment within the sector.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or
- Mature Students or:
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**DCU:** DC166 Environmental Science and Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC294 Climate and Environmental Sustainability (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU835 Planning and Environmental Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU869 Environmental Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU806 Sustainable Energy Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU851 Analytical Chemistry – Environmental Forensic Pharmaceutical (Level 8, 4 Years)

**NUIG:** GY313 Environmental Health and Safety (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCC:** CK404 Biological, Earth and Environmental Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years) **NUIG:** GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK887 Environmental Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

### **Pre-University** Sports Science

#### Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807



#### WHAT IS SPORT SCIENCE?

This one-year course introduces students to the broad and expanding sector of Sport Science. An interesting course that will provide students with the skills, knowledge and qualifications necessary to gain employment in the sports

With the combination of modules, students can avail of the science award with some coaching modules and sports anatomy and then continue to higher education to study health or sports science.



Some classes will take place at Sports IRELAND Campus Ireland and the National Aquatic Centre.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Mathematics
- Nutrition
- Communications
- Biology
- Work Experience
- Laboratory Techniques
- Chemistry

- Word Processing
- Sports Anatomy and Physiology
- **Exercise and Fitness**
- **Physics**
- Safety and Health at Work

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, UCD, DCU, TUD City Campus/Tallaght, South East Technological University Carlow, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, UCC, Atlantic Technological University, St. Angela's College Sligo, as well as, other Institutes of Technology and colleges around the country or in the UK.

For example, there are up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses and 10 places in Trinity in First Science for QQI graduates. Students can progress to PE Teaching via an undergraduate degree at Munster Technological University, Tralee or Cork University and to the Postgraduate Master in PE Teaching at UL.

Graduates can also progress to Physical Education teaching

Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a science aptitude.

Practical classes will be timetabled onsite at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National Gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

DCU: DC202 Sport Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC205 Physical Education with Biology (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC206 Physical Education with Maths (Level 8,

SETU Waterford: SE904 Sports Coaching and Performance (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU995 Sports and Leisure Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: SE901 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Blanchardstown: TU935 Sports Management and Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years) GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

Technological University of the Shannon Athlone: AL837 Sports Science with Exercise Physiology (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Tallaght: TU936 Sports Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE906 Recreation and Sports Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

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#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





Dunboyne was a great step from 6th year as I feel I am more ready for higher education now

## My experience

#### Diane McQuaid

#### Level 5 Pre-University Sports Science

Sports Science was the perfect choice for me because of my passion for sport and science subjects in secondary school. The modules within this course were very useful to me due to the fact that they included both practical and theoretical work.

Teachers helped us students every step of the way ensuring every question was answered in a friendly way.

Dunboyne was a great step from 6th year as I feel I am more ready for higher education now. It taught me many things such as referencing and being able to present in class, as well as doing lab experiments.

I am so glad I chose this course here in DCFE, as not only did it help me figure out I wanted to continue my studies to become a Physical Education Teacher, I also have made great friends here for life.

I had many opportunities here in DCFE, such as, work experience in my local gym, taking part in fitness classes, lab experiments, a tour to Croke Park and much more. I enjoyed my year here in Dunboyne and I highly recommend it to anyone.

## Pre-University Food Science, Nutrition, Health and Wellbeing

Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Food Science 5M5267



#### WHAT IS FOOD SCIENCE?

This one-year course prepares the student to explore Food Science and the principles of food processing with a view to gaining employment or progressing to further education or training in science, as a food scientist and in the agriculture sector.

A food scientist applies their knowledge of biology and chemistry to develop and improve foods and has a role to play in all aspects of the food chain from production, to processing, storage and marketing.

This course gives a solid introduction to Food Science and Technology for students who wish to pursue a Food Science Degree in universities.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Food Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Food Processing
- Nutrition
- Microbiology
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- · Laboratory Techniques

- · Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work
- Psychology
- Understanding Mental Health
- Behavioural Studies

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES** 

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, UCD, DCU, TUD City Campus/Tallaght, South East Technological University Carlow, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, UCC, Atlantic Technological University St. Angela's College Sligo as well as other ITs and colleges around the country or in the UK.

For example, there are up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses 10 places in Trinity in First Science for eligible QQI graduates.

Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a science aptitude.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

#### **Progression Opportunities**

 Up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses 10 places in Trinity in First Science are available for eligible QQI graduates.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD City Campus:** TU881 Food Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE510 Food Science with Business (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU972 Human Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years) **UCD:** DN250 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years) **SETU Waterford:** SE502 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCC: CK505 Food Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

Mary Immaculate College: Education, Home Economics and Business Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**MTU Cork:** MT930 Home Economics and Business Teaching (Level 8, 5 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US950 Health Science with Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE501 Food Science Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

SE902 Nutrition and Exercise (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU882 Nutraceuticals in Health and Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU St. Angela's College:** AU989 Nutrition Food and Business Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Food Science 5M5267

## Pre-University Animal Science

Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Animal Care 5M2768



#### WHAT IS ANIMAL SCIENCE?

This course would suit students with a passion for working with animals, a willingness to work hard and an interest in biology.

Students will receive a solid foundation in Biology and basic Animal Science principles and practices while studying modules within the animal care sectors such as Animal Anatomy and Physiology, Animal Behaviour, Animal Welfare and Biology.

This course is an ideal base for students who intend to continue to study at higher education degrees in Veterinary Nursing, Bio-Veterinary and Animal Sciences.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Laboratory Techniques
- Maths
- Microbiology
- Biology
- Chemistry
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- · Safety and Health at Work
- · Animal Behaviour
- · Animal Welfare

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from this course may apply for Veterinary Nursing degrees in major Universities and ITs. TUD also accept this course for entry to general Science and Bioscience degrees.

This course links with General Science in UCD (e.g. Zoology) and Agricultural Science in UCD. Other graduates have gone onto further study in Wildlife Biology (Munster Technological University Tralee), Marine Biology (Atlantic Technological University GMIT), Bio-Veterinary at Technological University of the Shannon Athlone or Munster Technological University Tralee.

Some graduates may progress to employment in Animal Behaviour, Dog Grooming, Animal Welfare, Stables, Kennels, etc. Some students use this award to apply to a wide range of courses in the UK.

#### **Progression Opportunities**

- This course prepares students for progression to Veterinary Nursing or Agricultural Science.
- Some students use this award to apply to a wide range of courses in the UK.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**UCD:** DN250 Agri-Environmental Sciences/ Agricultural Science (Zoology) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN 310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years) **UCD:** DN250 Animal Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US738 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Letterkenny:** AU271 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DKIT:** DK784 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

TUS Athlone: US867 Bio-veterinary Science

(Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN250 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE502 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TCD:** TR060 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Zoology Option) (Level 8, 4 Years)

MTU Tralee: MT880 Wildlife Biology

(Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level Level 5 Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Animal Care 5M2768

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Physiotherapy

#### Laboratory Techniques 5M3807



#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY PHYSIOTHERAPY?

This course is aimed at students interested in pursuing a career in Physiotherapy. Students who undertake this one-year course in Physiotherapy will gain an understanding of the principles and practices of rehabilitation and the treatment of injured, ill or disabled patients, through various therapeutic techniques, such as, exercise, massage and taping.

Students will develop an understanding of the human body and impaired mobility and its impact on human performance. They will gain an insight into various clinical settings and the implementation of client care and patient handling.

Students will gain the skills needed by the HSE to work in the healthcare sector, which will help them to understand therapy programmes and support clients in restoring or improving their mobility and overall function.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- Physiotherapy Assistant Therapy Theory
- Biology
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- · Laboratory Techniques
- Body Massage and Figure Analysis

- Kinesiology
- Care Support
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Communications
- · Work Experience

#### **Progression Opportunities**

- Graduates are eligible to apply directly for Physiotherapy undergraduate degrees in certain UK universities.
- Mature students can apply for Physiotherapy undergraduate degree programmes in Ireland or UK.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**DCU:** DC204 Athletic Therapy and Training (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE901 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US956 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU936 Sports Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU861 Health Science and Physiology (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU971 Health Science and Physical Activity (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Donegal:** AU170 Health Science with Physiotherapy Studies (Level 6, 2 Years). This programme allows students to progress to complete a BSc Hons in Physiotherapy at Coventry University

**TUS Athlone:** US951 Sports Science and Exercise Physiology (Level 8, 4 Years)

Graduates can progress to related undergraduate degrees in Ireland (e.g. Sports Rehabilitation, Athletic Therapy) and then apply for a Physiotherapy Masters programme in universities such as UCD and UL or in the UK.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to progress to related level 8 degrees and then to the level 9 Physiotherapy Masters in universities such as UL, UCD and UCC.

There are many progression options for students to study Physiotherapy in the UK. Graduates may also apply for several other related level 7 and 8 degrees in universities and IT's or private colleges around the country.

Mature students are eligible to apply for Physiotherapy undergraduate degrees in all universities.

On completion of this award students can progress on to potential employments as a Physiotherapy Assistant or as a Health Care Assistant in the Healthcare Industry.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

• Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

### Advanced Animal Science

#### Animal Science 6M5153

#### WHAT IS ADVANCED ANIMAL SCIENCE?

If you hold a QQI Level 5 related award in areas such as Animal Care Assistant, Equine Studies or Equine Breeding, then why not take the opportunity to undertake further studies in Advanced Animal Science.

This award is designed to build on knowledge and skills achieved at Level 5 to help students progress into supervisory careers or into higher level options of study.

This level 6 award will equip you with the necessary knowledge, skills and competence for all aspects animal science. These qualifications can be used to gain advanced entry to degree programmes in third level institutes.



The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Animal Science and Health
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Canine Obedience and Training
- Kennel and Cattery Managment
- · Animal Behaviour
- Humans Animals and Society
- · Investigative Studies
- · Animal Grooming
- · Business Management

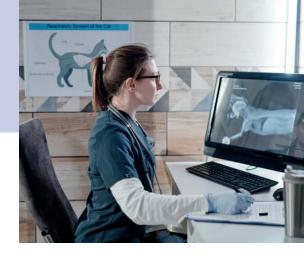
#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from the Level 6 programme may apply for advanced entry on a range of level 7 or level 8 degree programmes in many universities or technological universities around the country.

Alternatively, graduates may seek immediate employment in a range of business/industry areas. Graduates from this course may access Veterinary Nursing degrees in major universities. TUD also accept this course for entry to General Science and Bioscience degrees.

This course links with General Science in UCD (e.g. Zoology) and Agricultural Science in UCD. Other graduates have gone onto further study in Wildlife Biology (Munster Technological University, Tralee), Marine Biology (Atlantic Technological University, GMIT), Bio-Veterinary at Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone or Munster Technological University, Tralee.

Some graduates may progress to employment in Animal Behaviour, Dog Grooming, Animal Welfare, Stables, Kennels, etc. Some students use this award to apply to a wide range of courses in the UK.



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**UCD:** DN250 Agri-Environmental Sciences/ Agricultural Science (Zoology) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN 310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years) **UCD:** DN250 Animal Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US738 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Letterkenny:** AU271 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DKIT:** DK784 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US867 Bio-veterinary Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**NUIG:** GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years) GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN250 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years) **SETU Waterford:** SE502 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TCD:** TR060 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Zoology Option) (Level 8, 4 Years)

MTU Tralee: MT880 Wildlife Biology (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 6 in Animal Science 6M5153

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Level 5 Animal Care 5M2768 or equivalent
- All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



I felt this year was a great stepping stone between secondary school and college.
I believe this has benefited me massively as I learned new skills, prepared for college.

## My experience

#### Michaela Gavigan

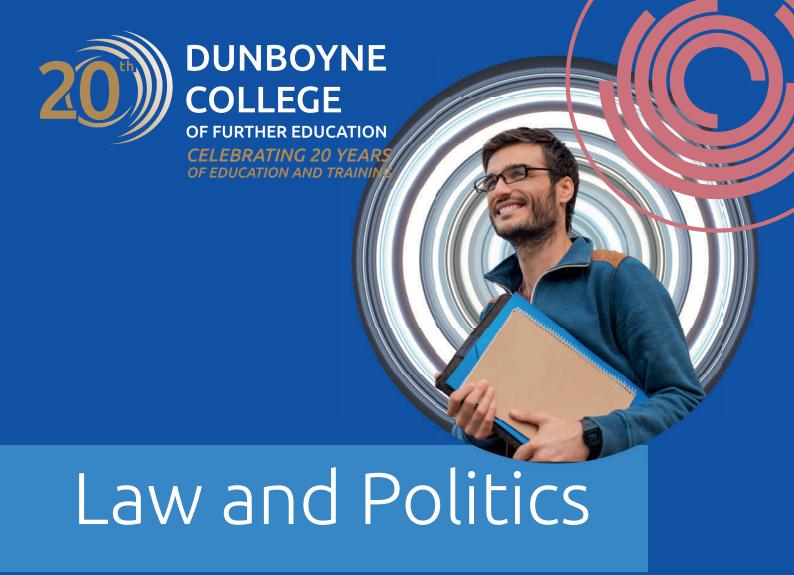
#### Level 5 Pre-University Sports Science

My year in Dunboyne College has been an incredible experience as I went into the course feeling unsure about what I wanted to study and it has completely cemented my wish to study sports science.

Having only done biology in 6th year, I wanted to get a taste of the other science subjects such as chemistry and physics. After completing this course I have fallen in love with these subjects. This is with thanks to the amazing tutors, their support cannot be recognised enough as I felt they were an integral part of the year for me, always there and happy to help with anything.

Another reason I wanted to do this course in Dunboyne was to have a feel for college life before jumping straight into a three or four year course. I felt this year was a great stepping stone between secondary school and college. I believe this has benefited me massively as I have learned skills such as referencing and uploading assignments and I am now very excited and feel extremely prepared going into college.

I found the course content to be very interesting, informative and a joy to study. I would highly recommend this course and I had the most amazing year.



Pre-University Law

Pre-University Law with Politics

Pre-University Business Law

Pre-University Politics, Economics and Social Science



## Pre-University Law

### Legal Studies 5M3789

#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY LAW?

This one-year course will prepare students for entrance into Law and Arts programmes in Irish universities and colleges.

It will also prepare students to work in a legal environment both in Ireland and abroad. By progressing to a Law degree and then on to a post graduate qualification, students can access the many opportunities available to those with a legal qualification.

This course lays the foundation for those who know Law is their first choice and supports those who are planning to study Law at degree level. Graduates of this course have successfully qualified as solicitors on completion of further studies.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Criminal Law
- Business Law
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- · Word Processing
- · Work Experience
- · Communications
- Criminology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Political Studies
- · Family Law

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are places on Law and Legal Studies degrees in TCD, UCC, DCU, TUD City Campus, Maynooth University including; St. Patrick's College Maynooth, South East Technological University Waterford/Carlow, NUIG, DBS, Shannon College, Atlantic Technological University Letterkenny.

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, UCC, Mater Dei for students who hold a QQI qualification in Legal Studies.

There are also many other opportunities in law or legal studies programmes in third level colleges all around Ireland.

We also have a very close link with Bangor University in Wales. In addition, there are opportunities in European administration, local heritage concerns, the public sector as well as in the business world through insurance, banking, or international trade.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



#### **Progression Opportunities**

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, UCC, Mater Dei for eligible students who hold a QQI qualification in Legal Studies.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

UCD: DN600 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH501 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

MH101 Arts with Law (Level 8, 3 years) **NUIG:** GY251Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE404 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU918 Law (LL.B.)

(Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC232 Law and Society (BCL) (Level 8, 3 years)

DC231 International Relations (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC189 Globall Challanges (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC292 Arts (Joint Honours) Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

TCD: TR004 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIM: MH502 Law and Criminology (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### CERTIFICATION

Level 5 in Legal Studies 5M3789

## Pre-University Law with Politics

### Legal Studies 5M3789 or General Studies 5M3114



## WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY LAW WITH POLITICS?

This one-year course will prepare students for entrance into Law and Arts programmes in Irish universities and colleges. It will also prepare students to work in a legal environment both in Ireland and abroad.

This law course option is available with political studies. Law and politics are two distinctive disciplines that are often intrinsically connected. Students will have the opportunity to explore legal and political theory while developing critical research and communication skills.

Graduates with a degree in this area have a broad range of career options, such as, in law, consultancy, public sector roles, political roles, public affairs and advocacy.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Criminal Law
- Political Studies
- European Studies
- · Business Law
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Word Processing
- Work Experience
- · Communications
- Rezearch and Study Skills
- Criminology
- Family Law
- · Conflict Resolution

#### **Progression Opportunities**

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, UCC, Mater Dei for eligible students who hold a QQI qualification in Legal Studies.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**DCU:** DC295 Arts (Joint Honours) Politics

(Level 8, 3 Years)

DC230: Economics, Politics and Law

(Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DC231: International Relations (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC189: Global Challenges (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC292: Arts (Joint Honours) Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

NUIM: MH101 Arts - Politics/Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE404 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN600 Law with Politics (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN530 History and Politics – Humanities

(Level 8, 4 Years)

UCC: CK101 Arts - Politics (Level 8, 3 Years)

NUIG: GY132 Government

(Politics, Economics and Law) (Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR004 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH501 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are places for graduates of this course on Law and Legal Studies degrees in TCD, UCC, DCU, TUD City Campus, Maynooth University incl. St. Patrick's College Maynooth, South East Technological University Waterford / Carlow, NUIG, DBS, Shannon College, Atlantic Technological University Letterkenny.

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, UCC, Mater Dei, and many Universities for eligible students who hold a QQI qualification in Legal Studies.

There are also many other opportunities in law or legal studies programmes in third level colleges all around Ireland.

We also have a very close link with Bangor University in Wales. In addition, there are opportunities in travel and tourism, European administration, local heritage concerns, the public sector as well as in the business world through insurance, banking, or international trade.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Legal Studies 5M3789 or Level 5 General Studies 5M3114

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Business Law

#### Legal Studies 5M3789 or Business Studies 5M2102



#### WHAT IS WHAT IS BUSINESS LAW?

This one-year course prepares students for entrance into law and arts degrees in Irish universities and colleges.

It also prepares students to work both in a legal environment in Ireland and abroad as well as in the legal departments of the business world.

