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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 2025, we are happy to introduce new courses in Mobile App Development, GP Practice Assistant and Marketing and PR. These join courses in Pre-University Engineering, Theatre Studies, and Criminology, Pre-University P.E. Teaching and Coaching, Personal Training and Fitness Instruction which were introduced in 2024. We also run a number of Higher National Diplomas in Animation, Film Production, Artist Development for Musicians and in Sound Engineering. 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 64 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

Denis Leonard

Principal



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 (TU Dublin).
- 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. Over 90% of those who achieve a full award from DCFE and who apply via the CAO get an offer to progress onto a Level 7 or Level 8 degree programme.
- We have links with partner colleges in the UK which give students the opportunity to complete their degree in nursing. These colleges include South Bank University, University of Bradford, University of Greenwich, Edge Hill 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.

CAO progression statistics*

**Most up to date at time of publication*

Universities and College offers to DCFE graduates

	<i>offers</i>
<i>TU Dublin</i>	<i>267</i>
<i>Maynooth University</i>	<i>156</i>
<i>Dublin City University (DCU)</i>	<i>54</i>
<i>Technical Institute of the Shannon</i>	<i>44</i>
<i>Atlantic Technological University</i>	<i>39</i>
<i>Dundalk IT</i>	<i>39</i>
<i>University College Dublin (UCD)</i>	<i>36</i>
<i>Trinity College Dublin</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>South East Technical University</i>	<i>18</i>



of DCFE applicants to the CAO receive an offer based on their QQI results¹

482

Level 8 offers to DCFE graduates

275

Level 7 offers to DCFE graduates

Most students received both a Level 7 and Level 8 offer

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 January, 6:00 - 8:30pm

Open Day: Thursday 03rd April, 09:30 - 2:00pm



Keep an eye on our website and social media for more information..

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Applying to Dunboyne College



Application Procedure

1. Applications can be made online at www.dunboynecollege.ie from November 2024 to September 2025.
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.
3. 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 be required for certain courses.
5. 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 2025.
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.
9. Applicants for the Apprenticeships in Hairdressing and Accounting Technician should note that there is a different system for applying. Please refer to the information listed for these apprenticeships.
10. Applications will be processed in line with Dunboyne College of Further Education Admissions Policy.

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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

Some courses require applicants to carry out a face-to-face interview. There may also be additional requirements, depending on the course you have selected.



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 3rd October 2025.

As there is usually a high demand for places, interviews will be conducted for some 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. Dunboyne College of Further Education 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. Dunboyne College of Further Education'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 Sick Children, 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!



Careers Fair



Green Campus Committee



Graduation



Health Week




International
Women's Day

Women's Week



Christmas Jumper Day

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

The student canteen is open from 8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday. It operates as a private franchise and supplies soup, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, snacks and fresh sandwiches. Students are requested to cooperate in keeping this area 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 being 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

Moodle is a course management system that provides an effective learning platform for students to enhance communication. The system provides access to a wide variety of resources. The college also uses this platform to issue important notices to students. Students are issued with login details at the start of their course. Teachers upload notes and details of assessment instructions.



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

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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.



Community Services Dog - Ulreeka

Ulreeka is a 3-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 every day.

Sensory Room

The Sensory Room serves as a sanctuary for students who may benefit from a calming and sensory-rich environment. Equipped with soothing lights, comfortable seating, and sensory tools, it offers a retreat for students to relax, recharge, and refocus. Whether they need a moment of tranquillity between classes or a quiet space to destress during exams, the Sensory Room provides a therapeutic oasis where students can find solace and regain their equilibrium.

Similarly, the Sensory Pod offers a unique immersive experience, allowing students to escape the hustle and bustle of campus life and immerse themselves in a tranquil and rejuvenating space. With customisable settings to cater to individual preferences, the Sensory Pod offers a multisensory experience that promotes relaxation, concentration, and emotional well-being. Whether students seek a moment of mindfulness or a brief respite from academic pressures, the Sensory Pod provides a sanctuary where they can unwind and rejuvenate.

Both the Sensory Pod and Sensory Room can be booked through our booking system.

Educational Support

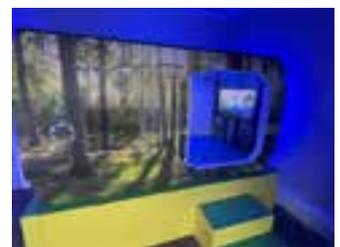
Dunboyne College of Further Education is committed to providing the best possible learning environment in relation to students with special educational needs and disabilities. Dunboyne College welcomes applications from students with special needs and makes provision, wherever possible, to facilitate 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 via email learninghub.dbc@lmetb.ie



Academic Support

Academic Support is available to all the students of Dunbooyne 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.

The Write Space is a writing centre where students can avail of support with research, referencing and academic writing. Academic writing workshops will also run throughout the year alongside supports available both in-person and online. More information will be made available in Project Management classes.

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 Dunbooyne 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.](#)



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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 or Derek via email - guidance.dbc@lmetb.ie

Mature Students Support

The college welcomes adults 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 Dunboyne College of Further Education.
- 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 www.studentfinance.ie 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 2025/2026 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



SCAN HERE

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.

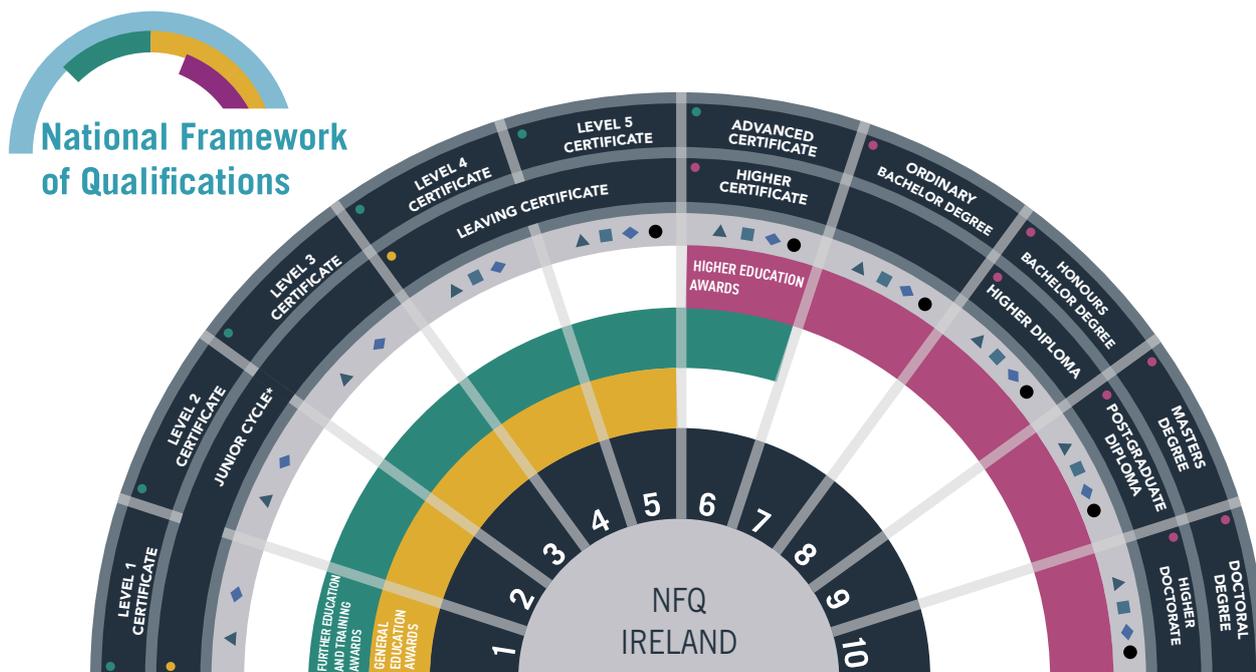
National Framework of Qualifications

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/

IRISH REGISTER OF QUALIFICATIONS

- For more information on
- Qualifications
 - Providers
 - Courses
- visit www.irq.ie



Healthcare

Pre-University Nursing

NEW GP Practice Assistant

Healthcare Assistant

Pre-Paramedic Fire and Ambulance
(with PHECC EFR)

Physiotherapy Assistant

Pre-Occupational Therapy Studies/
OT Assistant

Pre -Speech and Language
Therapy/SLT Assistant

Pharmacy Assistant



Pre-University Nursing

Nursing 5M4349



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

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, TU Dublin Blanchardstown, South East Technological University Carlow/Waterford, Maynooth University, TU Dublin, 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.

