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

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



Welcome to Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training (DCFET).

Since 2003, DCFET has proudly served Meath, Dublin, Kildare and the wider Leinster area, offering internationally recognised courses.

We believe that education should be a journey of growth, discovery, and opportunity. Whether you're aiming to progress to university or step confidently into the world of work, the staff at DCFET are committed to helping you achieve your goals in a supportive and inclusive environment.

We offer a wide range of academic and vocationally focused courses designed to meet the needs of today's learners and tomorrow's employers. Course offerings span a wide range of areas and are tailored to equip you with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to succeed in your chosen field.

Our dedicated staff are passionate about teaching and supporting every student. With smaller class sizes, personalised guidance and supports, and a strong focus on well-being, we create a learning environment where every individual is valued and encouraged to thrive.

Our courses are developed in consultation with employers and universities to ensure relevance to

student needs and industry requirements. The links with universities and industry ensure that you gain both practical experience and real-world insight necessary to succeed.

We clearly demonstrate our "Begin Here, Go Anywhere" approach by equipping every student with the skills, confidence, and support they need to succeed—wherever their journey takes them. We're proud of the achievements of our students — many of whom go on to degree programmes, apprenticeships or secure employment.

Whether you're a school leaver exploring your next step or an adult learner returning to education, a course at DCFET offers you the tools, support, and inspiration to help you move forward.

We look forward to welcoming you to the DCFET community in 2026.



Catherine Fox Principal



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Why study at Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training?





Location and University Links

Well located near Meath, Dublin, and Kildare. Strong links to top Irish and UK universities: Maynooth University, UCD and TUD.



Career-Focused Courses

Courses are industryinformed, regularly updated, and lead to recognised, career-boosting qualifications.



High Student Success

Over 90% of graduates with a full award progress to Level 7 or 8 degree programmes.



Expert and Supportive Staff

Qualified staff are dedicated to student success and welfare, providing academic and personal support.



Support for All Learners

Inclusive services for students with disabilities, mature students, and those needing learning support.



Personalised Learning Environment

Friendly atmosphere with small class sizes for a unique, engaging experience.



Nurturing Student Services

Access to career guidance, personal counselling, and help with education progression.



Financial Assistance

Grants available, including Back to Education Scheme for those on social welfare.



UK Nursing Opportunities

Pathways to nursing degrees through partner universities in the UK.

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90% of DCFET applicants to the CAO receive an offer based on their QQI results¹

Level 8 offers to DCFET graduates

Level 7 offers to DCFET graduates

Most students received both a Level 7 and Level 8 offer

¹CAO progression statistics most up to date at time of publication



What local Universtities have to say





We value our established partnership with Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training, welcoming many well-prepared graduates to Maynooth University each year.

As we expand our programme offerings, we're committed to developing additional progression pathways with DCFET colleagues, making the transition smoother and more advantageous. At Maynooth University, we foster an inclusive environment where students flourish personally and intellectually, developing as individuals, citizens and independent thinkers.

Prof. Eeva LeinonenPresident, Maynooth University





TU Dublin awards over 20% of its offers to FE qualification holders annually through CAO, with Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training being our largest FE feeder institution.

We are pleased to welcome numerous Dunboyne College students who, having benefited from exceptional support and guidance during their QQI Level 5 studies, confidently choose TU Dublin as their Higher Education pathway, well-prepared for university studies or entry into the workforce.

Dr. Mary Meaney

Registrar and Deputy President. TU Dublin





DCU welcomes DCFET graduates across various programmes annually, watching them excel in their degrees before advancing to careers or further studies.

Beginning at Dunboyne offers an excellent pathway to DCU, and we look forward to strengthening this partnership to facilitate more successful transitions.

Prof. Dáire Keogh President, DCU





Dundalk Institute of Technology, a dynamic and ambitious institution reflecting its surroundings, has earned international recognition for teaching excellence, research and innovation.

We've welcomed Dunboyne College students for many years and now seek to expand connections across all programmes, including potential advanced entry for Level 6 Dunboyne graduates. Notably, 97% of our graduates secure employment or continue education within six months of completion.

Dr. Diarmuid O'Callaghan

President, Dundalk Institute of Technology



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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.



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 everchanging environment. Our goal of a purpose-built campus will be realised in the coming years, allowing us to deliver the full possibilities and potential of the FET College of the Future.



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



DCFET 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.



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.

Applying to Dunboyne College FET

1. Apply online

Visit our website dunboynecollege.ie and click on the Apply Now button or scan the QR code below.



2.