This law course option is available with additional modules in Business Administration, Applied Economics and Accounting Manual and Computerised.

This course will also help those who want to study legal, business or combination courses in universities.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Criminal Law
- Business Law
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Word Processing
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Business Administration
- Applied Economics
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)
- Safety and Health at Work

#### **Progression Opportunities**

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, UCC, Mater Dei for eligible students who hold a QQI qualification in Legal Studies.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

UCD: DN610 Business and Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC292 Arts (Joint Honours) Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU904 Business and Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts (Law/Business) (Level 8, 3 Years, MH502 Law and Business (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US848 Business and Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE402 Business and Law

(Level 8, 4 Years)

**NUIG:** GY250 Law and Business (Level 8, 3 Years) **TCD:** TR580 Law/Business Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC189 Global Challenges (Level 8, 4 Years)

(Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: SE405 Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

SETU Carlow: SE403 Business with Law

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are places on Law and Legal Studies degrees in UCC, DCU, TUD City Campus/Tallaght, Maynooth University incl. St. Patrick's College Maynooth, South East Technological University Waterford / Carlow, NUIG, DBS, Shannon College, Atlantic Technological University Letterkenny.

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University as well as places in UCD, DCU, UCC, Mater Dei and other universities for graduates who hold a QQI qualification in Legal Studies.

There are also other opportunities in law or legal studies programmes in third level colleges all around Ireland and in England. We have, for example, a very close link with Bangor University in Wales.

There are also opportunities in travel and tourism, European administration, local heritage concerns as well as in the public sector and business world through insurance, banking, or international trade.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 in Legal Studies 5M3789 or Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Politics, Economics and Social Science

Business Studies 5M2102 or General Studies 5M3114



## WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY POLITICS, ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE?

This interdisciplinary course combines the study of Politics, Economics and Social Science and gives an understanding of the interactions between economic, social and political processes.

This course covers how governments, policies and international relations work, learning to understand people and businesses, markets and governments, and how to respond to national and global changes, whilst understanding society, human behaviour and relationships.

Students will have the option of taking a language, Irish, French or Spanish, along with European Studies. These qualifications can be used to progress to a variety of degree and certificate programmes in a wide range of Universities.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Applied Economics
- European Studies
- Political Studies
- Intercultural Studies
- Interpersonal and Group Behaviour
- Business Administration and Skills
- Marketing Practice

- Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work
- Language Option
- · Communications
- · Research and Study Skills
- Work Experience
- Mathematics

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**UCD:** DN700 Philosophy, Politics and Economics – Social Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

DN750 Social Policy and Sociology (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC230 Economics, Politics and Law (Level 8, 3 or 4 Years)

DC295 Arts - Politics (Level 8, 3 Years)

DC231 International Relations (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC189 Global Challenges (Level 8, 4 Years)

DC238 Social Sciences and Cultural Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts – Economics / Politics (Level 8, 3 Years)

MH107 Social Science (Level 8, 3 Years)

MH101 Arts (Politics and International Relations) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Trinity:** TR081 Business, Economics and Social Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE920 Social Science (Level 8, 3 Years)

**NUI Galway:** GY132 Government (Politics, Economics and Law) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU902 International Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may pursue a degree in many Universities. Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of public service bodies or business. There is now a large range of certificates, ordinary and honours degree courses available to graduates on the newly expanded QQI Links Programme.

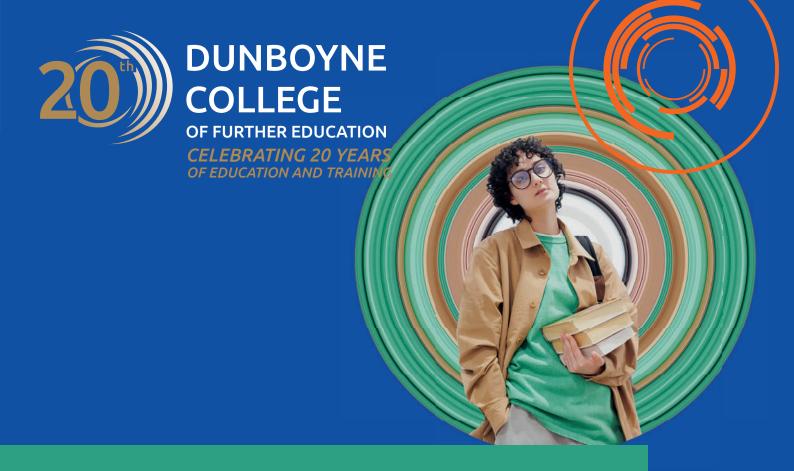
The Pre-University Politics, Economics and Social Science option will allow students to progress to third level colleges and universities like Maynooth University, Trinity, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, TUD, DCU, Dundalk Institute of Technology. Graduates can also access the 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102 or Level 5 General Studies 5M3114

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

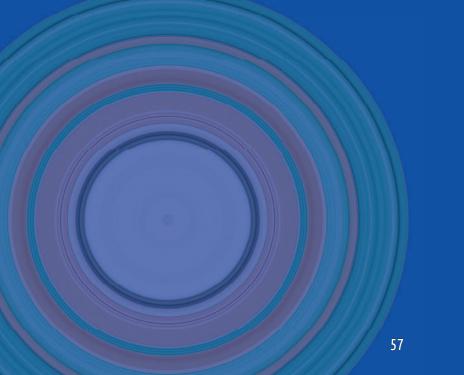


## Arts

Pre-University Arts

Pre-University Liberal Arts

Theatre Studies and Performance





## Pre-University Arts

Culture and Heritage Studies 5M2154 or Language and European Studies 5M2073

#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY ARTS?

This one-year course will aim to prepare students for entrance into Arts programmes in Irish universities and colleges as well as preparing students to work in a European environment both in Ireland and abroad.

Students will be able to take this cultural option through Archaeology, Folklore and History modules or concentrate on a language option with European Studies.



#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Local History
- History
- Political Studies
- Philosophy
- Intercultural Studies
- Research and Study Skills
- Communications

- Folklore and Ethnology
- Word Processing
- Archaeology
- Work Experience
- · Language option
- European Studies

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years) DCU: DC009 Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

UCD: DN 520 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE200 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TCD:** TR277 English Literature / Modern Language (Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR023 English Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

DCU: DC118 Business and Irish (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DKIT: DK861 (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue certificate or degree courses in TCD, UCD, DCU, TUD City Campus/Tallaght, South East Technological University Carlow, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, UCC, Atlantic Technological University St. Angela's College Sligo as well as other ITs and colleges around the country or in the UK.

For example, there are up to 21 places in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD science courses 10 places in Trinity in First Science for QQI graduates.

Alternatively, students may seek immediate employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with a science aptitude.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 in Culture and Heritage Studies 5M2154 or in Language and European Studies 5M2073

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Liberal Arts

General Studies 5M3114 or Language and European Studies 5M2073

#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY ARTS?

This one-year course, similar to our other arts programme, aims to prepare students for entrance into Arts degrees in Irish universities and colleges, as well as preparing students to work in a European environment both in Ireland and abroad. The Liberal Arts option attributes more of a focus on The Arts, English Literature and European languages. Students will have the option of taking a language, Irish or Spanish, along with European Studies or can focus on a more English Literature based course, which will lead to a general studies option.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Research and Study Skills
- History
- Communications
- Work Experience
- English Literature
- Literary Visual and Performing Arts
- · Creative Writing
- Word Processing
- Political Studies
- European Studies
- · Language option
- Philosophy



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

DCU: DC009 Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

UCD: DN 520 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

NUIG: GY101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE200 Arts (Level 8. 3 Years)

TCD: TR277 English Literature / Modern Language

(Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR023 English Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC118 Business and Irish (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: Arts (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DKIT: DK861 (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, Mater Dei, Milltown, UCC, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, South East Technological University Carlow, NUIG, TUD, St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra, Marino Institute of Education, American College Dublin, Dun Laoghaire IADT, NCAD, and other colleges and universities for students who hold a QQI qualification in General Studies or Language and European Studies.

There are also opportunities in education, travel and tourism, European administration, local heritage concerns as well as in the business world through insurance, banking, or international trade.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 General Studies 5M3114 or Level 5 Language and European Studies 5M2073

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Theatre Studies and Performance







#### WHAT IS THEATRE STUDIES AND **PERFORMANCE?**

This course will facilitate students to appreciate and learn the skills of Theatre performance, including acting, directing, stage design and production. Through a combination of lectures, workshops and practical exercises students will develop an array of skills. Students will acquire the skills and knowledge to bring characters and stories to life on stage. In addition to this, you will develop a knowledge of theatre throughout the years and gain a good understanding of Ireland's most prolific playwrights.

#### Course overview

Acting: Students will learn the fundamentals of acting, which include and incorporate techniques for character development, voice projection, including; mime, movement, and improvisation. Students will also have an opportunity to study Irelands greatest performers and liaise with those in industry, with the opportunity to perform scenes from classic and contemporary plays.

Directing: The ability to direct plays a pivotal role in theatre performance and students will have the opportunity to become ensconced in the creative process, including reading scripts, casting, and working with actors. You will also have the opportunity to direct scenes from plays and receive feedback from peers and teachers.

Stage Design: Stage design is integral to theatre performance and students will have an opportunity to learn the basics of stage design, which includes set construction, lighting, sound and costume design. You will also explore the relationship between stage design and performance and how to create a cohesive and effective visual aesthetic for a production.

Production: You will gain first-hand experience of producing a play, including managing budgets, scheduling rehearsals, marketing and PR. You will also develop skills in team building in bring a production to fruition.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Performance Craft
- Theatre Studies
- Acting Skills and Techniques
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Music Performance
- Event Production
- Technical Skills for Theatre
- Production

- · Sound Engineering and

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

MTU Cork: MT938 Musical Theatre (Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR025 Drama and Theatre Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY118 Arts (Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies) (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE200 Arts - Theatre Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

Mary Immaculate College: MI002 DTS Drama and Theatre Studies Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK770 Theatre and Film Practice

ATU Sligo: AU824 Performing Arts (Theatre Design) (Level 7, 3 Years)

MTU Cork: MT939 Theatre and Drama Studies (Level8, 4 Years)

**UCC:** CK112 Theatre and Performative Practices (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are now over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University, 30 places in UCD as well as numerous places in DCU, Mater Dei, Milltown, UCC, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, South East Technological University Carlow, NUIG, TUD, St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra, Marino Institute of Education, American College Dublin, Dun Laoghaire IADT, NCAD, and other colleges and universities for students who hold a QQI qualification in General Studies or Language and European Studies.

#### CERTIFICATION

Level 5 Theatre Performance 5M5163





# Business & Accountancy

Advanced Pre-University Business

Human Resource Management

Pre-University Business, Finance and Accounting

Accounting Technician Apprenticeship

Auctioneering, Valuation and Estate Agency

Logistics and Distribution

Office Administration - Legal and Medical Secretary

Office Accounts, Administration and Information

Processing

Tourism and Business with Event Management
Online Marketing / eBusiness



## Pre-University Business

#### Business Studies 5M2102



#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY BUSINESS?

This one-year course is an ideal entry level qualification for all aspects of the business world. There is a large demand for people with business skills in the world of work.

This course also gives students an opportunity to study the area of sales and marketing and progress directly to employment or third level. Marketing is a specialised area within the business world that could lead to a long and rewarding career.

These qualifications can be used to progress to certificate and degree programmes in Technological Universities or universities.

There are QQI Level 6 Certificate available in this area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Marketing Practice
- Communications
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)
- Business Administration Skills
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Applied Economics
- Mathematics
- · Language option
- Taxation
- Start Your Own Business

### The following may be offered as options on this course

- Financial Services
- Taxation
- Start Your Own Business

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**DCU:** DC111 Business Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years), DC240 Marketing Innovation and Technology (MINT) (Level 8, 4 Years), DC110 International Business (Level 8, 4 Years), DC189 Global Challenges (Level 8, 4 Years), DC112/113/114/116 Global Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK816 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TCD:** TR081 BESS – Business, Economics and Social Studies BESS (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH404 Business (Level 8, 3-4 Years), MH412 Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years), MH101 Arts (Level 8, 4 years)

UCD: DN650 Commerce (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DCU: DC231 International Relations (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU903 Business and Management (Level 8, 4 years)

TUD - Blanchardstown: TU902 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

NCI: NC009 Business (Level 8, 3 years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue a degree in many universities or technological universities around the country or, alternatively, may seek immediate employment in a range of business or marketing areas. There are now a large range of certificates, ordinary and honours degree courses available to graduates on the newly expanded QQI Links Programme.

The Pre-University Business option will allow students to progress to third level colleges and universities like Maynooth University, TCD, UCD, NCI, Technological University of the Shannon, TUD-Blanchardstown/City Campus/ Tallaght, DCU, Dundalk Institute of Technology. Business Graduates can also apply for entry on the over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University reserved for QQI entrants.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102 or 5M0828

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Advanced Pre-University Business

Business Studies 6M4985 or Office Administration 6M5013



## WHAT IS ADVANCED PRE-UNIVERSITY BUSINESS/OFFICE ADMINISTRATION?

If you hold a QQI Level 5 Business related award, then why not take the opportunity to undertake further studies in advanced Business. Our level 6 award will equip you with the necessary knowledge, skills and competence for all aspects of the business world. There is a large demand for people with business skills in the world of work. These courses will enable students to gain the skills necessary to manage the administration of any company or small business.

Students will learn about the administration skills required to do their job to a high standard and to supervise others within the administration department. The overall aim of the course is to provide the student with the opportunity to acquire the skills and competence to work independently or in a supervisory capacity and administrative role in the private, public or voluntary sector. These qualifications can be used to gain advanced entry to degree programmes in third level institutes.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Business Management
- Communications
- Work Experience
- · Administration Practice
- Spreadsheets
- · Word Processing
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Supervisory Management
- · Book-keeping

#### This course has an additional entry requirement

Level 5 a related discipline

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**DKIT:** DK816 Business (Level 8), DK710 Business and Management (Level 7)

DCU: DC111 Business Studies (Level 8)

**TUD:** TU903 Business and Management (Level 8), TU772 Business (Level 7)

**TCD:** TR081 BESS – Business, Economics and Social Studies BESS (Level 8)

Maynooth University: MH404 Business (Level 8)

UCD: DN650 Commerce (Level 8)

**DCU:** DC240 Marketing Innovation and Technology (MINT) (Level 8), DC110 International Business (Level 8), DC189 Global Challenges (Level 8, DC112/113/114/116 Global Business (Level 8)DC231 International Relations (Level 8)

NCI: NC009 Business (Level 8)

TUD - Blanchardstown: TU902 Business (Level 8)

Maynooth University: MH412 Business and Sports

Science (Level 8), MH101 Arts (Level 8)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from the Level 6 programme may apply for advanced entry on a range of level 7 or level 8 degree programmes in many universities or technological universities around the country. Alternatively, graduates may seek immediate employment in a range of business or marketing areas.

The Pre-University Business option will allow students to progress to third level colleges and universities like Maynooth University, TCD, UCD, NCI, Technological University of the Shannon, TUD-Blanchardstown/City Campus/ Tallaght, DCU, Dundalk Institute of Technology. Business Graduates can also apply for entry on the over 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University reserved for QQI entrants.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 6 Business Studies 6M4985 or Level 6 Office Administration 6M5013

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Level 5 in a related discipline;
- Mature Students; or
- · Other equivalent qualification(s)

## Human Resource Management

#### Business Studies 5M2102



## WHAT IS HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT?

This one-year course is aimed at students who wish to develop their knowledge of Human Resource Management and offers an ideal entry level to both higher education training and employment. Students will also study many other general business areas, which allows for general business progression after the course also.

After further study, the course can lead to opportunities in HR departments across a wide range of public and private sector organisations.

Many large companies have a Human Resources department while smaller companies can have one or two trained staff members who look after HR issues such as recruitment, staff training, labour law and other general Industrial Relations issues.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Human Resources
- Behavioural Studies
- · Marketing Practice
- · Business Administration
- Communications
- Work Experience
- · Business Law
- · Customer Service
- Word Processing
- Mathematics

#### **Progression potential**

Students will also study many other general business areas, which allows for general business progression after the course also.

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**DBS** DB515: Business Studies (Human Resource Management) (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD** TU906: Human Resource management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**NCI** NC005: Human Resource Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU: Carlow** SE401: Human Recourse Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU: Carlow SE401:** Human Recourse Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

**Ulster University Belfast** N600: Human Resource Management 3 Years

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts with Business (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD Tallaght** TU932: Business Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght** TU104/TU903: Business Management (Level 7and8, 3 or 4 Years)

DCU DC111: Business Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from this course can access many university and college degrees throughout the country. There are places available to students NCI, TU Dublin and DBD directly on Human Resource Management degrees. Students may also progress to Business and Marketing degrees among others within universities such as Maynooth, DCU and UCD and in technological universities throughout the country.

Students can progress to work in areas such as human resources or marketing within small and large companies at entry level or assistant levels.

With the Business element to this course, students can progress to work as administrators in many other types of offices.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Tourism with Business 5M2011 or Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Business, Finance and Accounting

Business Studies 5M2102 or Business Administration 5M2468



### WHAT IS BUSINESS, FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING?

Students who undertake this one-year course in Business, Finance and Accounting will gain an excellent foundation for progression to degree courses or to go directly into the work-place.

This practical course will enable students to gain skills in accounting, book-keeping, payroll, marketing, communications and information technology. this area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Taxation
- · Marketing Practice
- Communications
- · Accounting (Manual and Computerised)
- · Business Administration Skills
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- · Applied Economics
- Mathematics
- Start Your Own Business

### The following may be offered as options on this course

- Business Law
- Language Option Available

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**DCU:** DC115 Accounting and Finance (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU910 Accounting (Level 8, 3 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH403 Accounting and Finance (Level 8, 3 Years)

MH401 Finance (Level 8, 3 years)

MH101 Arts (Level 8, 4 years)

NCI: NC022 Accounting and Finance (level 8, 3 Years)

UCD: DN650 Commerce (Level 8. 3-4 years)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU775 Accounting and Finance (Level 7, 3 years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course offers students a large variety of progression routes in the business and accounting sectors. These include degrees at both Level 7 and 8 in universities and technological universities or private colleges throughout the country. Colleges include DCU, NCI, UCD, TUD Blanchardstown, City Campus and Tallaght, Dundalk Institute of Technology, South East Technological University Waterford and many more.