Excellent links with universities in Ireland and UK

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, University of 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 to Ulster University (the fees of which are covered by the NHS) and various nursing degree programmes in most UK universities.

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

GP Practice Assistant

Nursing Studies 5M4349

NEW



WHAT IS GP PRACTICE ASSISTANT?

This course aims to prepare students to support GPs to expand their practice by assisting the Practice Nurse and medical/admin staff. This course will equip the learner with the knowledge and skills required for this new role as identified by the Health Service Executive. GP Practice Assistants carry out roles such as recording vital signs and weight, sterilising equipment, restocking consultation rooms, covering administrative duties and communicating with patients and members of the public.

COURSE CONTENT

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

- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Human Growth and Development
- Care of the Older Person
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Care Skills
- Understanding Mental Health
- Word Processing
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may go straight into the workplace or can 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 GMT / 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.

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

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DCU, Trinity, UCC, UCD

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- Patient Moving and Handling
- First Aid
- CPR
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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

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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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may pursue Level 8 honours degree courses in many of the colleges around the country such as TU Dublin, 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.

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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU991 Applied Social Studies (Level 8, 4 years)

Maynooth University: MH107 Social Science (Level 4 years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU791 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

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.

COURSE CONTENT

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

Core Modules:

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Emergency Department Care Skills
- Word Processing
- Care Provision & Practice
- Teamworking
- Person Centred Focus to Disability
- Work Experience
- Infection Prevention and Control

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 paramedic/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.

EMPLOYMENT PROGRESSION

Numerous private ambulance companies provide opportunities for employment.

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) **for mature applicants only.**

UCC: CK708 Paramedicine (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

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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 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 Theory
- Care Support
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Infection Protection and Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- 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 highly 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

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 at Ulster University and certain other UK universities.

Mature Application to Level 8, 4 Year Physiotherapy degrees at:

UL: LM100, **Trinity:** TR053, **UCD:** DN420 and **RCSI:** RC004

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 (Free Fees)

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. This includes as Occupational Therapy Assistants with the QQI Level 5 qualification.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Successful graduates may gain employment in the HSE or with private health service providers. This includes as Occupational Therapy Assistants with the QQI Level 5 qualification.

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.

Mature Application to Level 8, 4 Year Occupational Therapy degrees at:

Trinity: TR054, **UL:** LM104, **UC:** CK704, **UG:** GY502

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

AU856 Occupational Safety and Health (Level 7, 3 Years)

Ulster University: BSc Occupational Therapy (Free Fees)

ATU Letterkenny: AU171 Health Science with Occupational Therapy Studies (Level 6, 2 Years). Progression to BSc Hons Occupational Therapy at Coventry University.

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)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Health Service Skills 5M3782
- Patient Handling

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

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

Apply directly at www.dunboynecollege.ie

Pre-Speech and Language Therapy Studies/SLT Assistant

Health Services Skills 5M3782



WHAT IS PRE-SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY STUDIES/SLT ASSISTANT?

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 life-changing 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
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Nutrition
- Word Processing

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.

PROGRESSION SUPPORT

Successful graduates may gain employment in the HSE or with private health service providers. This includes as Speech and Language Therapy Assistants with the QQI Level 5 qualification.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

Mature Application to Level 8, 4 Year Speech and Language degrees at:

Trinity: TR007, **UCC:** CK705, **UG:** GY503

Ulster University: BSc Speech and Language Therapy (Free Fees)

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

DCU: DC009 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

UCD: DN520 Arts (Level 8, 3 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 Speech and Language Masters programmes in University of Limerick, University of Galway, Trinity College or in the UK.

Graduates are eligible to apply directly for Speech and Language degrees in certain UK Universities.

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.

COURSE CONTENT

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), TU Dublin, 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, TU Dublin Grangegorman 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

Ulster University: Pharmacy MPharm

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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

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Students are given encouragement, advice and recognition for all their input, work and effort.

My experience

Bernadette Tomkins

Pharmacy Assistant/Healthcare in the Community

Wanting to return to work I considered doing a course in Dunboyne College. I needed to upskill and retrain as I have spent many years at home rearing my family. I also needed to gain proper training with modern technology.

Firstly, I completed a night course in Word Processing at Dunboyne College. I found this challenging but enjoyable. I was encouraged by my tutor to enrol in a full-time course. The college year runs from September to May for three full days a week, so it's a very quick year but also meant I could fit it in alongside my family commitments.

As a mature student, I was apprehensive. I was nervous that I might not be able for the pace of the course, understand the technology or fit in with the younger students. All of these concerns were groundless.

Dunboyne College is focused on ability, inclusion and self-belief. Students are given encouragement, advice and recognition for all their input, work and effort. My teachers and mentor were very supportive and helpful, as were my peers.

There is a support officer for mature students along with a mature room with facilities. These are essential services, especially at exam times when you need to talk, grab a coffee, study or use computers.

Students can access academic resources, learning supports, as well as career and personal guidance. These are important as the learning is intense, though interesting, in the first semester.

I am happy that I enrolled here and would definitely recommend it. I made new friends, got confidence with technology while gaining a recognised qualification. It was a worthwhile, enjoyable experience.



Social Care, Criminology and Psychology

Social Studies with
Psychology/Social Care

Youth and Community Work

Applied Psychology with
Criminology

Criminology, Psychology
with Law



Social Studies with Psychology/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
- Young People and Society
- Community Addiction Studies
- Safety and Health at Work
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Word Processing

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, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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.

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

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU991 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU791 Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

TU Dublin 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)

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.

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
- Exercise & Fitness
- Community Addiction Studies
- Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Applied Psychology
- Safety and Health at Work
- Special Needs Assisting

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 University, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

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

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU991 Applied Social Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU992 Community and Youth Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin 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)

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, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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. 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

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

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

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

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

TU Dublin: TU197 BA Counselling and Psychotherapy Degree (Mature Students only) (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin: TU198 Higher Certificate in Arts in Counselling (Mature Students only) (Level 6, 2 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)

TCD: TR006 Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

St. Nicholas College: NM802 Psychology (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

NCI: NC010 Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

ICHAS: Counselling & Psychotherapy

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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

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) TU Dublin Tallaght, TU864 DNA and Forensic Analysis (Level 8, 3 Years), CK120 Applied Psychology (Level 8, 3 Years)

TU Dublin: TU197 BA Counselling and Psychotherapy Degree (Mature Students only) (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin: TU198 Higher Certificate in Arts in Counselling (Mature Students only) (Level 6, 2 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)

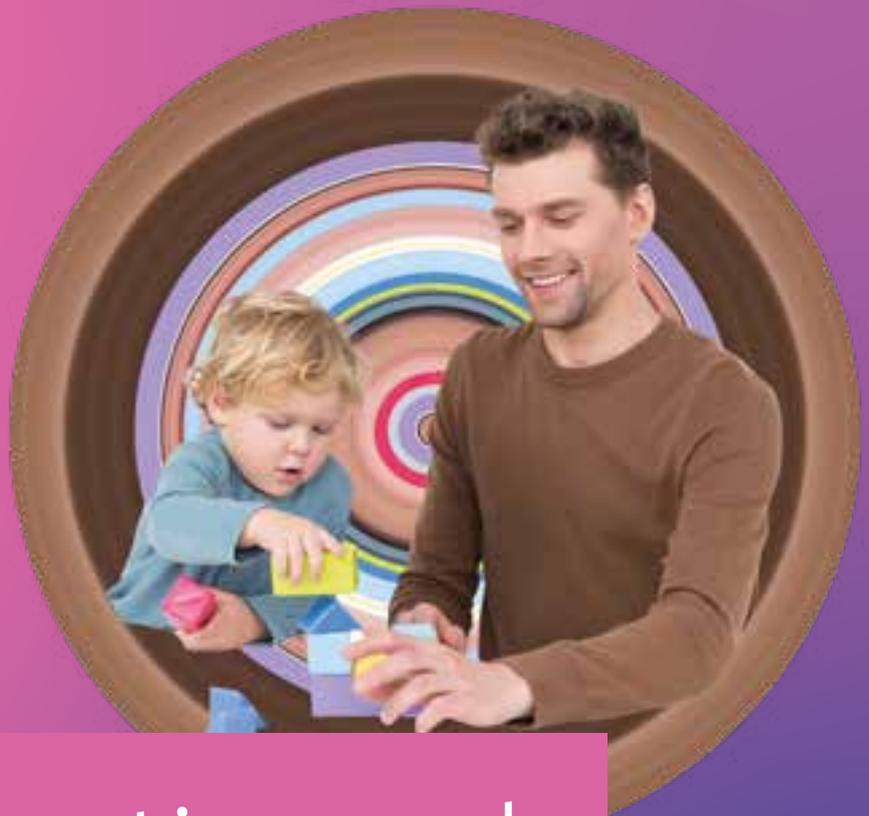
CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Community Health Services 5M4468

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Education and Childcare

Early Learning and Care
(Childcare)

Advanced Early Learning and
Care (Childcare)

Pre-University Arts/Teaching

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 with Additional Needs
- 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 TU Dublin 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 TU Dublin 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)

NCI: NC030 Early childhood Education and Care (Level 8, 4Years) - Advanced entry to year 2 with QQI Level 6 Qualification

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU993 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU790 Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 7, 3 Years)

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

TU Dublin 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 successfully complete a literacy assessment as part of the entry process. To successfully complete this programme students must have an 80% attendance rate each year. Entry to Year 2 is conditional on the successful completion of Year 1.