Students can also apply for First Arts at Maynooth of which there are now 175 places available and take Business and/ or Accounting as a subject. Alternatively, students may seek employment in a wide range of business within the business and accounting sector.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102 or Level 5 Business Administration 5M2468

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Accounting Technician Apprenticeship

Advanced Certificate in Accounting PG24348



## WHAT IS ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN APPRENTICESHIP?

The Accounting Technician Apprenticeship is a two-year, work-based learning programme which leads to a Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Accounting. It is a pathway to a career in Accounting. Unlike college courses, an apprenticeship is an opportunity to earn money and become qualified while you are learning on-the-job.

As an apprentice you will spend one day a week in Dunboyne College of Further Education during the academic year (off-the-job training) and work with an employer for the remaining four days (on-the-job training). Outside of term time you will be working with the employer five days a week (Monday - Friday).

The rate of pay is agreed between you and your employer. The employer pays you a salary while you are being trained on-the-job and off-the-job. Accounting Technician apprentices earn a minimum of €22,035 per annum during their apprenticeship.

Throughout the two years an apprentice will be supported by a college mentor and a workplace mentor assigned by their employer to oversee and support them during the on-the-job training period. Additional study in the evenings or at the weekend will be needed to ensure success in this apprenticeship.

This apprenticeship equips you with employable business skills and a strong technical knowledge of finance and accountancy practice. Everything you learn will support and inform your work with your employer, providing you with the opportunity to apply newly gained knowledge and skills on a daily basis.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The programme is divided into four modules each year, in addition to four work-based tasks, which contribute to the end of year module grade:

#### YEAR 1

- Taxation
- Business Law
- · Financial Accounting
- · Business Management

#### YEAR 2

- Advanced Taxation
- Management Accounting
- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Financial Data Management

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Upon graduation, you will be eligible to apply for membership of Accounting Technicians in Ireland (ATI). As a fully qualified Accounting Technician, you will have two years' work experience and access to a range of progression opportunities that offer exemptions and a pathway towards becoming a fully qualified Accountant.

Accounting Technicians Ireland graduates have valuable skills to perform accounting tasks, including book-keeping, accounts preparation, expense and VAT analysis, reporting and credit control, as well as specialist tasks in areas such as tax, audit and payroll.

On successful completion of your apprenticeship, you may work as an accounting technician or use the qualification to progress to a full qualification in accountancy or continue with advanced entry to relevant third level colleges.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Professional Accountancy Bodies offering progression opportunities with a range of exemptions available for Accounting Technician Apprentices after programme completion include:

- Chartered Accountants Ireland (CAI)
- Institute of Certified Public Accountants in Ireland (CPA)
- Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)
- Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

Students who complete the Accounting Technician Apprenticeship programme may transfer to year 2 or year 3 of bachelor's degrees in Business, Accounting and Finance in several technological universities.

Full details of progression opportunities to further study are available from Accounting Technicians in Ireland (ATI).

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 6 QQI Advanced Certificate in Accounting
- Professional Accounting Technician qualification

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants should have an interest in accounting and be able to commit to completing the apprenticeship while working in full-time employment over the two years. To become an apprentice, you must be hired by an employer. Apprenticeship employers are formally approved by SOLAS in advance of employing apprentices. Apprentices get a formal contract of employment as part of their apprenticeship. Places are awarded via a competitive interview process, where applicants who meet the entry requirements are put forward to participating employers for consideration. If you are successful at interview stage and accepted by an employer, your new employer will issue you with a two-year contract and you start your apprenticeship in September 2024.

- A minimum of 300 CAO points (or equivalent) within the last 5 years with a pass grade in English, and Maths or Accounting.
- If you sat the Leaving Certificate more than 5 years ago, you should have a minimum of 300 CAO points (or equivalent) with a D3 in Ordinary level English and Maths or Accounting.
- If you do not have a pass in Leaving Certificate English or equivalent, then you must be able to supply evidence of competency in written and spoken English.
- Students who hold other qualifications at level 5 should contact the college to discuss their application.
- Individual employers reserve the right to require additional entry requirements. For this apprenticeship you apply via Accounting Technician's Ireland nominating Dunboyne College of Further Education as your preferred college. See https://www.accountingtechniciansireland.ie/study-ati/ accounting-technician-apprenticeship



## Auctioneering, Valuation and Estate Agency

Business Studies 5M2102

## WHAT IS AUCTIONEERING, VALUATION AND ESTATE AGENCY?

This one-year course will prepare students for a career as an Estate Agent, Property Manager or Property Valuer. It will enable them to gain understanding of how the property market functions.

By the end of the course students will be equipped with key Auctioneering and Estate Agency skills and will develop an understanding of economics, law, marketing and valuation among other skills. Estate Agents work within the residential and commercial buildings sector. They are typically involved in sales, lettings management, valuation and advertising properties.

Modules on this course will allow you to gain a base knowledge within the property sector allowing for progression towards further studies and gaining a licence enabling you to work as an Auctioneer/Estate Agent.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Applied Economics
- Marketing Practice
- · Business Administration
- Communications
- · Work Experience
- · Business Law

- Customer Service
- Word Processing
- Estate Agency Practice
- Valuation
- Mathematics



#### **Progression opportunity**

Apprenticeships are available in this sector.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD Bolton St:** TU836 Property Economics (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Bolton St:** TU731 Auctioneering, Valuation and Estate Agency (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US882 Property Valuation and Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK830 Building Surveying (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE704 Quality Surveying (Level 8, 4 years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from this course can access many university and college degrees throughout the country. There are places available to students in TUD TUS and DKIT on specific Estate Agency, Property and Valuation courses. Apprenticeships are available in this sector.

There are further options in technological universities, Munster Technological University, Atlantic Technological University and South East Technological University in other related areas, such as, Architectural Technology, Quantity Surveying and Construction Economics.

Students may also progress to Business degrees within universities such as Maynooth, DCU and UCD. Students can progress to work in areas such as Estate Agents, Property Valuers, Property Managers and Letting Agents. With the business element to this course, students can progress to work as administrators within an Estate Agency and in other types of offices.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Logistics and Distribution

#### Logistics and Distribution 5M2767

#### WHAT IS LOGISTICS AND DISTRIBUTION?

Logistics and Distribution includes the sourcing, storage and transportation of both components and finished products, it is the study of the business functions that form the link between raw materials and products and their smooth flow to the market using supply chain operations.

All businesses depend on Logistics and Distribution to service both their own internal needs and those of their clients

With the onset of Brexit and the global transformation in online shopping and Freight forwarding, there is a recognised shortage of qualified personnel in this industry and this qualification will assist you in gaining employment in this sector.

The knowledge gained in this course will prepare you for an entry level career, where you will be able to plan, implement and control efficiently and effectively the flow and storage of goods and services between the point of origin and the point of consumption to meet customer requirements.

During this course you will study industry specific key areas such as: Warehousing, Freight Forwarding, Inventory Control, Supply Chain Operations and Purchasing.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Warehousing
- Inventory Control
- Logistics and Distribution Purchasing

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES** 

- Freight Forwarding
- Communications
- Work Experience
- · Spreadsheet Methods
- · Word Processing
- Mathematics
- Supply Chain Operations



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Graduates from this course are eligible to apply through the CAO Higher Education Links Scheme for entry to year one on a range of programmes including:

**TU Dublin Aungier Street:** TU907 Logistics and Supply Chain Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US775 Road Transport Technology and Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

Logistics Institute apprenticeship Website: www.laa.ie

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Graduates of this course in Logistics and Distribution are qualified to apply for employment positions which may arise to work in purchasing administration and buying, supply chain analysis, warehouse administration and management, export/import industries, customer service and transport administration.

Graduates are eligible to apply through the CAO Higher Education Links Scheme for entry to year one on a range of programmes in a variety of third level institutes around the country or can progress to the Level 6 Logistics Associate Apprenticeship which is industry based.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 in Logistics and Distribution
- Manual Handling

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Office Administration - Legal and Medical Secretary

Office Administration 5M1997



### WHAT IS OFFICE ADMINISTRATION - LEGAL AND MEDICAL SECRETARY?

This one-year business administration course is designed for students who are interested in pursuing a career in administration and reception. Opportunities arise in a wide variety of different office environments including legal, medical, civil service, commercial and educational. Modules such as; Text Production, Reception, and Information and Administration, provide graduates with essential skills required for busy office environments.

This course also provides an excellent foundation for those wishing to pursue degree programmes in technological universities and universities or to obtain a place on Level 6 business programmes.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Information and Administration
- · Communications
- · Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Work Experience
- Text Production
- Spreadsheet Methods
- Medical Terminology
- · Word Processing
- · Legal Practice and Procedures
- Audio Transcription

#### **Progression Opportunity**

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**ATU:** AU801 Business Administration (Level 7, 3 Years)

**UL:** LM002 Arts-Public Administration and Leadership (Level8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK710 Business and Management (Level 7, 2 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts with Business (Level 8, 3 Years)

NCI: NC009 Business (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU902 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD - Tallaght: TU932 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level 8, 4 years)

**DCFE:** Advanced Office administration (Level 6, 1 year)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

### Last year this course had 100% employability within the Business sector.

This course enables graduates to take up employment in any business sector, including legal, medical, commercial, financial and educational offices. Graduates may also progress to QQI Level 6 or advance to degree programmes in TUD, Maynooth University, Technological University of the Shannon, NUIG, Marino Institute of Education, American College, Dun Laoghaire IADT, as well as a whole range of courses in technological universities around the country.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 in Office Administration 5M1997

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Office Accounts, Administration and Information Processing

Business Administration 5M2468 or Information Processing 5M2067



#### WHAT IS OFFICE ACCOUNTS, ADMINISTRATION AND INFORMATION PROCESSING?

This one-year course in office administration offers students the opportunity to gain varied and invaluable skills which are required to work in the area of business and office administration roles.

Students will develop competencies needed for working in various business environments, such as payroll, book-keeping, spreadsheets, restoring, retrieving and processing information, along with text production and word processing.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Business Administration Skills
- Bookkeeping Manual and Computerised
- Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience
- · Spreadsheet Methods
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Database Methods
- Desktop Publishing
- Information and Communication Systems
- Safety and Health at Work
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)

#### Family friendly timetable

Core modules will be scheduled between 10am and 2pm

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU775 Accounting and Finance (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU801 Business Administration (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU910 Accounting (Level 8, 4 Years)

NCI: NC022 Accounting and Finance (Level 8, 3 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE413 Business Information Systems (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DBS:** DB524 Business (Information Systems) (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DKIT:** DK816 Business Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts with Business/ Accounting (Level 8, 3 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCFE:** Advanced Office administration (Level 6, 1 year)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

### Last year this course had 100% employability within the Business sector.

This course will suit those who require a more flexible route to progression either in education or employment. Graduates are well placed to apply for degrees at Level 7 and 8 in technological universities or private colleges throughout the country. These include TUD, DCU, UCD, Maynooth, Dundalk Institute of Technology, South East Technological University Carlow, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, DBS and many more.

Students may progress to Level 6 awards in Dunboyne College of Further Education.

Many graduates will gain employment directly on completion of the course within the office administration and business sectors.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 in Business Administration 5M2468 or Level 5 Information Processing 5M2067

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





I had some difficulty with modern technology in the beginning, but Dunboyne College provided support through the Learning Hub which was a life saver

## My experience

Bernie Ennis

Level 5 Office Accounts, Administration and Information Processing

Bernie has progressed to employment

I began a full-time Business Administration and Office Accounts course in Dunboyne College in September 2020, as a mature student with a view to returning to work, which was a huge step for me.

Dunboyne provided me with a place where all my needs were met. I had some difficulty with modern technology in the beginning, but Dunboyne College provided support through a learning hub which was a life saver when assignments had to be handed in. It was like private tuition!

The course content covered a huge range of subjects, one was work experience which I was lucky enough to get and unbelievably I got a job from it, a three-day week which was my ideal. I am so delighted to have attended Dunboyne College which has a super support and education system. I would highly recommend it!



## Tourism and Business with Event Management

Tourism with Business 5M5011 or Business Studies 5M2102



#### WHAT IS BUSINESS AND TOURISM?

This one-year course is an ideal entry level course for those interested in developing skills to work in the growing tourism sector in Ireland.

This tourism programme has been designed to enable students to gain a broad understanding of the operations of the tourism industry and to facilitate their integration into the workplace or into further education and training.

It also allows students to appreciate the opportunities presented by the web and eBusiness to successfully market products and services. Many students progress to work in the travel and tourism sector.

The event production element focuses on the management and production of corporate, leisure and cultural events. This course gives students an opportunity to study the area of tourism and travel, both from the technology skills required and from the tourist industry perspective.

This qualification can be used to progress to certificate and degree programmes in technological universities or universities particularly in business departments.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Business Administration Skills
- Marketing Practice
- Tourism Information and Administration
- Tourism Principles and Practice
- Customer Service
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Work Experience
- Word Processing

- Safety and Health at Work
- · Language Option
- Hospitality and Accommodation Techniques
- Hotel Receptionist Diploma
- Event Production
- Safety and Health at Work
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)

#### Family friendly timetable

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**TUD City Campus:** TU747 Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU954 Event Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU953 Tourism and Digital Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU951 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU: Waterford:** SE921 Hospitality Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK750 Hospitality Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC240 Marketing Innovation and Technology (MINT) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**NUIG:** GY261 Business Studies in International Hotel Management (Shannon) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Shannon College of Hotel Management:** GY261 Business Studies in International Hotel Management (Shannon) (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 in Tourism with Business 5M2011 or Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue a degree in many technological universities around the country or, alternatively, may seek immediate employment in a range of tourist or other marketing areas. The Tourism and Business option will allow students to progress to colleges like TUD City campus, Tallaght, UCC, NUIG, Shannon College of Hotel Management (Shannon) for tourism and travel as well as other colleges for business certificates and degrees.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Online Marketing / eBusiness

Marketing 5M2069 eBusiness 5M0828



#### WHAT IS ONLINE MARKETING / eBUSINESS?

This one-year course is an ideal entry level qualification for all aspects of the growing online marketing sector in Ireland.

This online marketing programme allows students to appreciate the opportunities presented by the web and e-business to successfully market products and services. You might want to design a new website, manage a company's content for social media, or create an advert or campaign.

You will develop a broad range of practical web and social media technology skills and a detailed understanding of digital marketing.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Digital Marketing
- Marketing Practice
- eBusiness
- · Behavioural Studies
- · Applied Economics
- · The Internet
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- · Web Authoring
- Advertising
- Business Administration
- Start Your Own Business
- · Language Option

### The following may be offered as options on this course

- Advertising
- Start Your Own Business
- Language Option

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**Maynooth University:** MH404 Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC240 Marketing Innovation and Technology (MINT) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** 241 Digital Business and Innovation (Level 8, 4 Year)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU772 Business (Business and Information Technology) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK711 Business and Technology (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC131 Communications Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC291 Arts (Joint Honours) Media Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH101 Arts (Joint Honours) Media and Cultural Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU920 Digital Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES** 

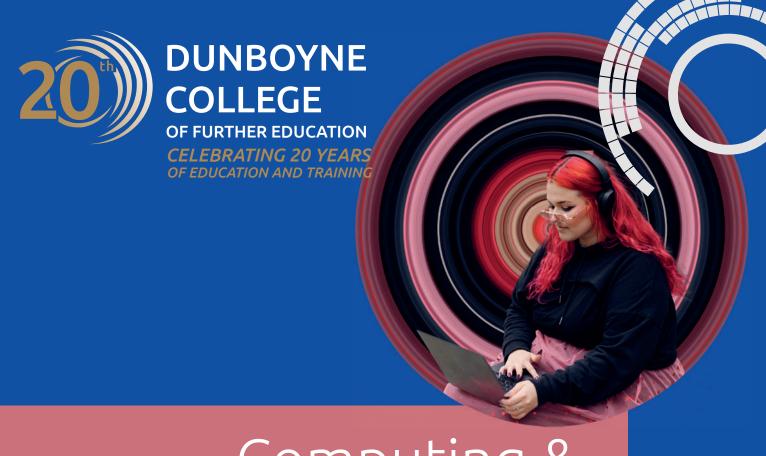
Graduates may pursue a degree in many technological universities around the country or, alternatively, may seek immediate employment in a range of marketing areas. The Digital Marketing option will allow students to progress to colleges like DCU, Maynooth, TUD, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, UCC, NUIG, for marketing courses as well as other colleges for general business or eBusiness certificates and degrees.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 in Marketing 5M2069 or Level 5 eBusiness 5M0828

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications



# Computing & Technology

Software Development and Games Design

Pre-University Computing, Networks and Software Systems

Creative Digital Media

Augmented and Virtual Reality



## Software Development and Games Design

Software Development 5M0529

## WHAT IS SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT AND GAMES DESIGN?

This comprehensive course offers a guided pathway for aspiring developers to enhance their expertise.

Master In-Demand Skills: In today's technology-driven world, software development skills are in high demand across industries. By enrolling in our course, you'll learn the fundamental principles of developing, software architecture, software design, and more.

You'll gain proficiency in popular programming languages such as Node JS, empowering you to create robust, scalable, and efficient software solutions. Additionally, this course covers the entire game development lifecycle, from conceptualization and storyboarding to level design, character creation, and gameplay mechanics. You'll learn programming skills for Unreal Engine, gaining proficiency in game development frameworks and tools.

Join our Software Development and Game Design Course to embark on an exhilarating learning journey, where you'll combine the technical prowess of software development with the imaginative artistry of game design.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Fundamentals of Object Oriented Programming
- Software Architecture
- Programming and Design Principles
- Database Methods
- · Maths for IT
- Web Authoring
- · Communications
- · Work Experience
- Games Analysis and Design

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students who qualify in this area can pursue further study and a career in computing and the games design sector. As a graduate of this course, you will have a skill set that will enable you to gain employment in the ever-growing games industry, working as part of a development team or in any area of the software development industry. This includes software developers, Games designer and developer.