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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 Experience
- Research and Study Skills
- Psychology
- Understanding Special Needs
- Interpersonal and Group Behaviour
- Digital Presentations
- Language Options (Gaeilge, French, Spanish)

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.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

Maynooth University: 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

TU Dublin 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

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

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 subject to availability and demand:

- Special Needs Assisting
- Human Growth and Development
- Children with Additional Needs
- Safety and Health at Work
- Care Provision and Practice
- Word Processing
- Care Skills
- Work Experience
- Communications

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.

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

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

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

TU Dublin 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)

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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Science

- Pre-University Science
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- Pre-University Environmental and
Geographical Science
- Pre-University Science with Sports
- Pre-University Food Science
and Nutrition
- Pre-University Animal Science
- Pre-University Physiotherapy
- Animal Care Assistant
- 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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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 College 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



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

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

Ulster University: B230 Pharmacy (MPharm, 4 Years)

Ulster University: 9GOW Pharmaceutical Bioscience (MSc, 4 Years)

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

DCU: DC203 Science Education (Teaching) (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

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

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

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH221 Sport Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU854 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807



*This course reignited
my passion for
learning*

My experience

Jazmin Pomponio

QQI Level 5 Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science

This course was a critical milestone in my academic journey, particularly as a mature student returning to education.

Enrolling in this programme helped me to bridge the gap between my previous education and my aspiration to pursue a Level 8 degree. The course content was well-structured and tailored to students with varying backgrounds. The supportive faculty and nurturing environment eased my transition back into studying, research, and assignments. I really cannot speak highly enough of all the members of staff. Their care and commitment motivated me to achieve more than I thought possible.

What truly sets this course apart was its transformative impact on my confidence. The knowledge, skills, and hands-on laboratory experience provided a robust foundation, instilling in me a newfound assurance. This newfound confidence was pivotal in my decision to pursue higher education. The skills acquired at Dunboyne College proved incredibly relevant and beneficial for my subsequent Level 8 course, granting me a significant head start. This not only alleviated stress but also instilled a deep sense of self-assurance.

In summary, I highly recommend the Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science Level 5 course at Dunboyne College to anyone seeking a solid academic foundation in this field. It not only equipped me with the necessary knowledge, but also reignited my passion for learning. Thanks to this programme, I am now well-prepared and confident as I embark on my Level 8 degree journey.

Pre-University Agricultural 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.

COURSE CONTENT

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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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 College 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.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

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

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

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)

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 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)

University of Limerick: LM093 Equine Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

Pre-University Biomedical and Pharmaceutical 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 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
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Microbiology
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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 College 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 TU Dublin.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

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

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU876 Pharmaceutical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin: TU889 Biotechnology (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DKIT: DK783 Pharmaceutical Science (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)

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

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU854 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC163 Chemical Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Ulster University: B230 Pharmacy (MPharm, 4 Years)

Ulster University: 9GOW Pharmaceutical Bioscience (MSci, 4 Years)

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

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 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.

COURSE CONTENT

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

- Criminology
- Biology
- Laboratory Techniques
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Physics
- Microbiology
- Word Processing
- Anatomy & Physiology

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU863 Digital Forensics and Cyber Security (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU851 Analytical Chemistry – Environmental Forensic Pharmaceutical (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU864 DNA and Forensic Analysis (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

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

ATU GMT: 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)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Pre-University Environmental and Geographical Science

Laboratory Techniques 5M3807



WHAT IS ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE?

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.

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
- Anatomy & Physiology

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 TU Dublin. Students can progress onto the Level 8 QQI award in Planning and Environment at TU Dublin Grangegorman and Sustainable Energy at TU Dublin 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

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

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)

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

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU835 Planning and Environmental Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU869 Environmental Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU806 Sustainable Energy Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU851 Analytical Chemistry - Environmental Forensic Pharmaceutical (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 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 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

Pre-University Science with Sports

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 sector.

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 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
- Communications
- Biology
- Work Experience
- Laboratory Techniques
- Chemistry
- Word Processing
- Sports Anatomy and Physiology
- Exercise and Fitness
- Physics

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, UCD, DCU, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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 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

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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU995 Sports and Leisure Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH221 Sport Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

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

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

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

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

TU Dublin 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)

TUS Athlone: AL837 Sports Science with Exercise Physiology (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

UCD: DN425 Health and Performance Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

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I gained invaluable knowledge, skills, full time employment, great connections and friends.

My experience

Cian Duffy

Advanced Animal Science

Dunboyne College of Further Education is a great place for any aspiring student to study. DCFE allows for people to explore their passions and find what they truly enjoy all the while offering work placement as real industry experience. It gives the opportunity to try something without having to commit to a 3 or 4-year course right away like other colleges. The PLC structure is perfect for people right out of secondary school or people returning to academia. After my Leaving Certificate there was no way I could have gone directly into a university course as I had no idea what I really wanted to do. I was very interested in art and fashion at the time, but I had always had a deep love for animals and a passion for biology. In the end I chose to study Animal Science in DCFE in the 2023 academic year. Looking back, my life would have been significantly different and not as fulfilling if I had not gone down this path.

DCFCE allowed me to study full time a topic I loved and, with work placement, allowed me to find exactly what career path I want to pursue. The best part about the college is its excellent tutors, who bring great knowledge, experience and understanding to their teaching as they have not only worked in the industry prior but also quite a few have gone down the PLC route themselves which is very inspiring. Tutors are very understanding and caring for their students in supporting them through their journey. The college also offers a multitude of supports for people with additional needs such as me. From this course, I gained invaluable knowledge and practical skills, full time employment and so many great connections and friends.

I have just completed the Level 6 Advanced Animal Science in Dunboyne having completed the Level 5 in Animal Science course last year. This advanced course allowing me to get one step closer to my goal and additionally allowed for new skills to be gained, expanded and developed on established skills which will always stand to me in the future. My dream is to become a veterinary nurse and I am incredibly determined to achieve this dream because of my time at DCFCE. Becoming a veterinary nurse wasn't even on my radar after the Leaving Certificate but now I couldn't imagine doing anything else.

Pre-University Food Science and Nutrition

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
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Infection Prevention & Control
- Mathematics
- Food Processing
- Nutrition
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Microbiology
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Laboratory Techniques
- Dietetics

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may apply for science certificate or degree courses in TCD, UCD, DCU, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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 and 10 places in Trinity College 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

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

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

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU881 Food Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

Ulster University: B460 Dietetics (BSc, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH221 Sport Science and Health (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)

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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 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 for 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
- Word Processing
- Animal Behaviour
- Animal Welfare

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this course may apply for Veterinary Nursing degrees in major Universities and ITs. TU Dublin 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 GMT), 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.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

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 (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN 310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

UCD: DN200 Science (Zoology Option) (Level 8, 4 Years)

University of Limerick: LM093 Equine Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

MTU: MT784 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 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)

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)

Maynooth University: MH201 Science (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

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

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

ATU: AU555/655AU Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology (Level 7, 3 Years) (Level 8, 4 years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 or
- Animal Care 5M2768

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

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 ITs 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.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

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

Mature Application to Level 8, 4 Year Physiotherapy degrees at:

UL: LM100, **Trinity:** TR053, **UCD:** DN420 and **RCSI:** RC004

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)

Maynooth University: MH221 Sport Science and Health (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin 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. Graduates are eligible to apply directly for Physiotherapy undergraduate degrees at Ulster University and certain other UK Universities.