Students can engage with FIT which is an IT led initiative that offers students the opportunity to acquire essential skills to gain employment in the thriving IT sector. QQI graduates are eligible to apply to universities and technological universities for Level 7 and Level 8 degree places in the following; TUD, Maynooth University, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, NUIG, Marino Institute of Education, American College, DBC and Dun Laoghaire IADT.

Graduates of this course can also apply for places reserved on First Arts in Maynooth for QQI entrants and select computer options. There are over 175 places available reserved for QQI entrants.



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**DKIT:** DK820 Computing in Games Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU DC121:** Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD DN201: Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK821 Computing and Software Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD: TU856 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU984 Game Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU713 Computer Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

**SETU:** SE603 Software Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE604 Software Systems Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US712 Software Design in Artificial Intelligence for Cloud Computing (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US715 Software Design with Mobile Apps and Connected Devices (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Software Development 5M0529

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Pre-University Computer Network Systems

Computer Systems and Networks 5M0536



### WHAT IS COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND NETWORKS?

This one-year course is for students who are interested in pursuing a career in the computer industry. It aims to prepare students for careers that require specialist knowledge in programming, network implementation and web technology.

This course also provides an excellent foundation for those wishing to pursue degree programmes in universities or those wishing to progress onto Level 6 programmes or apprenticeships.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Computer Systems Hardware
- Communications
- · Networking Essentials
- · Mathematics for IT
- Operating Systems
- Word Processing
- · Mobile Technologies
- · Programming and Design Principles
- Work Experience
- ICT Security Policy and Management

#### **Progression Opportunity**

There are over 175 places available reserved for QQI entrants on First Arts in Maynooth.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**Maynooth:** MH601 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK721 Computing (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU860 Computing Information Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU DC121: Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU DC190:** Electronic and Computer Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU812 Design, Technology and Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU716 Networking Technologies (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US827 Computer Network Systems and Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Angier Street:** TU811 Product Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students who qualify in this area can pursue further study and a career in: technical support, networking, computer manufacturing, and customer support, computer sales or marketing. They can also work with financial institutions, call centres and government departments.

QQI graduates are eligible to apply to technological universities and universities for follow-on courses such as linked courses in places like TUD, Maynooth University, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, TUD Blanchardstown, NUIG (Shannon), Marino Institute of Education, American College, Dun Laoghaire IADT. For example, students can apply for the over 175 places available in first arts in Maynooth University and take computer options.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Computer Systems and Networks 5M0536

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Creative Digital Media

#### Creative Media 5M5048



#### WHAT IS CREATIVE DIGITAL MEDIA?

This one-year course aims to offer students an introduction to the world of creative digital media, which is one of the fastest growing areas in the software industry as well as information technology which has been a growth area in Ireland for quite some time.

From computer games to computer generated movies and from educational multimedia to internet banking, creative media graduates are always in demand.

This course will provide an introduction to careers in the computing industry but will also provide an important stepping-stone to third level courses leading to exciting careers in the multimedia area.

During the course students may opt to seek work experience with organisations using multimedia and computers in everything from web application to games development.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Design Skills
- · Multimedia Authoring
- · Multimedia Project Development
- Work Experience
- Digital Photography
- · Graphic Design Skills
- · Image Processing
- · Design Skills
- Drawing
- Digital Marketing
- · Computer Illustration Graphics
- Word Processing
- Communications

#### **Further Study Opportunities**

There are further study opportunities in programmes that lead to advanced entry to Universities in the UK.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Maynooth University: MH601 Computer Science / Multi Media, Mobile and Web Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU981 Creative Digital Media (Level 8, 4 Years) DCU: DC133 Multimedia (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC241 Digital Business and Innovation (Level 8, 4 Year)

**DKIT:** DK863 Creative Media (Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL836 Creative Computing (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC131 Communications Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC291 Arts (Joint Honours) Media Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts (Joint Honours) Media and Cultural Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE611 Multi Media Application Development (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are now a large number of places in computer courses in universities and many technological universities for graduates who hold a QQI qualification in Creative Media or Information Technology. Students can also progress to Media Studies in Maynooth University or First Arts where there are over 175 places available for QQI entrants. There are also places in UCC, TUD, South East Technological University Waterford, Carlow and at Atlantic Technological University, Letterkenny.

There are many opportunities for employment in areas like web design, multimedia production, computer game production, advertising and so on. There are also many further study opportunities in QQI Level 6 courses and in programmes that lead to advanced entry to Universities in the UK.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Creative Media 5M5048

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Augmented and Virtual Reality

Creative Media 5M5048





WHAT IS AUGMENTED AND VIRTUAL REALITY?

This one-year course will aim to offer students an introduction to the world of Augmented and Virtual Reality, providing students with the knowledge and skills to develop, design and evaluate immersive experiences with virtual, augmented and mixed reality technologies.

Augmented and Virtual Reality is one of the fastest growing areas in the software industry, as well as, information technology which has been a growth area in Ireland for quite some time.

Over the last few years, VR has become more widely adopted due to increasing consumer and enterprise demand, growing use cases and a booming ecosystem. Virtual reality is most commonly used in entertainment applications such as video games, 3D cinema and areas including surgery, flight simulators and social virtual worlds.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Games Analysis Design
- · Computer Illustrated Graphics
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Computer 3 D Modelling and Animation
- · Computer Aided Design 3D
- · Safety and Health
- · Word Processing
- Illustration
- Multimedia Authoring

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Advanced Manufacturing Training Centre of Excellence (AMTCE) (LMETB) http://amtce.ie/

TUS Athlone: US715 Software Design

This course is run in conjunction with

(Level 7, 3 Years)

US713 Software Design for Virtual Reality and Gaming

(Level 7, 3 Years)

US821 Software Design for Virtual Reality and Gaming

(Level 8, 4 Years)

US822 Software Design with Artificial Intelligence

(Level 7, 3 Years)

Maynooth University: MH601 Computer Science / Multi-Media, Mobile and Web Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD – Blanchardstown:** TU981 Creative Digital Media (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU713 Computer Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU984 Game Design

(Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC241 Digital Business and Innovation

(Level 8, 4 Year)

DC121Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years),

DC131 Communications Studies (Level 8, 3 Years),

DC291 Arts (Joint Honours) Media Studies

(Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DC133 Multimedia (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK863 Creative Media (Level 8, 4 Years) DK820 Computing in Games Development

(Level 8, 4 Years)

DK821 Computing and Software Development

(Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL836 Creative Computing (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE611 Multimedia Application

Development (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The aim of this programme is to provide graduates with the knowledge, skills and competencies to design, build and evaluate immersive user experiences using virtual, augmented and mixed reality tools and technologies.

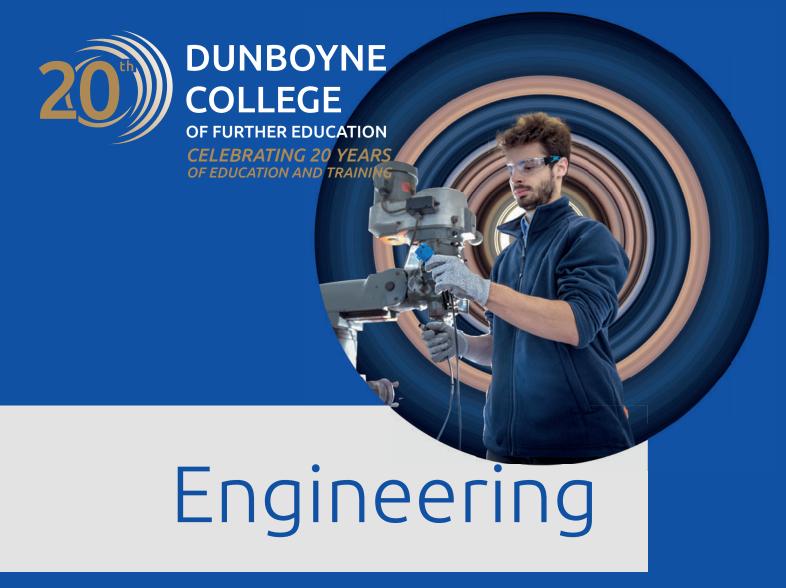
Graduates will acquire core competencies in computing, design and animation making them suitable for employment in immersive design and development across a range of industries and/or graduates are eligible to apply for degrees to universities and technological universities for level 7 and level 8 degree places throughout the country such as TUD, Trinity College, DCU, UCC, DKIT, MTU, ATU and TUS to mention a few.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

• Level 5 Creative Media 5M5048

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or:
- · Other equivalent qualifications



Pre-University Engineering



## Pre-University Engineering

#### Engineering Technology 5M2061

#### WHAT IS PRE-UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING?

Engineering is a highly diversified and exciting profession with a wide range of specialisms from mechanical, civil, electrical, computer, building, biomedical, structural, modern technologies, aircraft to mention a few.

Everything around us has been designed and mostly by Engineers. They are problem solvers and creative investigative people. From life-saving biomedical technology to energy-efficient housing and sustainable energy, engineers are developing innovative solutions for the benefit of society.

Many areas that future engineers will work in have not yet been created, which results in a very exciting sector for an individual to study and work. For those who wish to engage on a career in engineering, this course aims to prepare the student with an understanding of the field of engineering and will prepare students for entry into third level, through a range of practical and theoretical subjects

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Engineering Workshop Processes
- · Engineering Theory Workshop
- Computer Aided Draughting
- Engineering Drawing
- Electronics
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- Materials Science
- · Safety and Health at Work
- · Maths for STEM
- Physics

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students who graduate form this course are well prepared and have an understanding at a foundation level in engineering are and can pursue further study at degree level. QQI graduates are eligible to apply for degrees to Universities and Technological Universities for Level 7- and 8-degree places throughout the country such as TUD, Trinity College, DCU, UCC, DKIT, MTU, ATU, TUS to mention a few.

Students are well placed to gain apprenticeships in the many different engineering sectors through Generation Apprenticeship Ireland on such programmes as Manufacturing Engineering, Engineering Services Management and Equipment Systems Engineering.

Additionally, QQI level 5 award holders can apply for many non-related degree areas in Technological Universities and on some university degrees throughout the country.



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU804 General Engineering (Level 7and8, 3and4 Years)

**TUD Bolton St:** TU805 General Engineering (Level 7 and 8, 3 and 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU828 Mechanical Engineering (Level 7and8, 3and4 Years)

**DCU:** DC197 Biomedical Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE714 Aerospace Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US761Civil Engineering (Level 7 and 8, 3and4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK845 Electrical and Electronic Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH60/ MH602 Computer Science and Software Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Bolton St:** TU805 Building Engineering (Level 7and8, 3 and4 Years)

DCU: DC193 Mechatronic Engineering

**TUS Limerick:** US901 Renewable and Electrical Engineering (Level 7and8, 3and4 Years)

**MTU:** MT837 Sustainable Energy Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### CERTIFICATION

Level 5 Engineering Technology 5M2061

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





## Visual Art & Design

Art and Design with Portfolio

Animation

Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry

Creative Digital Media

Graphic Design

Architectural Technology and Design



## Art and Design with Portfolio

Art 5M1985

## WHAT IS AN ART AND DESIGN WITH PORTFOLIO COURSE?

This is a portfolio preparation and general art course for students who wish to gain entry to a third level art college in Ireland or abroad.

The emphasis will be placed on the preparation of a balanced portfolio as well as developing skills in the art, craft and design areas.

The portfolio, showing the student's individual sense of design and pattern, can use a wide variety of the modules covered on the course as well as the student's own interpretation of colour and design.

Depending on the combination of modules a student can achieve a qualification in Fine Art or Design/2D. This course had 100% progression in 2021 and 2022.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Drawing
- Printmaking
- Painting
- Communications
- Sculpture
- · Work Experience
- Design Skills
- Word Processing
- Embroidery
- Safety and Health at Work



This course had 100% progression in both 2021 and 2022.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

TUD City Campus: TU974 Fine Art (Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL 827 Art (Level 8, 4, Years)

**NCAD:** AD 101 First Year Art and Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US801 Art and Design Teacher Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US800 Art and Design (Common Entry) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Ulster University:** W232 Textile Art, Design and Fashion (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue an art diploma or degree in NCAD, TUD, IADT, Technological University of the Shannon, Limerick and Athlone, South East Technological University Carlow, Atlantic Technological University Sligo and Galway/Mayo, Munster Technological University Cork, UCC, Dun Laoghaire, Marino Institute of Education, Marino College, Ulster University.

They can also access level 7 courses in other areas in many of the Technological Universities around the country. Alternatively, a graduate may seek immediate employment in a range of art, design, craft or community arts type projects. Many students progress to QQI Level 6 or Higher National Diploma and degree programmes in Graphic Design, Interior Design, Fashion Design and so on.

#### CERTIFICATION

Level 5 Art 5M1985

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## **Animation**

#### Art 5M1985

#### WHAT IS ANIMATION?

Students who wish to learn the fundamentals of creation for 2D animated productions, will enjoy the practical and creative elements of this course.

Students will gain skills around character design, animation and creative development through specialist software. Focusing on both drawing and computer skills, students will understand what is required to develop a complete and successful portfolio.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Animation Layout Design
- Design Skills
- · Animation Drawing Studies
- Animation
- Painting
- Drawing
- Sculpture
- · Communications
- · Work Experience
- · Figure Studies

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

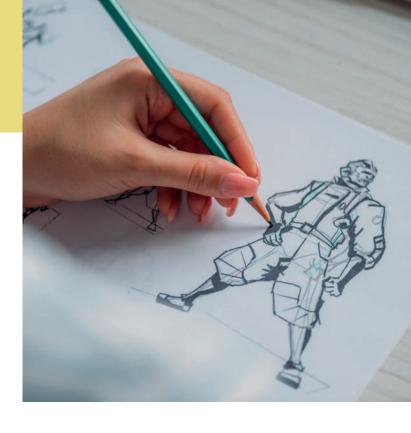
Graduates of the Art QQI Award can progress to the Higher National Diploma in Animation at Dunboyne College. Many degree courses are also available to progress to, including; Animation, Art, Film and Television, Graphic Design, Illustration and Production. These can be accessed at several universities and technological universities or private college such as TUD, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone and Limerick, Munster Technological University, Tralee, Atlantic Technological University, Letterkenny, IADT, NCAD, DCU, Maynooth University and Ulster University.

There are several courses at QQI Level 6 or HND that students can access. Many graduates seek direct employment within the sector.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or:
- Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Dunboyne College: HND Animation (Level 6, 2 Years)

IATD DL832: Animation (Level 8, 4 years)

**TUS Athlone:** US802 Animation and Illustration (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US805 Digital Animation Production (Level 8, 4 Years)

Griffith College: AM-BA Animation (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Letterkenny:** AU231 Animation (Level 7, 3 Years)

**Ulster University:** WW26 Animation (Level 8, 3 Years)

IADT: DL847 3D Animation (Level 8, 4Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Art 5M1985

## Higher National Diploma In The Animation Industry

BTEC Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry



#### WHAT ARE THE HIGHER NATIONALS IN ANIMATION?

From Cartoon Saloon to Brown Bag Films, from Boulder Media to Giant Animation, Irish studios have made Ireland a go-to destination for animation on an international stage. Irish animators not only boast box-office success, but also multiple nominations and wins at the Academy Awards.

According to Screen Ireland, the animation sector has nearly quadrupled in size in the past decade and accounts for a significant proportion of the €500 million spent in the Irish screen industry in 2021.

If there is one thing that is certain, this sector is calling for new home-grown talent to help support Irelands continuing success on the global stage.

This qualification has been designed for the Irish and global animation sector.

Through guest lectures and masterclasses, you will have a unique opportunity to learn from the leading Irish animation studios that have produced award-winning TV shows, films, games and visual effects for millions of viewers worldwide. You will gain hands-on experience with the latest tools and techniques, work on real projects with industry mentors, and network with the best talent in the Irish animation sector.

Whether you want to create your own stories, characters and worlds, or work on existing franchises and properties, this course will prepare you for a successful career in animation.

#### WHY STUDY HIGHER NATIONALS IN ANIMATION AT DCFE?

The Higher National in the Animation Industry is designed to help you

These qualifications will help you to:

- Gain the skills, knowledge and understanding you need to excel in the international animation environment, whether you want to work for an established studio or start your own business.
- Develop your critical thinking, problem-solving and leadership skills and learn how to work effectively across different animation functions and manage change and complexity.
- Acquire the core skills required for a range of animation careers, such as, management, operations, production and design.
- Balance your employability skills with the academic knowledge that will enable you to pursue further studies or entrepreneurial ventures in animation.
- Understand the impact of new digital technologies on the animation industry and how to leverage them for innovation and competitive advantage.
- Gain insight into the global animation market and the opportunities and challenges it presents, as well as, the cultural diversity and values of different animation organisations and audiences.
- Choose from various flexible study options that suit your local and specialist needs and interests.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Higher National Diploma's more extensive coursework and advanced skillset make its graduates more competitive in the job market and better prepared for various creative media roles. The two-year duration and deep focus of the Higher National Diploma at DCFE often leads to stronger connections with industry professionals and organisations, providing students with valuable networking opportunities and a better understanding of the media production landscape.

In addition, students will build an extensive portfolio of work to secure employment. Such is the practical nature of our course, it can lead directly to a range of job opportunities in the animation and creative media industry. Possible career paths include animator, script writer, technical artist, art director, layout artist and media engineer.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**CDCFE:** BA in Animation

(Level 8, 1-year top-up from HND)

**BCFE:** BA in Animation

(Level 8, 1-year top-up from HND)

IADT: DL832 Animation

(Level 8, 4 Years, advanced entry possible)

IADT: DL847 3D Animation

(Level 8, 4 Years, advanced entry possible)

TUS Athlone: US802 Animation and Illustration

layout artist and media engineer.

## Higher National Diploma In The Animation Industry

BTEC Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry



#### **COURSE CONTENT**

#### YEAR 1 DESCRIPTION

In the first year of our course, you will learn the principles of 2D animation, such as, timing, spacing, squash and stretch, anticipation and exaggeration. You will practice character animation, using both digital and traditional tools and develop your own style and personality. You will also improve your drawing skills, with a focus on life drawing for animation and learn how to use anatomy, gesture and expression to convey emotion and movement.

You will also learn how to design and model your own characters and environments for animation, using industry standard software. You will learn how to create layouts and storyboards that communicate your vision and narrative effectively. You will also learn how to write scripts for animation, using dialogue, action and structure to craft compelling stories. Finally, you will learn about the history and styles of animation, from the pioneers of the medium to the current industry leaders and discover how animation has evolved over time and across cultures.

By the end of the first year of our course, you will have a solid foundation in 2D animation, a portfolio of your own work and a passion for the art form. You will be ready to take on more advanced modules in the second year of our course, where you will explore 3D animation, visual effects, game design and more.

#### **YEAR 1 MODULES**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Principles of 2D Animation
- · Character Animation
- · Life Drawing for Animation
- Design and Modelling for Animation
- · Layout and Storyboarding
- Script Writing for Animation
- · History and Styles of Animation

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

At least one of the following:

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- QQI level 5 major award;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

Additional entry requirements may apply.

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

#### **YEAR 2 DESCRIPTION**

In the second year of our course, you will build on the foundation you acquired in the first year and learn advanced skills and techniques in 2D and 3D animation. You will enhance your character animation skills, using industry standard software and learn how to create realistic and expressive movements and emotions. You will also improve your life drawing skills, with a focus on anatomy, perspective and composition and learn how to apply them to your animation work.

You will also learn how to create advanced 2D and 3D models for animation. You will learn how to create detailed and realistic textures, lighting and shading for your models. You will also learn how to create advanced layouts and designs for animation. You will learn how to edit, composite and render your animation projects.

You will also gain production practice in animation, working on group projects that simulate real-world scenarios. You will learn how to plan, manage and execute your animation projects, from pre-production to post-production. You will also learn how to pitch, present and market your animation work. Finally, you will learn how to develop your own concept design for animation using industry-standard software. You will learn how to generate ideas, research and develop your own style and vision for animation.

By the end of the second year of our course, you will have advanced skills in 2D and 3D animation, a portfolio of professional-quality work and a creative identity as an animator. You will be ready to take on more challenging modules in the third year of our course, where you will specialise in your chosen area of animation.

#### **YEAR 2 MODULES**

- The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:
- · Advanced character Animation
- · Advanced Life Drawing for Animation
- Advanced 2D and 3D Modelling for Animation
- · Advanced Layout and Design
- · Production Practice
- · Concept Design for Animation
- · Storyboarding and Editing for Animation

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- YEAR 1: Pearson BTEC Higher National Certificate in The Animation Industry
- YEAR 2: Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry

## Graphic Design

#### Graphic Design 5M1995



#### WHAT IS GRAPHIC DESIGN?

This one-year course aims to offer students an introduction to the world of graphic design which is one of the fastest growing areas in the industry.

Graphic design is a means of communication, as well as, self-expression. It is about communicating visually in order to inform, educate, entertain or persuade.

Project work allows students to combine these essential skills with professional standard multimedia to explore logo design, concept development, image and much more.

This course will provide the introduction to careers in the graphic design industry but will also provide an important stepping-stone to third level courses leading to exciting careers in the computer design area.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Digital Photography
- · Graphic Design Skills
- · Image Processing
- Design Skills
- · Computer Illustration Graphics
- Word Processing
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- Drawing
- Digital Marketing

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There is now a large number of places in computer courses in universities and in many technological universities for students who hold a QQI qualification in Graphic Design. There are also places in DCU, TUD, Dublin, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, South East Technological University, Carlow, Dundalk Institute of Technology, Atlantic Technological University, Sligo and Letterkenny, Munster Technological University and Dun Laoghaire IADT.

There are many opportunities for employment in areas like graphic designer, illustrator, visual merchandiser, freelance designer, web designer and so on. There are also many further study opportunities in QQI Level 6 or HND courses.

#### **Future Opportunities**

There are many opportunities for employment in areas like graphic designer, illustrator, visual merchandiser, freelance designer or web designer.

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**Maynooth University:** MH601 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU DC015:** Post Primary Education Teacher-Technology, Graphics and Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU812 Design Technology and Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL826 Graphic Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Carlow:** SE202 Product Design Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

**NCAD:** AD102 Illustration and Graphic Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU811 Product Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US700 Graphic Design (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

• Level 5 Graphic Design 5M1995

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Architectural Technology and Design

#### Computer Aided Design 5M1940



## WHAT IS ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN?

This one-year course is designed to provide students with the valuable skills needed to work in the architecture and design sectors or to progress to third level options. Students will gain a firm foundation in Computer Aided Design (CAD), which is used to create graphics and make calculations needed in the production of drawings, three-dimensional simulations, models and other design work.

Students will be given the opportunity to prepare a portfolio in architecture or architectural technology to further aid their progression. Students will gain skills in the areas of building design and sustainability.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Architectural Drawing
- · Computer Aided Draughting (2D)
- Design Skills
- · Safety and Health at Work
- Mathematics
- Combined materials
- Drawing
- · Communications
- · Work Experience

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue degree courses such as Architectural Technology or Architecture at TUD South East Technological University, Waterford and Carlow, Atlantic Technological University, Sligo and Galway Mayo, Technological University of the Shannon, Limerick.

Graduates may also progress onto many other degrees at level 7 and level 8 in universities and technological universities or private colleges around the country, along with, progression options to the UK.

Alternatively, students may progress directly into employment.

#### **Future Opportunities**

Graduates of this course can progress onto the Post Primary Teacher – Technology, Graphics and Engineering Level 8 degree in DCU.

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**DCU DC015:** Post Primary Education Teacher-Technology, Graphics and Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU832 Architecture (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** SE701 Architecture (Level 8, 4 Years) SE703 Architectural and Building Information Modelling Technology (Level 7, 4 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU831 Architectural Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD TU975: Interior Design (Level8, 4 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU811 Product Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK831 Architectural Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Galway/Mayo:** AU537 Architectural Technology (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

• Level 5 in Computer Aided Design 5M1940

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

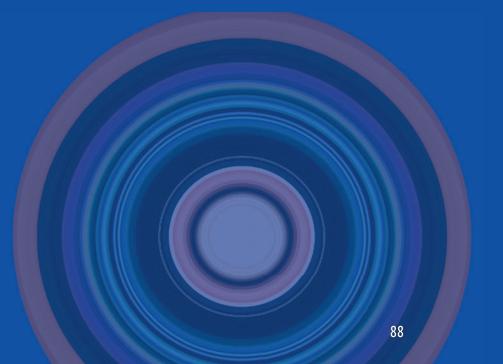
- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications





## Film & Media

Media and Film Production
Higher National Diploma in Film Production
Journalism, Digital Media and Public Relations





## Media and Film Production

#### Film and Television Production 5M18519



#### WHAT IS MEDIA PRODUCTION?

This course offers students the opportunity to develop knowledge and essential skills in the various fields of Media Production.

The Media and Film Production course is designed to prepare students for further study or a career in the Media Industry.

It provides an introduction to skills required in Journalism, Film Making, Radio Production, Design, etc. where students will utilise professional equipment and software. It will also provide valuable foundation skills for further study in areas like communications, journalism, and audio-visual studies.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Television and Film Editing
- · Film Production
- · Radio Programme Production
- · Writing Skills for Journalism
- · Teamworking
- Work Experience
- Animation Drawing Studies
- Cinematography and Camera operations
- · Media analysis
- · Sound Engineering
- · Documentary Photography
- Creative Writing

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from this programme can apply to progress to the Higher National Diploma in Film Production at Dunboyne College. There are now many places in computer courses in universities and in many technological universities for graduates who hold a QQI qualification in Media Production. Graduates can also progress to Media Studies in Maynooth University or First Arts, where there are over 175 places available.

There are also places in UCD, TUD, UCC, Marino, Southeast Technological University, Carlow and Atlantic Technological University, Letterkenny.

There are many opportunities for employment in areas like Radio and Sound Recording, Music Business, Advertising and Public Relations, Publishing, Webcasting, TV, Film Production, Publishing, Multimedia Production, Advertising. There are also many further studies opportunities on QQI Level 6 courses.

#### **Future Opportunities**

Graduates can also progress to Media Studies in Maynooth University or First Arts, where there are over 175 places available. Alternatively, students may progress directly into employment.

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**Dunboyne College:** DCFE HND Film Production

UCD: DN520 Arts-Film Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC133: Multimedia (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU983 Film and Broadcasting

(Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK864 Film and Television Production (Level 8. 4 Years)

**Maynooth University:** MH109 Media Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DBS:** DB567 Film and Creative Media (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE208 TV and Media Production (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US807 Creative Broadcast and File Production (Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL845 Design for Film (Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL843 Film (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Galway:** AU615 Film and Documentary (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### CERTIFICATION

Level 5 Media Production 5M18519

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Higher National Diploma in Film Production

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Creative Media <u>Production (Film)</u>



## WHAT IS THE HIGHER NATIONAL DIPLOMA IN FILM PRODUCTION?

Film production is booming in Ireland and beyond, and there's never been a better time to jump in. With new technology, fresh formats and many opportunities, you'll find plenty of ways to make your mark and bring your cinematic vision to life. Our Higher National Diploma (HND) qualifications are designed with today's film production landscape in mind, so you can explore a curriculum which has a heavy practical focus and takes advantage of Ireland's place as one of the leaders in the global film industry.

During this two-year course, we focus on skills that will help you stand out in the film industry and skills you can use across the creative media sector.

## COURSE CONTENT YEAR 1 MODULES

The first year of the course focuses on developing the practical skills, knowledge and understanding required to succeed in various film production and creative media industry roles. The curriculum covers various aspects of the film production industry, such as, script writing, cinematography, sound production and editing. Students learn about the creative process, production techniques, industry trends and business aspects of media production.

The following modules will be offered subject to availability/demand and may be subject to change:

- Audio Production
- Cinematography Camera Skills
- Creative Media Industry
- Editing for Film and Television
- Film Practice
- Film Studies
- Individual Project
- · Professional Practice

#### YEAR 2 MODULES

The second year is an advanced vocational set of modules which build upon the foundations provided in year one. The second year will take a deep dive into advanced film production techniques, offering students the opportunity to build a substantial portfolio of work which they can use in the search for jobs in the Irish and international film industries.

There is a greater emphasis on industry practices and more opportunities for specialisation.

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Advanced Editing for Film and Television
- Advanced Film Production Studies
- Collaborative Project
- Documentary
- Film Criticism
- Personal Professional Development
- Scriptwriting for Film and Television

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Such is the practical nature of our course, it can lead directly to a range of job opportunities in the film and entertainment industry. Possible career paths include film director, cinematographer, film editor, sound designer, screenwriter, producer and production designer. Other potential jobs include casting director, location manager, visual effects supervisor, and more.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**CDCFE:** BA (Hons) in Film and Television Production, 1-year top-up, accredited by the University of Wolverhampton.

**BCFE:** BA (Hons) in Media Production Management, 1-year top-up, accredited by Dublin City University.

**TUD City Campus:** TU983 Film and Broadcasting (Level 8, 4 years)

Maynooth: MH109 Media Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

**The Open University:** BA/BSc (Hons) Open Degree, Advanced entry to final year, Online learning.

**London Metropolitan University:** BA (Hons) in Film and Television Production, Advanced entry to final year.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Year One: Pearson BTEC Higher National Certificate in Creative Media Production (Film)
- Year Two: Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in Creative Media Production (Film)

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

At least one of the following:

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied;
   or
- QQI level 5 major award
- Mature Students
   or
- · Other equivalent qualifications

Additional entry requirements may apply. All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

## Journalism, Digital Media and Public Relations

Journalism 5M2464



## WHAT IS JOURNALISM, DIGITAL MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS?

This one-year course in journalism, Digital Media and Public Relations teaches students the skills to be a modern journalist or public relations professional.

Students will learn how to work across various types of media, while still incorporating the main theoretical concepts of journalism.

Students will appreciate how digital technology and the use of multiple platforms to deliver news stories are being used to engage a wide and varied public audience.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Writing Skills for Journalism
- Research Skills for Journalism
- · Technical Skills for Journalism
- · Public Relations
- Radio Programme Production
- Media Analysis
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- Digital Marketing
- Image Processing
- Word Processing
- · Safety and Health at Work
- · Creative Writing
- Criminology

#### **Future Opportunities**

Graduates can also progress to Media Studies in Maynooth University or First Arts, where there are over 175 places available. Alternatively, students may progress directly into employment.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

DCU: DC132 Journalism (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD – City Campus:** TU985 Journalism (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH109 Media Studies (Level 8. 3 Years)

DCU: DC133 Multimedia (Level 8, 3 Years)

NUIG: GY119 Journalism (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC131 Communications Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

**DCU:** DC291 Arts (Joint Honours) Media Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

**UL:** LM039 Journalism and Digital Communications (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK712 Digital Marketing and Public Relations (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The journalism award will allow graduates to access the Level 8 degree in Journalism at DCU, TUD, University of Limerick and NUI Galway.

Students can also access many other degrees at universities and technological universities or private colleges throughout the country such as Media Studies at Maynooth University and Multimedia at DCU. Graduates may also access other degrees at TUD Blanchardstown, Tallaght and City Campus, South East Technological University, Carlow, IADT and many more.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Journalism 5M2464

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications





I'm very proud of what I've achieved. I got my very first article published in the Meath Herald and had an interview published in the college magazine.

## My experience

Cillian Sheeran

QQI Level 5 in Journalism and Public Relations

Not only did my time studying in Dunboyne College of Further Education enhance my knowledge within journalism but many of the different activities I took part in also developed my interpersonal communication skills.

The different presentations I gave to my classmates and lecturers have built up my confidence and my ability to speak in front of a crowd and to make eye contact. The group discussions I was involved in have now helped me to lead a discussion and they have taught me how to give each person time to speak.

I'm very proud of what I have achieved in my time in Dunboyne College. I got my very first article published in the Meath Herald. An interview I conducted with Paul Byrne, who is the head of athletics in DCU got published in the college magazine. I also took part in the college podcast with some of my classmates discussing how we can have a positive impact on the environment.





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## Music Performance

#### **Music 5M2011**



#### WHAT IS MUSIC PERFORMANCE?

This course is aimed at developing a musician's ability in the areas of performance and musical awareness and to further enhance skills through music technology and computer applications.

It provides students with hands-on experience and training in the various aspects of the music industry. Live performances and studio recordings are an integral part of the course, which is designed for musicians, songwriters and producers. Through continued commitment to rehearsal students develop the discipline that is required to work in the music industry.

Students present, produce and perform a number of live performances as part of their course work. These offer an ideal environment in which each student can put the knowledge and skills gained on the course into use.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Music Performance
- Music Theory and Practice
- Music Industry Studies
- Work Experience
- Radio Programming and Production
- Sound Engineering and Production
- Ethnomusicology
- Teamwork
- Music Technology
- Word Processing
- Event Production

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students will acquire competency in the theory and technologies associated with the fields of music composition and production, sound engineering and recording, music education, community music, sound for film/radio/TV multimedia, audio post-production, internet streaming, location sound engineering, sound synthesis and design, audio for games and so on.

Graduates of this course will have a firm foundation in music and the music industry preparing them for further study in this area, along with the know-how and experience to work in a professional music setting. Students can also progress to the Higher National Diploma in Artistic Development for Musicians at Dunboyne College.

Graduates can progress to degrees in TU, TCD, DBS, Dun Laoghaire IADT, Maynooth University (incl. Kilkenny Campus and St. Patrick's College), Marino Institute of Education, Technological University of the Shannon, Limerick and Athlone, South East Technological University Waterford, Munster Technological University, Tralee, TUD, DKIT, University of Limerick and other colleges around the country, including progress to First Arts in Maynooth University, where there are 175 places reserved for QQI entrants.

#### **Additional Options**

Event production may be offered as a module on this course

### EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

**Dunboyne College:** DCFE HND Music (Level 6, 2 Years)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts Music Technology

(Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD BIMM: TU961 Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK860 Applied Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK771 BA in Music Theatre 3-year level 7

TCD: TR002 Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR320 Film Studies/Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS:** US703 Music Technology and Production (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DBS:** DB510 Audio Production and Music Project Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Music Performance 5M2011

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Cert or LCA
- Mature Students
- Other equivalent qualification
- An interview and audition (voice or instrument) will be organised for each applicant.
- Applicants should be computer literate.

## Sound Production

#### Sound Production 5M2149



#### WHAT IS SOUND PRODUCTION?

This one-year course is designed to give students an introduction to the world of sound engineering, the media and the music industry.

This course is designed to provide a combination of practical and theoretical tuition in all aspects of digital sound engineering and event production. Students will work in a fully equipped digital studio and be involved in the production of live performance recording.

The overall aim of the course is to educate students for a variety of career opportunities within the audio industry and related areas. Students will gain a broad appreciation of the technology involved in sound production. Every year more hardware and software becomes available to create music and teach students about music.

This is a hands-on, skills-based course which equips students with a fundamental knowledge of the common applications of music technology.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Sound Engineering and Production
- Radio Programming and Production
- Music Technology
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Music Industry Studies
- Music Performance
- Ethnomusicology
- Teamwork

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students may seek immediate employment in the music industry. Typical career opportunities are in the areas of sound engineering, music production and recording, live sound production and audio technology, or in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with an engineering aptitude.

The course will provide you with a qualification that has many applications within the music and audio industries.

Students can progress to the Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering at Dunboyne College. Students can also apply to Maynooth University, where there are 175 places reserved for QQI applicants.

There are also places in DCU, TUD Tallaght, Technological University of the Shannon, Limerick, Munster Technological University, Cork, Dun Laoghaire IADT, UCC, Shannon College and other colleges.

Graduates may also pursue courses in colleges around the country or in the UK.