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

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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.

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. TU Dublin 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, GMT), 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 (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN 310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN200 Animal Science (Zoology) (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

MTU: MT784 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)

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)

ATU: AU555/655AU Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology (Level 7, 3 Years) (Level 8, 4 years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 6 in Animal Science 6M5153

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Level 5 Animal Care 5M2768 or equivalent

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 Anatomy and Physiology
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Animal Behaviour
- Veterinary Assisting skills
- Biology
- Maths
- Word Processing
- Animal 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 TU Dublin Grangegorman.

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)

MT880 Wildlife Biology (Level 8, 4 Years)

MT784 Veterinary Nursing (Level 7, 3 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



The college's social scene is amazing and the entire staff was warm and accommodating

My experience

Qudseya Mohibbi

Pre-University Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science

I completed my level 5 with distinctions in all laboratory technique modules, and now I'll start my course in Biological and Biomedical science at Trinity College this year.

My time at Dunboyne College was fantastic, and I learned a lot there that will help me as I grow as a student and a young adult. The college's social scene is amazing, and the entire staff was warm and accommodating. The Learning Hub is one of the best services that helped me with my English. Thanks to my teachers at Dunboyne College, the courses helped me prepare for university, and I now feel confident beginning my Level 8 degree. As I have knowledge and experience in the areas of science, the environment, and healthcare, as well as skill in writing assignments according to academic referencing guidelines, I am one step closer to achieving my goal.

I am grateful to the wonderful staff once again and want to express how much I will appreciate the memories that I made in Dunboyne!





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Law and Politics

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 postgraduate 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
- Political Studies
- Family Law

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There are places on Law and Legal Studies degrees in TCD, UCC, DCU, TU Dublin Grangegorman, 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 and 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.

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



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 and UCC 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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 Global Challenges (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)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts Law (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
- Business Law
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Word Processing
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Criminology
- Family Law

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There are places for graduates of this course on Law and Legal Studies degrees in TCD, UCC, DCU, TU Dublin Grangegorman, 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, 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.

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.

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 and UCC 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)

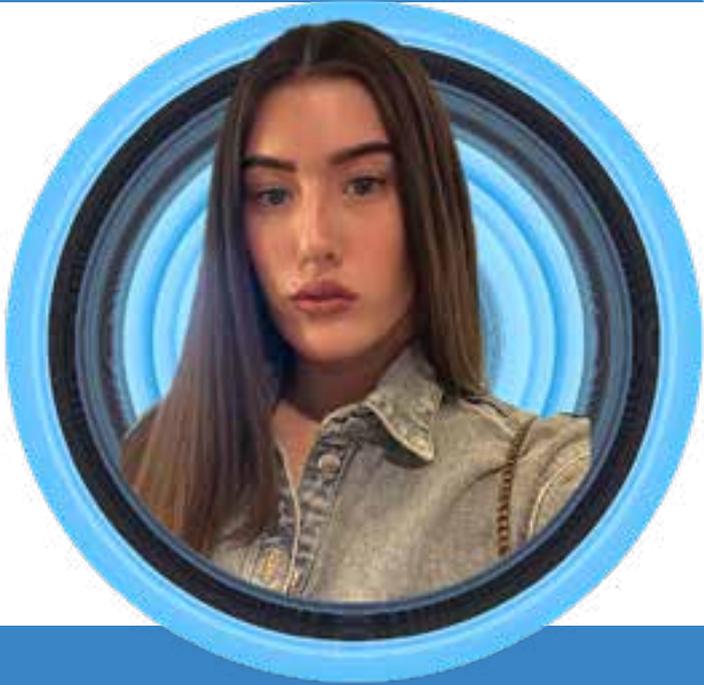
Maynooth University: MH101 Arts Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

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



You don't need to have it all figured out when you start in Dunboyne College but starting a course there can create a clear path for better experiences

My experience

Casey Larkin

Pre-University Law

My time in Dunboyne College of Further Education really did shape me into the academic achiever I am today and following a bad experience, helped to rebuild me as a person. When I came to Dunboyne College, I was lacking in hope and confidence but, nonetheless grateful for a second chance.

In Dunboyne College, failure was never an option. Within a couple weeks, I was convinced this time around I would end up in DCU. After less than a year of hard work, I finished with 12 distinctions and Student Of The Year at graduation. I was asked to give a speech about my time in Dunboyne and a couple weeks later received my dream offer in Dublin City University within the Bachelor of Civil Law and Society course. I am now entering the third year of my degree.

You don't need to have it all figured out when you start in Dunboyne College but starting a course there can create a clear path for better experiences. All you need is some motivation and a little dream.

I also made some great memories, met some amazing people and made some great friends. I recommend a year in Dunboyne College to every single person and am so grateful to all of the staff and teachers who had an impact on me during my time there. I will continue to carry your support throughout my career.

Pre-University Business Law

Legal Studies 5M3789 or Business Studies 5M2102



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:

- Business Law
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Word Processing
- Work Experience
- Start Your Own Business
- Communications
- Business Administration
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)
- Safety and Health at Work

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There are places on Law and Legal Studies degrees in UCC, DCU, TU Dublin Grangegorman/ Tallaght, 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 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.

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.

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 and UCC 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

SETU Carlow: SE403 Business with Law (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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
- Social 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

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 College, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, TU Dublin, DCU, Dundalk Institute of Technology. Graduates can also access the 175 places in First Arts in Maynooth University.

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)

Trinity: TR015 Philosophy, Political Science, Economics & Sociology (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

DCU: DC295 Arts – Politics (Level 8, 3 Years)

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

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

DCU: 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU902 International Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

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



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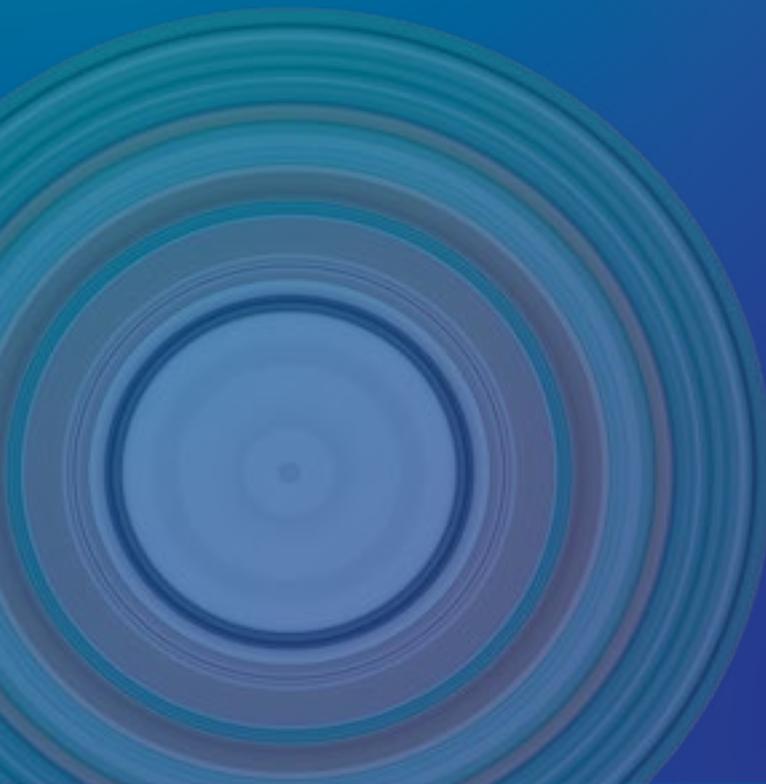


Arts

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 the 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
- Research and Study Skills
- Communications
- Folklore and Ethnology
- Word Processing
- Archaeology
- Work Experience
- Language option

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may pursue certificate or degree courses in TCD, UCD, DCU, TU Dublin Grangegorman/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 and 10 places in Trinity College in First Science for QQI graduates.

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)

Trinity: TR015 Philosophy, Political Science, Economics & Sociology (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 Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

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

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



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My experience

Keith Walsh

Pre-University Liberal Arts

I graduated from the Liberal Arts course in May 2023. Like many students, in 2020, my Junior Cert was cancelled, meaning that my Leaving Cert would be the first State Exam I would ever sit. I struggled through the next two years of school and finally reached the exam day. I hadn't figured out what I wanted to do, and barely had any motivation, or time, to research courses and colleges. On my CAO I had three options; my first pick being the Arts Course in Maynooth University and I hoped to study English, and the second and third taken up by two game and graphic design courses that I hadn't really any interest in. Some people asked me why I had changed my CAO so drastically, as the jump from game design to English seemed sudden, and it was. I was lost, completely and utterly lost. I had no passions and no hobbies during the last two years of secondary school, and definitely had no idea what I, a seventeen-year-old, wanted to do for the rest of my life.

Once the exams were over, I got a job, tasted a bit of freedom and adulthood, and concluded that I would simply not go to any college, despite the advice of my parents. Now, I'm not saying that everyone must go to college or university, sometimes it simply isn't someone's cup of tea. What I am saying is that applying to do a Post-Leaving Certificate course helped me to understand that school didn't have to be dreadful. Dunboyne College was a breath of fresh air. It was new, and a mixture of just the right amount of freedom and structure. There was something familiar and comforting about this college, like I was being gently guided into the deep end, instead of just thrown in. I enjoyed that my voice and opinions were heard and listened to in the classroom. I liked that I had free time and the choice to walk into the village for a bit, or work on an assignment. I loved that my teachers understood that we have lives outside of the classroom and accommodated us the best they could. Dunboyne was the first college I went to where my individuality was accepted, noticed, heard, seen, and loved. I was excited to see my friends and be in the classroom as we flourished together. I had time to reconnect with my love of reading and writing, while also falling in love with new topics like philosophy.

I left Dunboyne in May of 2023 without any regrets of going. I'm writing this from the library in Maynooth University, a place at one point I'd never thought I would attend. But I'm here, completing my first year of my Arts degree and studying English with friends I made in Dunboyne College, friends who are no doubt some of the best people I have met. I know that I could not have completed this much of my degree, though it's only a little bit, without having attended Dunboyne College first. Dunboyne College set me up, not only to succeed, but to thrive.

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:

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

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, Milltown, UCC, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, South East Technological University Carlow, NUIG, TU Dublin, 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.

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)
- American College:** AC137 Liberal Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)
- TCD:** TR277 English Literature / Modern Language (Level 8, 4 Years)
- Trinity:** TR015 Philosophy, Political Science, Economics & Sociology (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 Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Theatre Performance 5M5163



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 Ireland's 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 to 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
- Work Practice
- Team Working
- Event Production

The following may be offered as options on this course:

- TV and Film Acting
- Stage Management and Administration
- Creative Writing
- Film Production
- Literary, Visual and Performing Arts
- Music Performance
- Sound Engineering and Production

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, Milltown, UCC, Technological University of the Shannon Athlone, South East Technological University Carlow, NUIG, TU Dublin, 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 Theatre Performance.

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 (Level 7, 3 Years)

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

MTU Cork: MT939 Theatre and Drama Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Theatre Performance 5M5163

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



I would genuinely recommend the college to anyone interested in Further Education.

My experience

Ciara Kelly

Pre-University Liberal Arts

During my time studying Pre-University Liberal Arts at Dunboyne College of Further Education, I have found the college to be a supportive and inclusive environment which has allowed me to come out of my shell. All my tutors were encouraging, understanding and friendly, making the classes enjoyable as well as informative.

Dunboyne College's learning hub and sensory rooms have been very helpful for me in managing workload and stress. The guidance counsellors at the college have also been a great source of support. In a year I have learned and grown so much, and I am grateful for my experience of studying here. It has revitalised my interest in learning and taught me valuable skills which will serve me in my academic progression.

Therefore, I would genuinely recommend the college to anyone interested in Further Education.





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Business & Accountancy

Pre-University Business

Advanced Pre-University Business

Human Resource Management

Pre-University Business, Finance
and Accounting

Accounting Technician Apprenticeship

Auctioneering, Valuation and Estate Agency

Office Administration - Legal and
Medical Secretary

Office Accounts and Administration

Hospitality and Business with Event Management

Pre-University Marketing and Public Relations



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 Certificates 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
- Business Law
- Mathematics
- Language option
- Start Your Own Business

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, TU Dublin Blanchardstown / Grangegorman / 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.

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

The following may be offered as options on this course

- Financial Services
- Taxation

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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU903 Business and Management (Level 8, 4 years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU902 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

NCI: NC009 Business (Level 8, 3 years)

NCI: NC103 Business (level 6, 2 years) Advanced entry to Year 2 from QQI Level 5

NCI: NC103 Business (Level 6, 2 Years)

MTU Kerry: MT940 Event Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102

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

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, TU Dublin Blanchardstown/Grangegorman/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.

This course has an additional entry requirement

- Level 5 in 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)

TU Dublin: 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU902 Business (Level 8)

Maynooth University: MH412 Business and Sports Science (Level 8), MH101 Arts (Level 8)

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)

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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 Resource Management
- Behavioural Studies
- Marketing Practice
- Business Administration
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Business Law
- Customer Service
- Word Processing
- Mathematics

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 DBS directly on Human Resource Management degrees. Students may also progress to Business and Marketing degrees among others within universities such as Maynooth University, 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.

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)

TU Dublin Aungier St: 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)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU932 Business Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU104/TU903 Business Management (Level 7 and 8, 3 or 4 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 in 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:

- Communications
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)
- Bookkeeping (Manual & Computerised)
- Spreadsheet Methods
- Financial Services
- Business Administration Skills
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Applied Economics
- Mathematics

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, TU Dublin Blanchardstown, Grangegorman 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.

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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU775 Accounting and Finance (Level 7, 3 years)

Accounting Technician Ireland: Accounting Apprenticeships (Level 6, 2 Years)

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. With the Business element to this course, students can progress to work as administrators in many other types of offices.

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 AND APPLYING

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 2025.

- 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 Technicians Ireland nominating Dunboyne College of Further Education as your preferred college.



Accounting Technicians Ireland

See www.accountingtechniciansireland.ie/study

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:

- Marketing Practice
- Business Administration
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Estate Agency Practice
- Valuations
- Retail Selling
- Entrepreneurial Skills

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this course can access many university and college degrees throughout the country. There are places available to students in TU Dublin, 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.

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITY

Apprenticeships are available in this sector.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Bolton Street: TU836 Property Economics (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Bolton Street: 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)

National Auctioneering and Property Services Apprenticeship (Level 6, 2 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

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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
- Medical Terminology
- Word Processing
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Audio Transcription

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 TU Dublin, 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.

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 (Level 8, 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU902 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU932 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level 8, 4 years)

DCFE: Advanced Office administration (Level 6, 1 year)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Office Accounts and Administration

Business Administration 5M2468



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
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)

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 TU Dublin, DCU, UCD, Maynooth College, 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.

Family friendly timetable

Core modules will be scheduled between 10am and 2pm

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU775 Accounting and Finance (Level 7, 3 Years)

ATU Sligo: AU801 Business Administration (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU902 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU772 Business (Level 7, 3 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCFE: Advanced Office administration (Level 6, 1 year)

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

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

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Hospitality 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)

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 TU Dublin Grangegorman, Tallaght, UCC, NUIG, Shannon College of Hotel Management (Shannon) for tourism and travel as well as other colleges for business certificates and degrees.

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU747 Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU745 Hospitality Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU952 International Hospitality Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU746 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU954 Event Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU953 Tourism and Digital Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU951 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE921 Hospitality Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

MTU Kerry: MT940 Event Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

DKIT: DK750 Hospitality Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

DCU: DC111 Business (Level 8, 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

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Pre-University Marketing and Public Relations

Marketing 5M2069



WHAT IS MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS?

This one-year course is an ideal entry level qualification for all aspects of the Marketing and Business world.

There is a large demand for people with marketing and business skills in the world of work.

This course gives students the opportunity to progress directly to employment or third level.

COURSE CONTENT

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

- Behavioural Studies
- Marketing Practice
- Economics
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Advertising
- Digital Marketing
- Business Administration
- Maths

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 College, TU Dublin, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, UCC, NUIG, for marketing courses as well as other colleges for general business or eBusiness certificates and degrees.

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)

TU Dublin 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU920 Digital Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 in Marketing 5M2069

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



The style of learning was fun and engaging with real-life experience in work placement.

My experience

Jack Owens

Auctioneering, Real Estate and Valuations

Initially starting in Dunboyne I was doubtful as I never thought further or higher education was for me but now that the year is finished, I realise it was one of the best decisions I have made so far. Not only was the style of learning fun and engaging it also gives you real life experience as the work placement gives you a feel for the industry of your possible future career. This experience will stick with me through the rest of my 3rd level education journey.