#### **Specialised Facilities:**

Students will work in professional industry standard studios.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**Dunboyne College:** DCFE HND Sound Engineering (Level 6, 2 Years)

Sonic Arts Research Centre, Queen's University Belfast: BA (Hons) Music and Audio Production or BA (Hons) Music and Sound Design

BIMM: TU961 - BA (Hons) Commercial Modern Music (Music Production), (Level 8, 4 years with Advanced Entry into Year 2 or Year 3 possible)

DKIT: DK865 - BA (Hons) in Audio and Music Production (Level 8, 4 years)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts Music Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Dublin City Campus: TU963 Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

DBS: DB510 Audio Production and Music Project Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

TUS: Limerick IT: US70 Music Technology and Production (Level 7, 3 Years)

DKIT: DK 865 Production of Music and Audio (Level 8. 4 Years)

Ulster University: W3181 Music Sound and Technology (Level 8, 3 Years)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Sound Production 5M2149

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications
- Applicants should be computer literate

## Higher National Diploma in Artist Development for Musicians

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Artist Development)



#### WHAT ARE THE HIGHER NATIONALS IN MUSIC?

Do you have a passion for music and songwriting? Do you want to elevate your skills and seize the numerous opportunities that Ireland's thriving music industry has to offer? The Higher Nationals in Music, an innovative and comprehensive programme designed to empower you with the knowledge, skills and understanding to excel in the global music environment.

This course goes beyond traditional classroom education by emphasising the practical nature of learning how to compose and perform music. You will benefit from one-on-one coaching and mentorship from experienced industry professionals, helping you refine your skills and talents.

Through collaborative projects and real-world scenarios, you will gain invaluable experience and insights into the music industry, preparing you for a successful career as an artist or music professional.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

#### YEAR 1

Throughout the first year, you will delve into various aspects of the music industry, learning about its structure, history and contemporary landscape. You will gain essential marketing and promotion skills, understanding how to effectively showcase your talents and projects. Our curriculum emphasises professional development, equipping you with the tools and knowledge required to excel in your music career.

As you progress through the first year, you will explore applied music theory, enhancing your understanding of the principles and techniques that underpin musical compositions. The performance and instrumental techniques modules will fine-tune your skills as a musician, allowing you to express yourself confidently on stage and in the studio.

The course also covers music production fundamentals, offering a solid grounding in the technical aspects of creating and recording music. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to hone your songwriting skills, developing your unique voice and style as a composer.

#### **YEAR 1 MODULES**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Applied Music Theory
- Instrumental Techniques
- · Marketing and Promotion
- · Music Production Fundamentals
- Performance
- Professional Development
- Songwriting
- The Music Industry

#### YEAR 2

The second-year curriculum focuses on further refining your skills as an artist, allowing you to develop advanced performance techniques and create a compelling creative portfolio. You will delve into the art of musical direction and explore the practical applications of this crucial skill in the music industry. You will also master advanced composing techniques using technology and gain proficiency in live arrangement skills.

#### **YEAR 2 MODULES**

- · Advanced Composition Techniques
- Advanced Performance Skills
- Creative Portfolio
- Creative Research Project
- Developing as an Artist
- · Live Arrangement Skills
- Musical Direction in Practice

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Year One: Pearson BTEC Higher National Certificate in Music (Performance)
- QQI Level 5 Certificate in Music (5M2011)
- Year Two: Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Artist Development)

Higher National Diploma in Artist Development for Musicians

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Artist Development)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

With this qualification, you will be well-prepared to explore a multitude of roles in the music industry.

In addition to the diverse career options, the Higher National Diploma in Music program offers an industry-focused curriculum designed to meet the demands of today's music landscape.

The course emphasises practical learning, artist development and collaboration, ensuring you are equipped to face the ever-evolving world of music.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

At least one of the following:

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or
- Mature Students
- · Level 5 major award in a relevant area
- Other equivalent qualification

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications and will be asked to complete an audition (voice or instrument).





### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**BIMM:** TU961 Commercial Modern Music (Level 8, 4 years with Advanced Entry into Year 2 or Year 3 possible)

**BCFE:** BA (Hons) in Media Production Management (Level 8, 1 year, accredited by DCU)

**Queen's University Belfast:** BMUS (Hons) in Music, (Level 8, 3 Years with Advanced Entry into Year 2 possible)

**DKIT:** DK860 - Applied Music (Level 8, 4 years with Advanced Entry into Year 2 possible)

## Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Sound Engineering)



#### WHAT IS THE HIGHER NATIONAL DIPLOMA IN SOUND ENGINEERING?

Are you passionate about music and sound? Do you want to develop the technical skills and knowledge required to succeed in the exciting world of sound engineering? The Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering in Sound Engineering is designed to equip you with the knowledge and practical skills required to excel in the ever-evolving audio industry.

This practical course is designed to give you hands-on experience in a range of audio engineering disciplines, including recording technology, live sound techniques and sound design for interactive media. With classes based in professional recording studios, live music venues and specialist computer labs, you'll have the opportunity to work with industry-standard equipment and gain real-world experience in a range of settings.

Graduates can take advantage of a variety of potential career pathways, including roles as recording engineers, live sound engineers, sound designers, audio post-production engineers and more.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

#### YEAR 1

In the first year, students will gain a solid foundation in essential sound principles, acoustics, studio design, recording technology, and sound engineering fundamentals through practical classes in dedicated computer labs and professional recording studios.

Additionally, they will explore the use of creative software techniques, live sound techniques, and marketing and promotion strategies, ensuring they are prepared for the demands of the industry.

The first year also includes modules on professional development and an overview of the music industry, setting the stage for a successful career in sound engineering.

#### **YEAR 1 MODULES**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Applied Sound Principles
- · Creative Software Techniques
- · Live Sound Techniques
- Marketing and Promotion
- Professional Development
- · Recording Technology
- · Sound Engineering Fundamentals
- The Music Industry

#### YEAR 2

The second year focuses on refining and expanding on specialist sound engineering skills developed in Year 1. Students will master advanced music production techniques, sound design for interactive media and live performances, while working on their own creative portfolio. The intricacies of mixing and mastering will be developed in a creative research project.

The course not only provides the student with the technical expertise necessary to succeed in various roles within the audio industry but also fosters critical thinking, problem solving and collaboration skills.

#### **YEAR 2 MODULES**

- · Advanced Music Production
- · Advanced Sound Design for Interactive Media
- · Advanced Sound Engineering
- Creative Portfolio
- Creative Research Project
- Live Mixing
- · Mixing and Mastering



#### **CERTIFICATION**

- BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Sound Engineering), with a Higher National Certificate after year one.
- Year One: Pearson BTEC Higher National Certificate in Music (Technology)
- Year Two: Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Sound Engineering)

## Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Sound Engineering)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course opens up a world of exciting and diverse career paths for aspiring musicians and sound professionals. Graduates will be well prepared to explore a multitude of roles in the music, film and creative media industry or for further progression to Level 7 or 8 degree courses.





## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Sonic Arts Research Centre, Queen's University Belfast: BA (Hons) Music and Audio Production or BA (Hons) Music and Sound Design (Level 8, 3 years with Advanced entry into Year 2 possible)

**BIMM:** TU961 - BA (Hons) Commercial Modern Music (Music Production), (Level 8, 4 years with Advanced Entry into Year 2 or Year 3 possible)

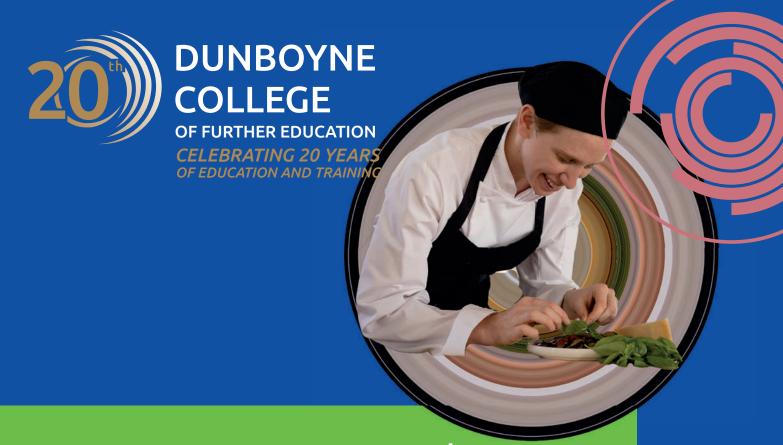
**BCFE:** BA (Hons) in Media Production Management, (Level 8, 1 year, accredited by DCU)

**DkIT:** DK865 - BA (Hons) in Audio and Music Production (Level 8, 4 years, with Advanced Entry into Year 2 possible)

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

At least one of the following:

- · Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA)
- QQI Level 5 major award in a related subject
- · Mature students of all background
- · Other equivalent qualification



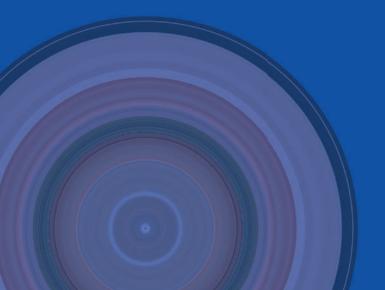
# Hospitality & Tourism

Tourism and Business with Event Management

Tourism and Airline Studies

Professional Cookery

Advanced Professional Cookery





## Tourism and Business with Event Management

Tourism with Business 5M5011 or Business Studies 5M2102



#### WHAT IS BUSINESS AND TOURISM?

This one-year course is an ideal entry level course for those interested in developing skills to work in the growing tourism sector in Ireland.

This tourism programme has been designed to enable students to gain a broad understanding of the operations of the tourism industry and to facilitate their integration into the workplace or into further education and training.

It also allows students to appreciate the opportunities presented by the web and eBusiness to successfully market products and services. Many students progress to work in the travel and tourism sector. The event production element focuses on the management and production of corporate, leisure and cultural events.

This course gives students an opportunity to study the area of tourism and travel both from the technology skills required and from the tourist industry perspective.

This qualification can be used to progress to certificate and degree programmes in technological universities or universities particularly in business departments.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Business Administration Skills
- · Marketing Practice
- Tourism Information and Administration
- Tourism Principles and Practice
- Customer Service
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Work Experience

- Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work
- Language Option
- Hospitality and Accommodation Techniques
- Hotel Receptionist Diploma
- Event Production

#### **Progression Opportunities**

• Graduates may seek immediate employment in a range of tourist or other marketing areas.

### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD City Campus:** TU747 Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU954 Event Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU953 Tourism and Digital Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU951 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU: Waterford:** SE921 Hospitality Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK750 Hospitality Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC240 Marketing Innovation and Technology (MINT) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**NUIG:** GY261 Business Studies in International Hotel Management (Shannon) (Level 8, 4 Years)

Shannon College of Hotel Management: GY261 Business Studies in International Hotel Management (Shannon) (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may pursue a degree in many technological universities around the country or, alternatively, may seek immediate employment in a range of tourist or other marketing areas.

The Tourism and Business option will allow students to progress to colleges like TUD City campus, Tallaght, UCC, NUIG, Shannon College of Hotel Management (Shannon) for tourism and travel as well as other colleges for business certificates and degrees.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Tourism with Business 5M2011 or Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Tourism and Airline Studies

Tourism 5M5011



#### WHAT IS TOURISM AND AIRLINE STUDIES?

This one-year course is designed to prepare students for all aspects of the growing airline and travel industry in Ireland.

This course provides students with the necessary skills to take up employment in the tourism industry or in the travel area as members of Airline Cabin Crew and Travel Consultancy.

The course also includes a unique Cabin Crew Course, accredited by International Academy of Travel (IAOT).

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Tourism Information and Administration
- Tourism Principles and Practice
- Ready for Take Off Diploma-General Introduction
- Ready for Take Off Diploma Ticketing and Amadeus
- Word Processing

- · Customer Service
- Work Experience
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Cabin Crew
- Global Distribution Systems
- · Language option
- Safety and Health at Work

### The following may be offered as options on this course

- · Diploma in International Travel Industry Studies
- · Ready for Take Off Diploma

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**NUIG:** GY261 Business Studies in International Hotel Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCC:** CK203 Business Information Systems (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU747 Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

**DKIT:** DK850 International Tourism Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU951 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU772 Business (Level 7, 3 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This qualification can be used to progress to certificate and degree programmes in technological universities or universities in business or tourism.

Alternatively, graduates may seek immediate employment in a range of airline, tourism or marketing careers. Past graduates have secured employment with Aer Lingus, Ryanair and other airlines.

The Tourism and Business option will allow students to progress to colleges like TUD City Campus and Tallaght, UCC, NUIG (Shannon) for tourism and travel as well as other colleges for business certificates and degrees.

Students are well placed to gain employment as cabin crew, along with a broad range of other career opportunities with an airport setting.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Tourism 5M5011
- · Diploma in International Travel Industry Studies
- Ready for Take Off Diploma
- Amadeus (industry qualification)

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Professional Cookery

#### Professional Cookery 5M2088

#### WHAT IS PROFESSIONAL COOKERY?

This course will present students with the opportunity to develop practical culinary skills and an understanding of the science of food and food hygiene.

Students will also develop knowledge of changing kitchen technologies and the business aspects of cooking operations.

In completing this course students will also gain an understanding of the theory and practice of Professional Cookery.



The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Personal Effectiveness
- · International Cuisines
- Meal Service
- Work Practice
- Pastry, Baking and Desserts
- Word Processing
- Menu Planning and Applied Nutrition
- · Safety and Health at Work
- Food Science and Technology
- · Culinary Techniques

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates of this course may find employment in hotels, restaurants, catering departments, cruise ships and airlines. Graduates will also be well prepared for further studies in the areas of hospitality, professional cookery, tourism and business in TUD City Campus and other colleges.

This QQI award will enable students to apply and progress onto the Level 6 award in catering and tourism programmes in professional cookery, hospitality, bar supervision, front office management and tourism.

In addition, holders of QQI Level 5 awards may also be able to apply for other degree courses under Higher Education Link Schemes especially in linked courses in TUD Tallaght/Blanchardstown and other technological universities around the country.



#### Additional qualification as part of course:

- Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP)
- Barista Studies

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD City Campus:** TU942 Culinary Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City campus:**TU643 Culinary Arts (Level 6, 2 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU944 Culinary Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU741 Baking and Pastry Arts Management (Level 7, 3 years)

DKIT: DK650 Culinary Arts (Level 6, 2 years)

TUD Tallaght: TU742 Culinary Arts (Level 7, 3 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US930 Culinary Entrepreneurship (Level 8, 4 Years)

Mary Immaculate College: MI015 Education, Home Economics and Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Crumlin College:** Culinary Arts Professional Cookery (Level 6)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Professional Cookery 5M2088

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

## Advanced Professional Cookery

Professional Cookery 6M2099



### WHAT IS ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL COOKERY?

If you hold a QQI Level 5 Professional Cookery, then why not take the opportunity to undertake further studies in advanced Professional Cookery. This course is designed to equip the student with the relevant knowledge, skills and competence to work using a range of specialised skills in a professional kitchen.

The course provides the student with an opportunity to obtain experience in a wide range of specialised areas such as food and beverage services, bakeries and busy restaurants, while gaining a sound general knowledge in areas needed to function in the hotel and catering environment.

This qualification can be used to gain advanced entry to degree programmes at Level 7 and 8.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Culinary Food Safety management
- Culinary Techniques
- Gastronomy
- Hospitality business Systems
- Producing a Culinary Event
- Pastry, Baking and Desserts
- Menu Design and Applied Nutrition
- Work Experience
- International Cuisines
- Entrepreneurship

#### Why take this course?

Build on existing skills in order to gain advanced entry to degree courses or promotion within the industry

### Additional Qualifications as part of this course include:

 Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP)

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

TUD City Campus: TU942 Culinary Arts (Level 8)

TUD City campus: TU643 Culinary Arts (Level 6)

TUD City Campus: TU944 Culinary Science (Level 8)

**TUD City Campus:** TU741 Baking and Pastry Arts Management (Level 7)

**DKIT:** DK650 Culinary Arts (Level 6)

TUD Tallaght: TU742 Culinary Arts (Level 7)

**TUS Athlone:** US930 Culinary Entrepreneurship (Level 8)

Mary Immaculate College: MI015 Education, Home Economics and Business (Level 8)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from the Level 6 programme may apply for advanced entry on a range of level 7 or level 8 degree programmes in many universities or technological universities around the country.

Graduates of this course may find employment in hotels, restaurants, catering departments, cruise ships and airlines. Graduates will also be well prepared for further studies in the areas of hospitality, professional cookery, tourism and business in TUD City Campus and other colleges.

This QQI award will enable students to apply and progress onto catering and tourism degree programmes in professional cookery, hospitality, bar supervision, front office management and tourism.

In addition, holders of QQI Level 6 awards may also be able to apply for other degree courses under Higher Education Link Scheme.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 6 Professional Cookery 6M2099

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Level 5 in Professional Cookery 5M2088 or equivalent
- Mature students with relevant industry experience;
- Other equivalent qualification





This year has given me a better understanding of the food industry, and it has helped me expand my skills that I will need for any future career.

## My experience

#### Eoin Kane

#### QQI Level 5 Professional Cookery

I thoroughly enjoyed my time spent in Dunboyne College of Further Education. I learned new skills throughout the year under the excellent guidance of my mentors.

The staff of the college are very friendly and were always willing to help their students, which I really appreciated.

This year has given me a better understanding of the food industry, and it has helped me expand my skills that I will need for any future career.

I would highly recommend a course in Dunboyne College of Further Education to anyone who is looking to develop their skills in a particular area and for anyone who is uncertain of the career path they want to take.



Pre-University PE Teaching and Coaching
Sports Management with Business
Personal Training and Fitness Instruction
Sports Rehabilitation and





Physiotherapy Assistant

## Pre-University PE Teaching and Coaching

Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146



#### WHAT IS PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND **COACHING?**

This one-year course is designed to prepare students for a career in the sports, coaching and fitness sectors, or provide a pathway to further study in Physical Educating teaching. Students will engage in a range of sports, both practically and academically.

Students will also gain the social, communications and leadership skills to work with students in the teaching area, along with athletes and groups in the growing sports, coaching and fitness areas.

In partnership with Meath GAA and the Football Association of Ireland (FAI), students can complete coaching courses and obtain coaching badges to further enhance their practice and experience.