With a QQI Level 5 certificate, not only are you given the opportunity to go further into education and receive a level 7 or 8 degree, but you also have the opportunity to go straight into the work force of your desired career. The support provided from teaching staff really helps to guide you through the year and takes a lot of pressure off any students if they are struggling, as the staff made students feel at ease with endless amounts of help and guidance.

Receiving the full FET award has given me the opportunity to progress into my favoured level 8 course, something I never thought I would say. Going into Dunboyne, I had very little direction of where I wanted to go and now leaving Dunboyne, I know for sure I will be pursuing a career in the Real Estate industry along with the options to branch elsewhere in the business world.

I would highly recommend Dunboyne College to any student after their Leaving Certificate or anyone looking to go back to education because they can really give you a different perspective on where you want to be.





Computing & Technology

Software Development and
Games Design

Pre-University Computer
Networks and Cyber Security

Graphic Design with Digital Media

NEW Mobile App Development



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
- Maths for IT
- Web Authoring
- Mobile Technologies
- 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; TU Dublin, 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU856 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU984 Game Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU713 Computer Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU655 Computing – Networking Technologies (Level 6, 2 Years) - Direct Application

NCI: NC102 Computing (Level 6, 2 Years)

SETU: SE603 Software Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU713 Computer Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU807 Computer Engineering in Mobile Systems (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
- Certificates in Cyber Security available

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Pre-University Computer Networks and Cyber Security

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
- Mobile Technologies
- Programming and Design Principles
- Work Experience
- ICT Security Policy and Management

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 TU Dublin, Maynooth University, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, TU Dublin 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.

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

There are over 175 places available reserved for QQI entrants on First Arts in Maynooth.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

Maynooth University: MH601 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK721 Computing (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin 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)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU812 Design, Technology and Innovation (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU716 Networking Technologies (Level 7, 3 Years)

TUS Limerick: US827 Computer Network Systems and Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Angier Street: TU811 Product Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU713 Computer Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU807 Computer Engineering in Mobile Systems (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU655 Computing – Networking Technologies (Level 6, 2 Years) - Direct Application

NCI: NC102 Computing (Level 6, 2 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Computer Systems and Networks 5M0536
- Certificates in Cyber Security available.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Apply directly at www.dunboynecollege.ie

Graphic Design with Digital Media

Graphic Design 5M1995



WHAT IS GRAPHIC DESIGN WITH 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
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Digital Photography
- Graphic Design Skills
- Image Processing
- Drawing
- Computer Illustration Graphics
- Illustration

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, TU Dublin, 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.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin 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)

IATD: DL826 Graphic Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Midlands: US700 Graphic Design (Level 7, 3 Years)

ATU Donegal: AU233 Graphic Design and Illustration (Level 7, 3 years)

NCAD: AD102 Graphic Design and Moving Image Design (Level 8, 4 years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Graphic Design 5M1995

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Mobile App Development

Software Development 5M0529



WHAT IS MOBILE APP DEVELOPMENT?

Unlock your future in software development and mobile technologies.

This course looks at software development but places a specific focus on mobile application development.

In the dynamic and fast-paced tech world, expertise in software development and mobile application technologies is more crucial than ever. Our comprehensive course is designed to guide aspiring developers through a structured pathway, equipping you with the skills and knowledge needed to excel in this thriving industry.

Master In-Demand Skills

Today's job market demands proficiency in software development, and our course is tailored to meet these needs. You'll delve into the fundamental principles of object-oriented programming, software architecture, and design principles. Gain hands-on experience with database methods and front-end design to round out your development toolkit.

Specialise in Mobile Technologies

The course places a strong emphasis on mobile application development. Learn to create robust, scalable, and efficient mobile applications, positioning yourself at the forefront of this booming sector. Develop expertise in popular programming languages and mobile technologies, ensuring you can build cutting-edge apps for both iOS and Android platforms.

COURSE CONTENT

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

- Mobile Technologies
- Fundamentals of Object-Oriented Programming
- Software Architecture
- Programming and Design Principles
- Database Methods
- Maths for IT
- Web Authoring
- Communications
- Work Experience

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of this course are well-prepared to pursue further studies or embark on a career in the computing and mobile app development sectors. With a skill set tailored to start you on your journey as a mobile application developer, you can learn the skills needed to become an important member of mobile application development team.

Engage with FIT, an IT-led initiative offering students the opportunity to acquire essential skills for employment in the IT sector. QQI graduates are also eligible to apply to various universities and technological institutes for Level 7 and Level 8 degree programs, including TUD, Maynooth University, Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone, NUIG, and more.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU807 Computer Engineering in Mobile Systems (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: US826 Mobile and Web Computing (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: US710 Mobile and Web Computing (Level 7, 3 Years)

Maynooth University: MH601 Multimedia, Mobile and Web Development through Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH602 Multimedia, Mobile and Web Development through Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Athlone: US715 Software Design (Mobile Apps and Connected Devices) (Level 7, 3 Years)

TUS Athlone: US823 Software Design (Mobile Apps and Connected Devices) (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK821 Computing in Software Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

UCD: DN201 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU856 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Software Development 5M0529.
- Certificates in Cyber Security Available.

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 3D Modelling and Animation
- Computer Aided Design 3D
- Safety and Health
- Word Processing
- Illustration
- Multimedia Authoring

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.

This course is run in conjunction with Advanced Manufacturing Training Centre of Excellence (AMTCE) (LMETB) <http://amtce.ie/>



EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TUS Athlone: US715 Software Design (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)
DC121 Computer 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)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Creative Media 5M5048

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



**DUNBOYNE
COLLEGE**
OF FURTHER EDUCATION



Engineering

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, and 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
- Control Systems
- Computer Aided Draughting
- Engineering Drawing Communications
- Work Experience
- Materials Science
- Maths for STEM

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students who graduate from this course are well prepared and have an understanding at a foundation level in engineering 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 TU Dublin, 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.

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

Trinity: TR032 Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC200 Common Entry into Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU804 General Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years) or TU708 General Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Bolton Street: TU805 General Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years) or TU709 (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU828 Mechanical Engineering (Level 7 & 8, 3/4 Years)

DCU: DC197 Biomedical Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE714 Aerospace Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: US761 Civil Engineering (Level 7 & 8, 3/4 Years)

DKIT: DK845 Electrical and Electronic Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH60/ MH602 Computer Science and Software Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Bolton Street: TU805 Building Engineering (Level 7 & 8, 3/4 Years)

DCU: DC193 Mechatronic Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU713 Computer Engineering (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU807 Computer Engineering in Mobile Systems (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: US901 Renewable and Electrical Engineering (Level 7 & 8, 3/4 Years)

MTU: MT837 Sustainable Energy Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Engineering Technology 5M2061



Visual Art & Design

Art and Design with Portfolio

Animation

Higher National Diploma in The
Animation Industry

Graphic Design with Digital Media

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
- Painting
- Communications
- Combined Materials
- Sculpture
- Work Experience
- Design Skills
- Embroidery

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may pursue an art diploma or degree in NCAD, TU Dublin, 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 7/8 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.



EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Art 5M1985

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications
- Applicants will be asked to submit samples of work

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:

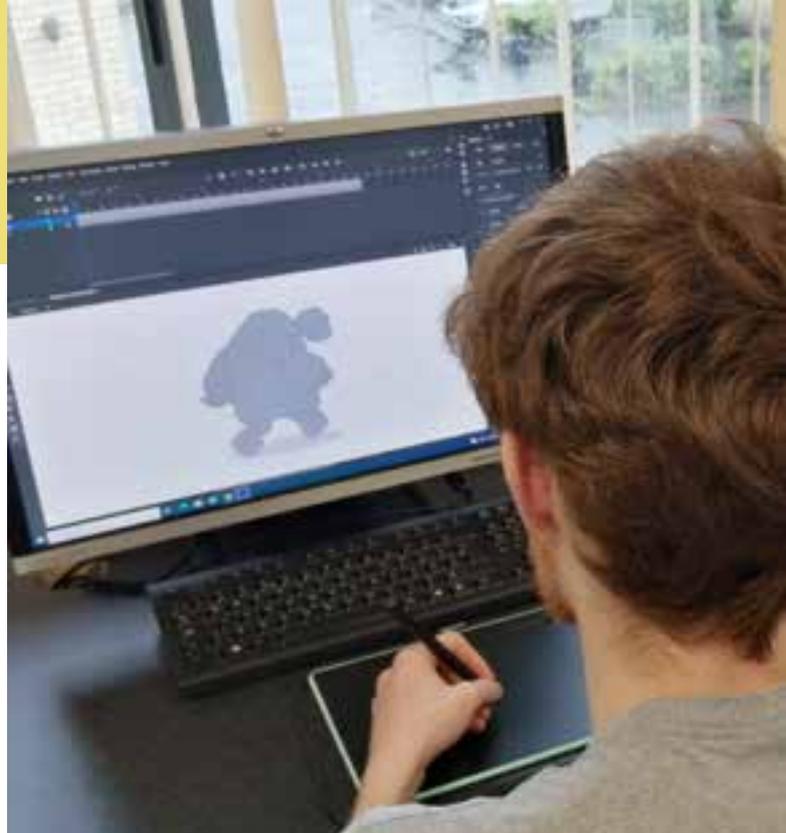
- Animation Layout Design
- Design Skills
- Animation Drawing Studies
- Animation
- Painting
- Drawing
- Sculpture
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Figure Studies

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 TU Dublin, 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.