Practical classes will be timetabled on-site IRELAND at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Laboratory Skills
- Biology
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Sports and Recreational Studies

- · Safety and Health
- · Exercise and Fitness
- Sports Anatomy and Physiology
- Soccer Coaching
- **GAA** Coaching
- Basketball Coaching
- Swimming

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to pursue a career in P.E. teaching.

Alternatively, students may progress to a sport or science related Level 8 degree.

Graduates may also choose to pursue careers in various roles such as strength and conditioning, sports coach, sports offices and many different roles in within the sports, leisure and fitness industry.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Level 5 Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 or Level 5 Applied Science Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

and the following

- GAA, FAI, Basketball Ireland and other coaching badges
- First Aid
- Patient Moving and Handling
- **Emergency First Responder**

#### Additional qualifications from this course

Students can complete coaching courses and obtain coaching badges to further enhance their practice and experience.

#### **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

NDCU: DC205 Physical Education with Biology (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC206 Physical Education with Mathematics (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCC: CK116 Sports Studies and Physical Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: LM090 Physical Education with Concurrent Teacher Training (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Blanchardstown: TU935 Sport Management and Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU882 Nutraceuticals in Health and Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years) LC422 Sports Strength and Conditioning (Level8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: CW858 Sports Management and GAA Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: CW188 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: AL836 Health Science with Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Waterford:** WD002 Food Science Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years) WD006 Nutrition and Exercise (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD City Campus: TU 955 Sports and Leisure Management

Maynooth University: Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: AL841 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Tallaght: TU936 Sports Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

## Sports Management with Business

Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 or Business Studies 5M2102

**SPORT** 

**IRELAND** 

### WHAT IS SPORTS MANAGEMENT WITH BUSINESS?

This one-year course aims to prepare students for work in the sports, recreation or leisure industries.

Sports management with Business graduates will gain the social, communication and leadership skills to work with individuals and groups in the growing sports management areas.

Many of the skills acquired will be transferable for use in business or community development settings. The Sports Management with Business course will lay a foundation for these skills and provide the work experience to put learning into practice.

This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced, mature persons seeking a qualification in this area. It will allow graduates to apply for programmes in Ireland or abroad. By taking science modules, students can claim the science award and apply for Health Science in DCU.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Work Experience
- Communications
- Sports and Recreational Studies
- Exercise and Fitness
- · Business Administration
- Marketing
- Leisure Facility Administration

- Safety and Health at Work
- Nutrition
- Anatomy and Physiology
- · Sports Injury
- · Word Processing
- · Start Your Own Business
- Reception

#### **Specialised facilities**

Practical classes will be timetabled on-site at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**TUD Blanchardstown:** TU935 Sport Management and Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCC:** CK116 Sports Studies and Physical Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Limerick:** US786 Sports Strength and Conditioning (Level8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE929 Sports Management and GAA Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE901 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD City Campus:** TU 955 Sports and Leisure Management

**Maynooth University:** Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US956 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUD Tallaght:** TU936 Sports Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The new Sports Management and Coaching degree course in TUD Blanchardstown will offer graduates a local alternative to advance their studies to honours degree level.

Graduates can also access honours sports programmes in TUD City Campus, Dundalk Institute of Technology, UCC, South East Technological University Carlow and Waterford, Munster Technological University, Tralee, Atlantic Technological University, Letterkenny or students can apply for scholarship programmes in Ireland or the U.S.

Students can progress to PE Teaching via an undergraduate degree at Munster Technological University Tralee or Cork and to the Postgraduate Master in PE Teaching at U.L. Sports graduates can apply to First Arts in Maynooth University where 175 places are reserved for QQI entrants.

The course will give graduates the opportunity to become sports development officers or work in areas like gyms, leisure centres or sports clubs. The general qualification will lead to careers in the rapidly expanding leisure industry.

Graduates of this course also have the option to pursue a QQI level 6 course in Sports or Leisure Management.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 5 Sports Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 or Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102

and the following

- GAA, FAI, Basketball Ireland and other coaching badges
- First Aid
- Patient Moving and Handling
- Emergency First Responder

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

# Personal Training and Fitness Instruction

Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146

# WHAT IS PERSONAL TRAINING AND FITNESS **INSTRUCTION?**

This course provides the student with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills as an introduction into the fitness sector. It will allow students to assist in the delivery of safe and appropriate exercise programmes for the wider population.

Students will gain experience in a broad range of sports and fitness components. The course also includes a number of ITEC components which are worldwide industry recognised courses.



Practical classes will be timetabled on-site IRELAND at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

# **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Work Experience
- · Communications
- Sports and Recreational Studies
- · Exercise and Fitness
- · Safety and Health
- Nutrition
- · Leisure Facility Administration
- · Anatomy and Physiology
- Sports Injury Prevention
- Word Processing
- Body Massage

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates on this course will have the opportunity to progress into a sports, science or health related level 8 undergraduate degree.

Alternatively, with ITEC certificates, students can enter the workforce immediately and begin working as fitness instructors or personal trainers with sporting teams, athletes or in a variety of settings within the health and fitness industries.

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- · Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



# **Additional facilities:**

Practical Classes will take place in Sports Campus Ireland facilities.

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

MTU Tralee: TL871 Health and Leisure Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCC: CK116 Sports Studies and Physical Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: LC422 Sports Strength and Conditioning (Level8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: CW188 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUD Tallaght: TU936 Sports Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: AL837 Sports Science with Exercise Physiology (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: CW188 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: AL841 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

# **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146
- ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Personal Training (Gym Based Exercise)
- ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Fitness Instructing (Gym
- ITEC Taping and Strapping (Accredited)
- First Aid, Manual Handling, Emergency First Responder

# Sports Rehabilitation and Physiotherapy Assistant

Health Service Skills 5M3782



# WHAT IS SPORTS REHABILITATION AND PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSISTANT?

Students who undertake this one-year course in Pre-Physiotherapy studies will gain an understanding of the principles and practices of rehabilitation and an insight into how to assess and treat clients whose movement is restricted by illness, injury, disability or age.

Students will gain the skills needed by the HSE to work in the healthcare sector, which will help them to understand therapy programmes and support clients in restoring or improving their mobility.



Practical classes will be timetabled on-site at Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena and the National gymnastics Training Centre at Sports Campus Ireland Campus.

# **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- · Physiotherapy Assistant Therapy Theory
- Care Support
- Work Experience
- Communications
- · Infection Protection and Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Nutrition
- Exercise and Fitness
- Kinesiology
- · Body Massage and Figure Analysis

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This course enables graduates to progress to a Level 6 award and, thereafter, apply to progress to the Level 8 degree offered at the Royal College of Surgeons.

Alternatively, students can progress to a sports or science related Level 8 degree and then to the Level 9 Physiotherapy at UCD. There are many progression options for students to study physiotherapy in the UK.

Graduates may also apply for several other Level 7 and 8 degrees in universities and technological universities or private colleges around the country.

The Pre-Physiotherapy Studies course is very valuable for students and permits them to directly access employment.

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

Graduates can progress to related undergraduate degrees in Ireland (e.g. Sports Rehabilitation or Athletic Therapy) and then apply for a Physiotherapy Masters programme in universities such as UCD and UL or in the UK.

Graduates are eligible to apply directly for Physiotherapy undergraduate degrees in certain UK universities.

Mature students can apply for Physiotherapy undergraduate degree programmes in Ireland or the UK.

**SETU Carlow:** SE901 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US956 Athletic and Rehabilitation Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU861 Health Science and Physiology (Level 7, 3 Years)

**ATU Sligo:** AU971 Health Science and Physical Activity (Level 8, 4 Years)

**ATU Letterkenny:** AU170 Health Science with Physiotherapy Studies (Level 6, 2 Years). This programme allows students to progress to complete a BSc Hons in Physiotherapy at Coventry University.

**Ulster University:** BSc Physiotherapy

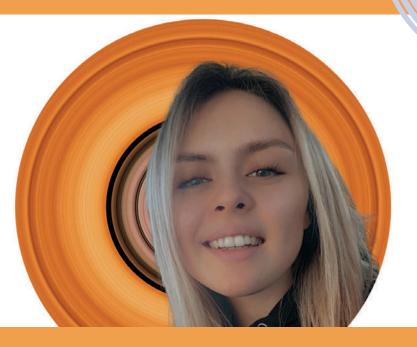
**Colaiste Ide:** 6M5147 Pre-University Physiotherapy (Level 6, 1 year)

**Maynooth University:** Business and Sports Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**Royal College of Surgeons:** RC004 Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4 years) (Level 5 and 6 / Mature Entry requirement)

# CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Health Service Skills 5M3782
- ITEC Diploma in Holistic Massage
- First Aid
- Patient Handling



After successfully completing my QQI Level 5 Sports course in Dunboyne College, I got accepted into IT Carlow.

# My experience

Aoife Heffernan

QQI Level 5 course in Sports Injury Prevention and Massage Therapy

When I first started in Dunboyne College of Further Education I was nervous and apprehensive about settling in, however, it did not take me long to find my feet with the help of my classmates and all the teaching staff.

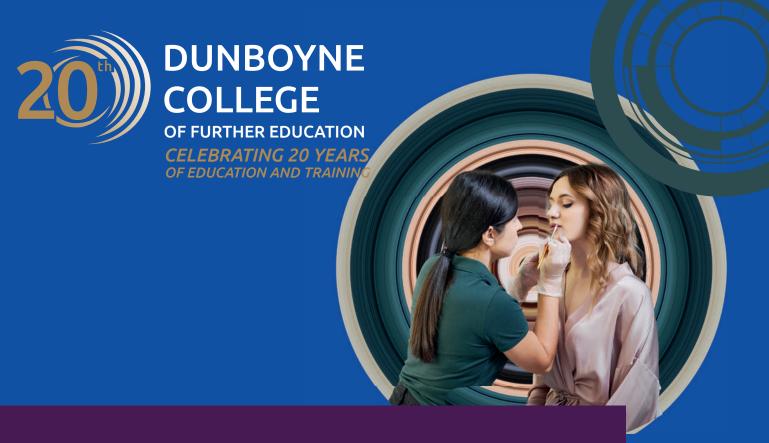
I had an extremely positive experience in Dunboyne college. The staff in the college really helped me, not only to excel academically, but also to gain more confidence in myself and achieve my potential.

After successfully completing my QQI Level 5 course in Sports Injury Prevention and Massage Therapy in Dunboyne College, I got accepted into IT Carlow where I began my journey in Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8). I am currently preparing to graduate this coming November, 2023.

It was a dream to complete the degree in IT Carlow, now known as SETU Carlow, and it all came to fruition thanks to the staff in Dunboyne college. They always push each and every student to reach their fullest potential as well as giving unconditional support.

I would highly recommend any student to attend Dunboyne college, I promise it will not be a decision you regret!





# Beauty and Hairdressing

Beauty Therapy

Pre-Apprenticeship Hairdressing

Hairdressing Apprenticeship

Advanced Beauty Therapy





# Beauty Therapy

# Beauty Therapy 5M3471

# WHAT IS BEAUTY THERAPY?

This one-year course will prepare students for the everexpanding world of beauty therapy and spa treatments. This is the ideal starting point for a successful and fulfilling career in beauty therapy.

Students develop the required skills to work in a professional beauty salon and also perfect the customer communication essential to its success.

Beauty Therapy is a thriving profession. There are continuing developments in beauty products, beauty therapy equipment, practices and procedures. Levels of education and training are being upgraded in parallel with changing professional therapists' requirements.

This course caters for school leavers and mature students. It is an intense, one-year programme, which requires a high level of commitment and enthusiasm.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Body Massage and Figure Analysis
- · Safety and Health at Work
- Skin Care, Eye Treatments and Makeup
- Word Processing
- · Manicure, Pedicure and Waxing
- · Anatomy and Physiology
- Work Experience
- · Beauty Industry, Ethics and Practice
- Customer Service
- Start Your Own Business
- Retail Selling
- ITEC Diploma in Beauty Specialist \* Offered in addition to QQI Level 5

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates who qualify in this area can pursue a career in beauty salons, make-up and skin care consultancies, or work in leisure centres, on cruise liners or in health farms and spas. Graduates can also pursue careers as a therapist company representative or a massage therapist.

Graduates may further their study at Level 6 in the beauty industry or any Level 7 or Level 8 courses at TUD Blanchardstown, Technological University of the Shannon, Limerick, Dun Laoghaire, IADT and other Technological Universities around the country.

# **EMPLOYMENT PROGRESSION**

Last year this course had 100% employability within the Beauty and spa industry.



# **Additional Qualifications available:**

- ITEC Diploma in Beauty Specialist
- Industry courses in Nail Technology, Gel Polish, Brow and Lashes

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**Dunboyne:** 6M3479 Beauty Therapy (Level 6, 1 Year)

**TUS Limerick:** US946 Business Studies with Beauty and Spa Services (Level 7, 3 Years)

**MTU Tralee:** MT912 Health and Leisure with Massage (Level 8, 4 Years)

**SETU Carlow:** SE901 Sports Rehabilitation and Athletic Therapy (Level 8, 4 Years)

### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Beauty Therapy 5M3471
- ITEC Diploma in Beauty Specialist
- Gel Polish training AIT accredited by the Association of International Therapists (AIT)

To successful complete ITEC qualifications students must meet ITEC attendance requirements

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

# Pre-Apprenticeship Hairdressing

Hairdressing 5M3351

# WHAT IS HAIRDRESSING?

This one-year course will prepare students to work in the hairdressing and haircare industries.

This is the ideal starting point for a successful and fulfilling career in the hairdressing industry. Students develop the required skills to work in a professional salon and also perfect the customer communication essential to its success.

The course will cover all key areas of hairdressing which will enhance students' techniques and their creative and interpersonal skills.

This course caters for school leavers and mature students. It is an intense, one-year programme, which requires a high level of commitment, attendance and enthusiasm.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Hairdressing Theory and Practice
- · Hairdressing Science
- Customer Service
- · Safety and Health at Work
- Work Experience
- · Word Processing
- Creative Styling
- Retail Selling
- Skin Care Eye Treatments and Make-Up

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates who qualify in this area can pursue a career in styling, theatrical film work, general hairdressing work, hairdressing retail outlets or it can lead to placement as a senior 1st year apprentice in a hairdressing salon.

Further study for junior and senior trade certificates can be undertaken in Dunboyne College.

Graduates may further their study at Level 6 in the hair industry in Dunboyne College of Further Education or any level 7 or level 8 degrees at technological universities around the country.

# **EMPLOYMENT PROGRESSION**

Students from this course are well placed to enter hairdressing apprenticeships or to gain employment in hairdressing salons.



# **Employment opportunities**

· Graduates can go direct to employment.

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

**DCFE:** Hairdressing Senior Trade (Level 6, 1 Year)

**Direct to Employment** 

**Hairdressing Apprenticeship** 

Level 7 or level 8 degrees at technological universities around the country.

### **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Hairdressing 5M3351
- ITEC qualifications in Skincare and Makeup
- To successful complete ITEC qualifications students must meet ITEC attendance requirements

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or:
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

# Hairdressing Apprenticeship

NEW

Hairdressing QQI Level 6

# WHAT IS HAIRDRESSING APPRENTICESHIP?

The Hairdressing Apprenticeship is a 3-year, work-based learning programme which leads to a level 6 Major Award on the National Framework of Qualifications. Apprentices will spend 80% on the job training with the employer and 20% at a training college.

The programme aims to ensure that theoretical learning in an education or training institution is reinforced by the practical experience of undertaking a real job and equips the participant to absorb workplace culture and business processes, whilst honing employability skills. The programme is designed to provide the Hairdressing Apprentice with the knowledge, skills and competencies to become a skilled and confident hairdresser.

Hairdressers will be qualified to work autonomously in a competent, professional and independent capacity, with the ability to use the knowledge, skills and competencies required in their professional practice. They will demonstrate an extensive range of skills and services; from styling, colouring and cutting hair to performing scalp treatments.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

The programme is divided into 7 modules in year 1, 6 modules in year 2 and 5 modules in year 3.

# Stage 1/YEAR 1

- Induction
- Health and Safety Client Consultation
- Shampooing Conditioning and Treatments
- Styling and Finishing 1
- Salon Reception and ICT Skills
- Colour 1
- Cutting 1

# Customer

Stage 2/YEAR 2

- Service and Retail
- Styling and Finishing 2
- Colour 2
- Cutting 2
- Team-Leadership
- Career in Action

# Stage 3/YEAR 3

- Perming and Neutralising Hair
- Cutting 3
- Colour 3
- Styling and Finishing 3
- Capstone Module

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- QQI Level 4 Major Award, or recognised equivalent (for example Leaving Certificate) or two years full-time experience working within a salon.
- CEFRL B2+ level of English (where English is not a first language).
- QQI Level 5
- Leaving Certificate
- Mature Applicants

# Non-Standard Entry

In a case where an applicant does not meet the educational requirements specified above, they must satisfactorily complete an informative panel interview facilitated by the Programme Manager.

# Advanced Entry

Where applicable, advanced entry is permitted into Year 2 only through the Recognition of Prior Learning process.

# **Application Process**

Students must find a salon that is registered with the National Hairdressing Apprenticeship.

Applications should be made through the Hairdressing Apprenticeship at:

https://apprenticeship.ie/career-seekers/get-started/next-steps/hairdressing/hairdressing-l6

# **CERTIFICATION**

Level 6 QQI Advanced Certificate in Hairdressing



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# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

On successful completion of your apprenticeship, you may work as a qualified Hairdresser. Up to now there was no nationally recognised qualification for hairdressers in Ireland. This apprenticeship will provide the first nationally recognised flagship standard for the hairdressing industry.

A hairdressing apprenticeship will ensure that training and development of hairdressing professionals will be formally regulated and consistent. It will provide a consistent standard nationally, providing a route to recognised qualifications with clear routes for progression within the industry and to other training and education opportunities. In addition, the qualification can be used to progress to advanced entry to relevant third level colleges.

# Advanced Beauty Therapy

# WHAT IS ADVANCED BEAUTY THERAPY?

The Advanced Beauty Therapy course at Dunboyne College of Further Education offer Level 6 QQI qualifications along with ITEC Diplomas.