For further information please visit <https://animationireland.com/studios/>



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, 4 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Art 5M1985

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Leaving Certificate or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications
- Applicants will be asked to submit samples of work.

Apply directly at www.dunboynecollege.ie

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 Ireland's 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.

For further information please visit <https://animationireland.com/studios/>

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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, 4 Years)

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

- 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 second 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 with Digital Media

Graphic Design 5M1995



WHAT IS GRAPHIC DESIGN WITH DIGITAL MEDIA?

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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
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Digital Photography
- Graphic Design Skills
- Image Processing
- Drawing
- Computer Illustration Graphics
- Illustration

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, TU Dublin, 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.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin 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)

IATD: DL826 Graphic Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Midlands: US700 Graphic Design (Level 7, 3 Years)

ATU Donegal: AU233 Graphic Design and Illustration (Level 7, 3 years)

NCAD: AD102 Graphic Design and Moving Image Design (Level 8, 4 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)
- Computer Illustrated Graphics
- Word Processing
- Design Skills
- Mathematics
- Combined Materials
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may pursue degree courses such as Architectural Technology or Architecture at TU Dublin 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.

PROGRESSION 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)

TU Dublin Bolton Street: 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU831 Architectural Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: Interior Design (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Aungier Street: 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
- Applicants will be asked to submit samples of work.



Film & Media

Media and Film Production

Higher National Diploma in
Film Production

Journalism

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, TU Dublin, 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, and Multimedia Production. There are also many further studies opportunities on QQI Level 6 courses.

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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 Production (Film)



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.

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU983 Film and Broadcasting (Level 8, 4 years)

Maynooth University: 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

- 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

Journalism 5M2464



WHAT IS JOURNALISM?

This one-year course in journalism 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
- Word Processing
- Creative Writing
- Political Studies

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The journalism award will allow graduates to access the Level 8 degree in Journalism at DCU, TU Dublin, 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 TU Dublin Blanchardstown, Tallaght and Grangegorman, South East Technological University, Carlow, IADT and many more.

PROGRESSION 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Journalism 5M2464

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



Music & Sound

Music Performance

Sound Production

Higher National Diploma in Artist
Development for Musicians

Higher National Diploma in Sound
Engineering

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 Dunboync 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, TU Dublin, 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

Dunboync College: DCFE HND Music (Level 6, 2 Years)

Maynooth University: MH101 Arts Music Technology (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman/BIMM: TU961 Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK860 Applied Music (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK771 BA in Music Theatre (Level 7, 3 Years)

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

An 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, TU Dublin 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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 or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

Applicants should be computer literate.

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

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 are 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
- Advanced Music Production
- Composing to a Brief

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;
- Level 5 major award in a relevant area or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

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 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
- Developing as an Artist
- Creative Research Project
- 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 or Leaving Certificate Applied or;
- Level 5 major award in a relevant area or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications,





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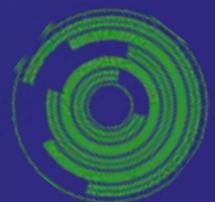
Hospitality & Tourism

Tourism and Business

Tourism and Airline Studies

Culinary Techniques

Advanced Professional Cookery



Tourism and Business

*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 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 Skills
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work
- Hotel Receptionist Diploma

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 TU Dublin Grangegorman, 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

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may seek immediate employment in a range of tourist or other marketing areas.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU745 Hospitality Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU952 International Hospitality Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU746 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU747 Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU954 Event Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU953 Tourism and Digital Marketing (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin 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 (Level 8, 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)

MTU Kerry: MT940 Event Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Tourism with Business 5M2011 or
- Level 5 in Business Studies 5M2102

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
- Safety and Health at Work

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 TU Dublin Grangegorman 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.

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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU747 Tourism Management (Level 7, 3 Years)

DKIT: DK850 International Tourism Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU951 International Hospitality and Tourism Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU772 Business (Level 7, 3 Years)

MTU Kerry: MT940 Event Management (Level 8, 3 Years)

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

Apply directly at www.dunboynecollege.ie

Culinary Techniques

Professional Cookery 5M2088



WHAT IS CULINARY TECHNIQUES?

This course offers students an exciting opportunity to master practical culinary skills while exploring the fascinating science behind food and food hygiene.

Along the way, students will dive into the latest kitchen technologies and learn the business side of cooking operations.

By completing this course, students will gain both theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience in the dynamic world of Culinary Arts.

COURSE CONTENT

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
- 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 TU Dublin Grangegorman 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 TU Dublin 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

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU942 Culinary Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU643 Culinary Arts (Level 6, 2 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU944 Culinary Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU741 Baking and Pastry Arts Management (Level 7, 3 years)

DKIT: DK650 Culinary Arts (Level 6, 2 years)

TU Dublin 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

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 TU Dublin Grangegorman 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.

Build on existing skills in order to gain advanced entry to degree courses or promotion within the industry

Additional qualification as part of course:

- Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP)

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU942 Culinary Arts (Level 8)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU643 Culinary Arts (Level 6)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU944 Culinary Science (Level 8)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU741 Baking and Pastry Arts Management (Level 7)

DKIT: DK650 Culinary Arts (Level 6)

TU Dublin Tallaght: TU742 Culinary Arts (Level 7)

TUS Athlone: US930 Culinary Entrepreneurship (Level 8)

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

CERTIFICATION

- Level 6 Professional Cookery 6M2099

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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



The staff are very helpful, so don't be afraid to ask!

My experience

Monika Stachowiak

Auctioneering, Valuation and Estate Agency

When choosing Dunboyne College of Future Education, I was guided by the opinions of other students who attended there. I am very happy with my decision, and I also recommend DCFE to everyone.

The teachers and lecturers are professionally prepared, they can convey a treasury of knowledge in a vivid and clear way, so it is easy to assimilate. With such a variety of courses, everyone can find something for themselves.

To anyone for whom English is not their first language, like me, there is a lot of help and support. The staff are very helpful, so don't be afraid to ask!

As an adult who graduated from college over 20 years ago, it was a huge challenge for me to come back, but it was all worth it. I had amazing time through the year and met so many people of different ages. It was an unforgettable experience.

After completing a year at DCFE, my education won't end. I am planning an apprenticeship in the field I graduated from while in college.



DUNBOYNE
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Sports

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

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.

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 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

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

Additional qualification as part of course:

Students can complete coaching courses and obtain coaching badges to further enhance their practice and experience.

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: CK125 Physical Education, Sports Studies & Arts (Level 8, 4 Years)

MTU Tralee: MT911 Health, Sport and Exercise (Level 8, 4 Years) & **UL:** PME Physical Education (2 Years)

MTU Kerry: MT906 Physical Education Studies with Business (Level 8, 4 Years) & **UL:** PME Physical Education (2 Years)

ATU Galway: AU664 Sports Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years & **UL:** PME Physical Education (2 Years)

ATU Donegal: AU320 Sports and Exercise (Level 8, 4 Years) & **UL:** PME Physical Education (2 Years)

Portobello Institute: BA Physical Education (3 Years) & MSc Physical Education (2 Years)

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

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

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU882 Nutraceuticals in Health and Nutrition (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: LC422 Sports Strength and Conditioning (Level 8, 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

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

Sports Management with Business

Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 or Business Studies 5M2102



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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The new Sports Management and Coaching degree course in TU Dublin Blanchardstown will offer graduates a local alternative to advance their studies to honours degree level.

Graduates can also access honours sports programmes in TU Dublin Grangegorman, 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 US.

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 University Limerick 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.

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Completion of the course opens up access to honours sports programmes in universities or can begin the journey to PE teaching via undergraduate degrees in university.

EXAMPLES OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRESSION

TU Dublin 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 (Level 8, 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)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: 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)

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

CERTIFICATION

- Level 5 Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 or
- Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

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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.

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 and Exercise Injury Prevention
- 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 or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Upon successful completion of this course, students can enter the workforce as fitness instructors or personal trainers with teams or as entrepreneurs.

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 (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

TU Dublin 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 Based)
- 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.

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 highly valuable for students and permits them to directly access employment.

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

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

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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 ever-expanding 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
- Skin Care, Eye Treatments and Makeup
- Word Processing
- Manicure, Pedicure and Waxing
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Work Experience
- Beauty Industry, Ethics and Practice
- Customer Service
- 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 TU Dublin Blanchardstown, Technological University of the Shannon, Limerick, Dun Laoghaire, IADT and other Technological Universities around the country.



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 successfully complete ITEC qualifications students must meet ITEC attendance requirements

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

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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 inter-personal 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

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.

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

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

Hairdressing Apprenticeship

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 Stage 2/YEAR 2 Stage 3/YEAR 3

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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.

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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Apply directly at www.dunboynecollege.ie

Advanced Beauty Therapy

Beauty Therapy 6M3479

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:

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

- 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.





**DUNBOYNE
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Animal & Equine

Equine Studies

Advanced Equine Breeding

Advanced Animal Science



Equine Studies

**Horsemanship 5M3371 or Level 5 - Business Studies 5M2102
or Laboratory Techniques 5M3807**



WHAT IS EQUINE STUDIES?

This one-year course will prepare students for the ever-expanding 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.

COURSE CONTENT

The following modules will be offered subject to availability or demand and are subject to change. See next page for specific options for each course.

Core Modules

- Stable & Yard Routine
- Laboratory Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Safety & Health
- Word Processing
- Business Administration
- Marketing Practice
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Maths

Electives

- Stable & Yard Routine
- Maths
- Safety & Health
- Word Processing
- Sport Horse Riding
- Sport Horse Riding Instruction
- Equine Nutrition
- Equine Anatomy & Physiology
- Horse Breeding
- Horse Conformation & Evaluation

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.

Green Cert/Young Trained Farmer Status available.

Holding Level 5 Horsemanship 5M3371 and Advanced Certificate in Equine Breeding 6M3507 (see next page) you may apply to Teagasc to be awarded the Green Cert.

For when you want to start your own business, the benefits of having a Green Cert/Young Trained Farmer Status are:

- Tax exemptions
- Access to various schemes and grants
- Access to TAMS

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)

University of Limerick: LM093 Equine Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

CAFRE College: College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise, Equine Management (3 Years Full-time)

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

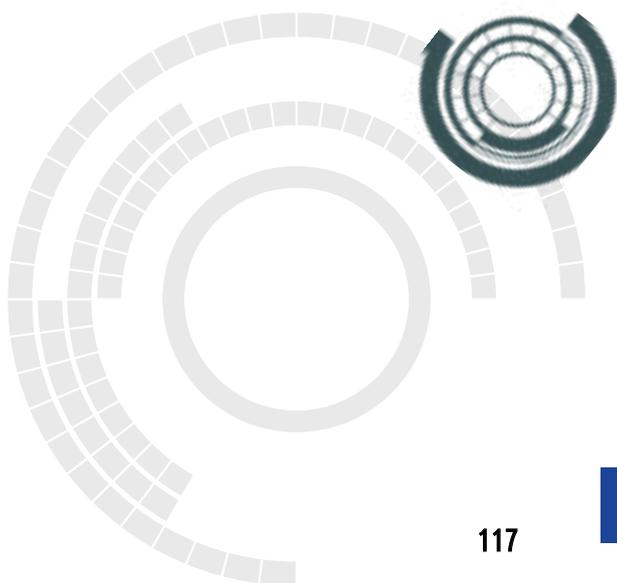
All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

Equine Studies

Horsemanship 5M3371 or Level 5 - Business Studies 5M2102 or Laboratory Techniques 5M3807



Course Content	Horsemanship 5M3371	Equine Business 5M2102	Equine Science 5M3807
Core			
Stable & Yard Routine	■		
Laboratory Skills			■
Communications	■	■	■
Work Experience	■	■	■
Safety & Health		■	■
Word Processing		■	
Business Administration		■	
Marketing Practice		■	
Biology			■
Chemistry			■
Physics			■
Maths			■
Electives			
Stable & Yard Routine		■	■
Maths	■	■	■
Safety & Health	■		
Word Processing	■		■
Sport Horse Riding	■	■	■
Sport Horse Riding Instruction	■	■	■
Equine Nutrition	■	■	■
Equine Anatomy & Physiology	■	■	■
Horse Breeding	■	■	■
Horse Conformation & Evaluation	■	■	■



Advanced Equine Studies

Equine Breeding (6M3507)



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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.

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UCD: DN250 Animal Science-Equine (Level 8, 4 Years)

Maynooth University: MH404 Business and Management (Add on Equine Module) (Level 8, 3 Years)

TUS Athlone: US867 BioVeterinary Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

University of Limerick: LM093 Equine Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

CAFRE College: College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise, Equine Management (3 Years Full-time)

CERTIFICATION

- Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Equine Breeding 6M3507

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous 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.

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. TU Dublin 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 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 6 Animal Science 6M5153

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Relevant Level 5 qualification or;
- Mature Students or;
- Other equivalent qualifications

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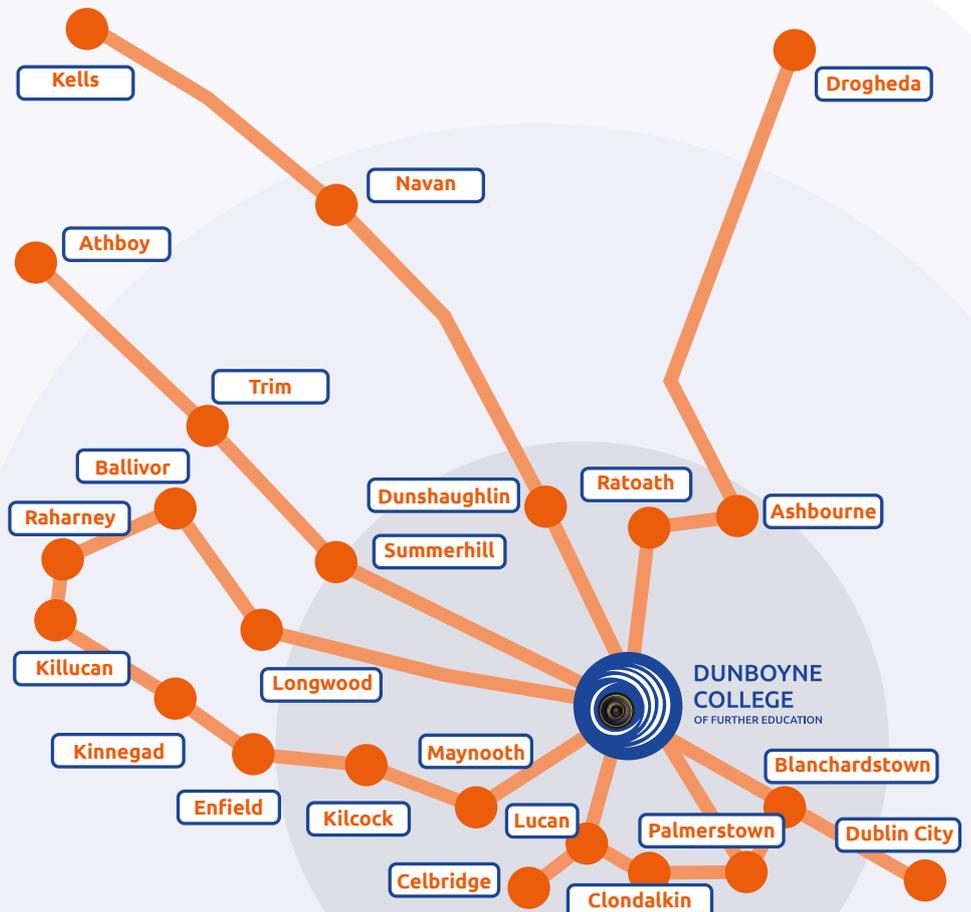
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