This course is ideal for students who wish to enhance their current beauty qualification and further their career within the beauty industry. While studying on this year long course students will gain experience in both practical and theoretical work. Students will participate in work experience where they will gain an insight into what life would be like working in some of the best salons and clinics around.

As you will work to achieve an ITEC Diploma, this qualification will give you the opportunity to travel as it is recognised in over 40 countries worldwide.

The Advanced Beauty Therapy Course offers highly specialised treatments focusing mainly on the skin.

# **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

### QQI

- · Work Practice
- Start Your Own Business
- Microdermabrasion and Laser IPL

### ITEC

- Level 4 Diploma in Laser and Intense Pulsed Light Treatments {IPL}
- Level 3 Award in Intimate Waxing for Female Clients
- Level 3 Award in Microdermabrasion
- Award in Skin Peeling

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates who qualify in this area can pursue a career in beauty salons, make-up and skin care consultancies or work in leisure centres, on cruise liners or in health farms and spas.

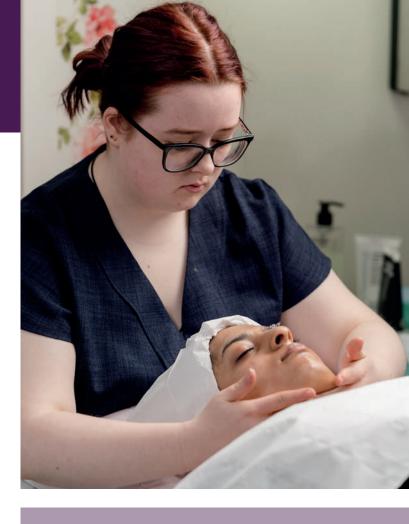
Graduates can also pursue careers as a therapist company representative or a massage therapist.

Graduates may further their study in the beauty industry.

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Level 5 Beauty 5M3471 or equivalent Beauty Therapy qualification
- · ITEC Diploma in Beauty Specialist

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.



To successful complete ITEC qualifications students must meet ITEC attendance requirements.





My mentors' level of expertise made me discover a huge passion for the beauty industry.

# My experience

# Anjaleen Malik

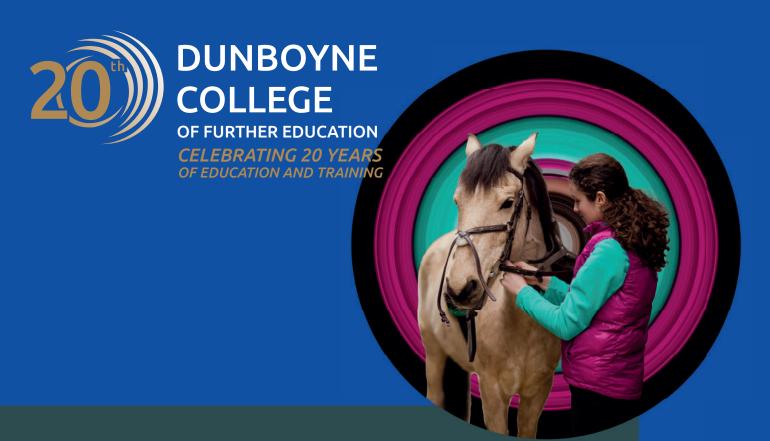
# Level 5 Beauty Therapy

Having completed my level 5 Beauty Therapy course here at DCFE, I can say it has truly been a transforming experience. The college facilities were exceptional and I had amazing mentors who genuinely cared and pushed for my success. Their level of expertise made me discover a huge passion for the beauty industry.

It was tough work but I was provided with extensive industry knowledge and had an incredible support system. The practical experience has equipped me with the skills and confidence to thrive in the beauty industry.

I would highly recommend this college for those who are passionate about beauty therapy.





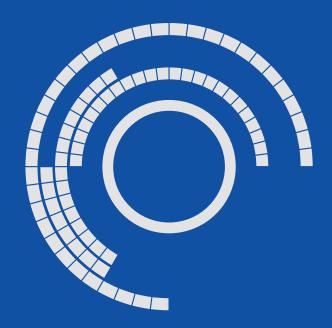
# Animal & Equine

Animal Care Assistant

**Equine Studies** 

Advanced Equine Breeding

Advanced Pre-University Animal Science





# **Animal Care Assistant**

# Animal Care 5M2768



# WHAT IS ANIMAL CARE?

This one-year course is designed to give students an introduction to the world of animal care and grooming.

This course is designed to provide a combination of practical and theoretical tuition in all aspects of the animal care industry.

It provides a hands-on, skills-based course which equips students with a fundamental knowledge of the animal care industry.

The course has been designed to meet a growing demand in Ireland for people to work in the animal care services.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- Animal Welfare
- Animal AandP
- · Communications
- Work Experience
- Animal Behaviour
- · Veterinary Assisting skills
- · Office and frontline
- Biology
- Maths
- · Word Processing
- · Dog Grooming

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Students may seek immediate employment in the animal care industry. Typical career opportunities are in the areas of animal grooming or animal health which may include pet shop, zoos and animal rescue centres. These industries and employers seek qualified and competent personnel. Graduates may also pursue courses in colleges and technological universities around the country or in the UK.

Examples of linked courses include veterinary nursing and veterinary assistant courses in UCD, Dundalk Institute of Technology, Atlantic Technological University, Letterkenny, Munster Technological University, Tralee and Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone.

Progression is also possible to other animal science degrees including Agricultural Science, Animal Science, Bio-Veterinary and Wildlife Biology.

Students can also apply for general courses in UCD or TUD City Campus.

# The following may be offered as options on this course

- · Start Your Own Business
- Optional Year 2 QQI Level 6 Available

# EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:

UCD: DN310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN250 Animal Science (Zoology Option) (Level

8, 4 Years)

**DKIT:** DK784 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

MTU Tralee: MT881 Veterinary Biosciences

(Level 8, 4 Years)

MTU Tralee: MT880 Wildlife Biology

(Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: US867 BioVeterinary Science

(Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: US738 Veterinary Nursing

(Level 7, 3 Years)

ATU Donegal: AU271 Veterinary Nursing

(Level 7, 3 Years)

Level 7 or level 8 degrees at technological

universities around the country.

# **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Animal Care 5M2768
- Canine First Aid

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications



I got to work in one of Ireland's best veterinary hospitals and that was exactly what I needed for me to recognise I was on the right path.

# My experience

# Cian Duffy

# Animal Care

My time at DCFE allowed me to find myself and thrive in both, an academic and social sense. I began the year unsure of myself and unsure of my plan for the future was. I allowed myself to step out of my comfort zone which gave me so much confidence.

As part of my work experience, I got to work in one of Ireland's best veterinary hospitals and that was exactly what I needed for me to recognise I was on the right path. Work experience went so well, and this resulted in me being employed as an Animal Care Assistant which has provided so much joy in my life and I wholeheartedly love every aspect of my job.

Being able to study a course you are passionate about and getting hands on experience in this field is so incredibly valuable to any student at this stage of life.

I am so grateful to have spent my time here at DCFE and I am now leaving with so much confidence, eagerness for the future and amazing friends to join me along the way.

# **Equine Studies**

Level 5 - Business Studies 5M2102 or Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or Horsemanship 5M3371



# WHAT IS EQUINE STUDIES?

This one-year course will prepare students for the everexpanding Irish equine industry and provide students with the knowledge and skills relating to the horse industry.

This course will enable the student who loves horses to pursue a career in the horse industry or continue their studies at third level in the equine area.

By changing their combination of modules, students can avail of the Business award or Laboratory Techniques award to continue to third level to study in this area.

On successful completion of the Level 5 Horsemanship 5M3371 and the Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Equine Breeding 6M3507 (see next page) students may meet the requirements for the Green Certificate and Young Trained Farmers status.

# **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Stable and Yard Routine
- Business Administration skills
- · Marketing practice
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)
- · Laboratory Techniques
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Communications
- Work Experience

- Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work
- Sport Horse Riding
- Sport Horse Riding Instruction
- Equine Nutrition
- Equine Anatomy and Physiology
- Horse Breeding
- Horse Conformation and Evaluation
- Young Horse Training Techniques

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

UCD: DN250 Animal Science-Equine (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH404 Business and Management (Add on Equine Module) (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

**TUS Athlone:** US867 Bio-Veterinary Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**CAFRE College:** College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise, Equine Management (3 Years Full-time)

On successful completion of Level 5 Horsemanship 5M3371 and the Advanced Certificate in Equine

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may seek employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with an equine, business or science aptitude.

Alternatively, students may also progress to participating Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) through the QQI Higher Education Links Scheme, Animal Science Equine in UCD and Bio-Veterinary Science in Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone on the science award 5M3807.

There are also a large range of other degree courses available in universities and technological universities throughout the country.

# **CERTIFICATION**

- Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102 or
- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or
- Level 5 Horsemanship 5M3371

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

# Advanced Equine Studies

Equine Breeding (6M3507)

# WHAT IS EQUINE BREEDING?

If you hold a QQI Level 5 in Equine studies, then why not take the opportunity to undertake further studies in Equine Breeding.

On successful completion of this QQI Level 6 award in Equine Breeding, students will be able to work in a supervisory role in a stud farm.

Graduates will be able to demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of equine breeding skills and pasture management together with theoretical and abstract thinking concepts related to breeding horses, horse conformation and pasture management. This award is designed to enable students to acquire the knowledge, skills and competence to work in a supervisory role in a stud or to progress to further or higher education and training.

The QQI Level 6 award in Equine Breeding is classed as an advanced certificate and meets the requirements for The Green Certificate and Young Trained Farmer status.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Equine Nutrition
- · Horse Conformation and Evaluation
- · Horse Breeding
- Business Management
- · Pasture Management
- Stable and yard Supervision
- Work Experience
- Communications

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates may seek employment in a range of companies and projects that seek graduates with an equine, business or science aptitude.

Alternatively, students may also progress to participating Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) through the QQI Higher Education Links Scheme, Animal Science Equine in UCD, and Bio-Veterinary Science in Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone on the science award 5M3807.

In addition, holders of QQI Level 6 awards may also be able to apply for other degree courses under Higher Education Link Scheme.



On successful completion of the Level 5
Horsemanship 5M3371 award (see previous page) and the Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Equine Breeding 6M3507 students may meet the requirements for the Green Certificate and Young Trained Farmers status.

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

UCD: DN250 Animal Science-Equine (Level 8)

Maynooth University: MH404 Business and Management (Add on Equine Module) (Level 8)

**TUS Athlone:** US867 BioVeterinary Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

**CAFRE College:** College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise, Equine Management (3 Years Fulltime)

On successful completion of Level 5 Horsemanship 5M3371 and the Advanced Certificate in Equine Breeding 6M3507 students may apply to Teagasc for recognition of their awards for the awarding of the Green Cert.

# **CERTIFICATION**

 Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Equine Breeding 6M3507

# **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Relevant Level 5 qualification or;
- · Mature Students or;
- · Other equivalent qualifications

# Advanced Pre-University **Animal Science**

Animal Science 6M5153



# WHAT IS ADVANCED PRE-UNIVERSITY ANIMAL SCIENCE?

If you hold a QQI Level 5 related award in areas such as animal care assistant, equine studies or equine breeding, then why not take the opportunity to undertake further studies in advanced animal science.

This award is designed to build on knowledge and skills achieved at Level 5 to help students progress into supervisory careers or into higher level options of study.

Our level 6 award will equip you with the necessary knowledge, skills and competence for all aspects animal science. These qualifications can be used to gain advanced entry to degree programmes in third level institutes.

# **COURSE CONTENT**

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change:

- · Animal Science and Health
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Canine Obedience and Training
- Kennel and Cattery Management
- Animal Behaviour
- **Humans Animals and Society**
- Investigative Studies
- **Animal Grooming**
- Business Management

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates from the Level 6 programme may apply for advanced entry on a range of level 7 or level 8 degree programmes in many universities or technological universities around the country.

Alternatively, graduates may seek immediate employment in a range of business/industry areas.

Graduates from this course may access veterinary nursing degrees in major universities. TUD also accept this course for entry to general science and bioscience degrees.

This course links with General Science in UCD (e.g. Zoology) and Agricultural Science in UCD. Other graduates have gone onto further study in Wildlife Biology (Munster Technological University, Tralee), Marine Biology (Atlantic Technological University GMIT), Bio-Veterinary at Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone or Munster Technological University, Tralee.

Some graduates may progress to employment in Animal Behaviour, Dog Grooming, Animal Welfare, Stables, Kennels, etc. Some students use this award to apply to a wide range of courses in the UK.

On successful completion of a relevant Level 5 award and this Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Animal Science 6M5153 students may meet the requirements for the Green Certificate and Young Trained Farmers status.

# **EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION:**

UCD: DN250 Agri-Environmental Sciences/ Agricultural Science (Zoology) (Level 8, 4 Years)

**UCD:** DN 310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years) DN250 Animal Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: US738 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years)

ATU Letterkenny: AU271 Veterinary Nursing (Level

**DKIT:** DK784 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 Years) TUS Athlone: US867 Bio-veterinary Science (

Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH208 Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

**DCU:** DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years) NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN250 Agricultural Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE502 Agricultural Science

(Level 8, 4 Years)

TCD: TR060 Biological and Biomedical Sciences

(Zoology Option) (Level 8, 4 Years) MTU Tralee: MT880 Wildlife Biology

(Level 8, 4 Years)

# **CERTIFICATION**

Level 6 Animal Science 6M5153

# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- · Relevant Level 5 qualification
- · Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications



This course has given me a lot more confidence in my knowledge of horses and in my ability to care for them.

# My experience

# Rachel Larkin

# **QQI Level 5 Equine Studies**

I found the level 5 in Horsemanship very enjoyable and I learned a lot throughout the year. When I started this course, I had only been back riding a few months after a very long break. I wanted a deeper understanding about horses and I thought doing this course would be a good first step. I loved learning about Anatomy and Physiology and Nutrition. The practical modules, such as, Riding and Stable and Yard were my favourite, because of the hands-on experience and the ability to practice skills.

This course has given me a lot more confidence in my knowledge of horses and in my ability to care for them. Another great part of this course was the trips out to different yards such as Woodpark, Anna Harvey and Karlswood. These trips were informative and interesting to see the different ways yards are run. Our teachers are fantastic, they are friendly, approachable and have a wealth of knowledge about horses. They put so much work into getting us through the course, making it engaging, fun and interesting. Loving the subject being studied can only get you so far, having great teachers that can keep you engaged and who are always there to help when you need it was the main reason this course runs so well.

I look forward to continuing my studies in the level 6 in Horse Breeding next year to get an even more in-depth education.

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# Dunboyne College Homepage

www.dunboynecollege.ie

# **MYDCFE:**

https://www.mydcfe.ie/studentguide/knowyourcourse



# DCFE Student Support Direct Email

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# List of support services on the Dunboyne college Website:

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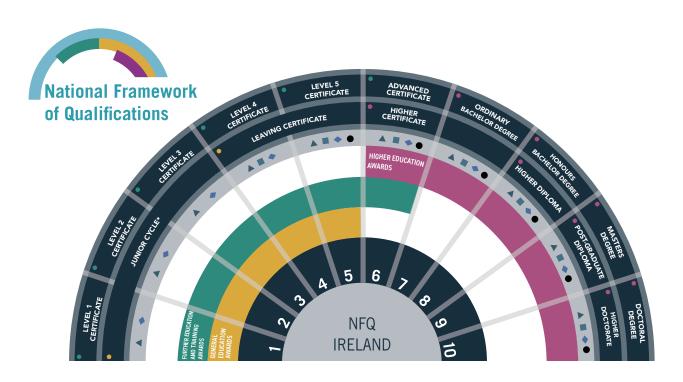
# National Framework of Qualifications

The National Framework of Qualifications comprises 10 levels. It accommodates awards gained in schools, colleges, universities, workplaces and training centres from the most basic (QQI Level 1) to the most advanced (HETAC Level 10) levels of learning.

The Framework encompasses all education and training provision in Ireland. QQI awards are available at Levels 1 to 6. The Framework shows how education and training awards relate to one another. A key element of the Framework is to enable access and progression opportunities between levels. QQI has responsibility for making awards from Levels 1 to 6 on the Framework www.QQI.ie.

The Framework helps to provide clarity to employers, students and the public on the type and level of qualifications available in Ireland. The module descriptor and student brief details the level of this qualification. Courses are certified by QQI (Quality and Qualifications Ireland) on the national framework of qualifications at Levels 3 to 6.

NQAI provides details of the ten levels on the National Framework of Qualifications at www.nfq.ie. QQI is the new body looking after all awards. Remember, under the new QQI links scheme your QQI award will often be interchangeable with other courses.



### **CLASSES OF AWARD**

Major Awards: named in the outer rings, are the principal class of awards made at a level

Minor Awards: are for partial completion of the outcomes for a Major Award

Supplemental Awards: are for learning that is additional to a Major Award

Special Purpose Awards: are for relatively narrow or purpose-specific achievement

Professional Awards: are for occupation-orientated qualifications including apprenticeships
\*Please refer to NCCA website, ncca.ie/en/junior-cycle/

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More information can be found on the Dunboyne College website or on www.mydcfe.ie

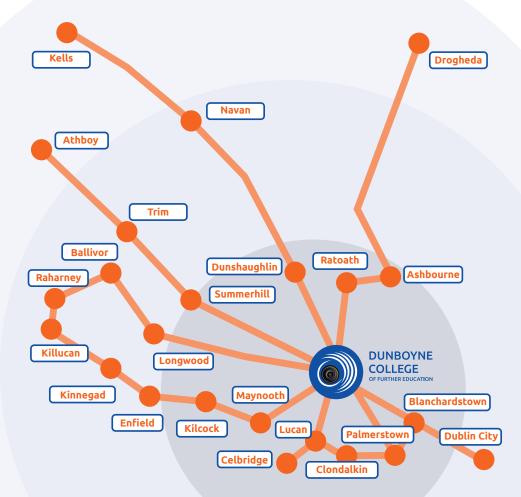


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