Send Us Requested Documentation

Once we receive your application we will email you requesting:

- Photograph
- Academic Results
- Personal Statement

Some additional requirements may apply depending on your course choice. A small number of courses require an interview.

3. Accept Offer and Register

If you receive an offer ensure to confirm it by the deadline.

Fees

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

Application Process

- **1.** Apply online at dunboynecollege.ie from November 2025 to September 2026.
- 2. After registering, applicants receive email confirmation and can log in to track their application.
- 3. Applicants will be asked to upload:
 - Most recent school report or exam results
 - A 100-word personal statement: "Why this course is right for me"
 - A photograph
- 4. Interviews may be required for some courses.
- 5. Late applications accepted for vacant places.
- **6.** Grants can be applied for at susi.ie.
- **7.** All applicants must be 17 years by December 31st of year of entry.

Special Application Process

- Early Learning and Care courses (formerly Childcare) have a separate process.
- Some courses may have extra requirements (e.g., auditions) – check specific course details.
- Hairdressing and Accounting Technician Apprenticeships use a different application system – see course info for details.

All applications will be processed in line with Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training Admissions Policy.

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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 email the office by 25th September 2026.
- Due to high demand, interviews may be required for some courses. Early application is advised. Once an offer is
- made, applicants must accept or decline by the specified deadline. Missed deadlines will result in the offer lapsing.
- All courses are considered full-time, even if direct tuition occurs only 3-4 days per week. One day is typically allocated for work experience, unless block placement applies. Remaining
- days are expected to be used for study, assignments, or work experience.
- Official registration letters will confirm full-time status. Timetables are issued in September and may change.
- Information is correct at the time of printing but may be subject to change.
 Errors and omissions excepted.



Course Structure

To get a full **QQI** award (120 credits), you usually need to pass at least 8 modules.

Each module is worth a different number of credits, and your course will include core (mandatory) modules based on the award you're working towards.

To make sure you reach the 120 credits needed, you'll also have non-core modules on your timetable. These are just as important as the core ones and should be treated as mandatory for getting the full award.

Keep in mind:

- Non-core modules may change depending on demand, availability, and QQI rules.
- You must complete Communications and Work Experience to earn the full award.
- Before changing any modules, it's very important to speak with Career Guidance—especially if you're planning to go through the CAO to progress to higher education.

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

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

Distinction	80-100%
Merit	65–79%
Pass	50-64%
Unsuccessful	0-49%

Briefs

Briefs (explanatory documents) will be given to students by the teachers for all assessments.

There are six possible assessment techniques:

- Collection of Work
- Student Record
- Examination
- Assignment
- Project
- Skills Demonstration

Progression Pathways

Higher Education Links Scheme

The Higher Education Links Scheme allows students with a full QQI Level 5 or 6 award from Dunboyne College to apply for a wide range of third-level courses across over 40 higher education institutions in Ireland. These include Level 6, 7, and 8 programmes on the National Framework of Qualifications.

Students apply through the CAO by 1st February. QQI results are sent to the CAO in July, and applicants are scored on their best eight modules. Entry requirements must be met, and quotas may apply for 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 must register with a SOLASapproved employer under the National Apprenticeship Scheme. Apprentices divide their time between on-the-job training and college-based learning, and are paid by their employer throughout the apprenticeship.

Employment

Around 40% of our students go straight into employment after completing their course. Dunboyne College has strong links with local and national employers through work experience and Skills to Advance programmes.

We regularly meet with major employers to stay up to date on job market needs and develop new courses accordingly. Many employers now advertise vacancies directly with the college, which are shared with students via Moodle or the Work Experience Teacher. All students are prepared for the workplace through the Communications and Work Experience modules.



School Events and 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 and Training'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!



Student Facilities



Administration Office

The college administration office is open between 8:30am 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, 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.

College Communications 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. Feedback, results and grades for each assignment are available for students to view through Moodle.



Email

Students attending DCFET 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.

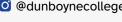


Social Media

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Work Experience

The Work Experience module is mandatory—you must pass both the assignments and a relevant work placement to receive your full QQI award.

The placement should relate to your course, and it is your responsibility to arrange it. Start looking as early as possible, and consult your Work Experience teacher before confirming any placement. You must notify them of your placement details, or your hours may not count.

Placements usually happen on non-class days, though some courses require block placements.

Opportunities may be shared via Moodle or employer visits to the college.

If your placement involves working with children, vulnerable adults, or clinical settings (e.g. Nursing, Healthcare Assistant, Childcare, Youthwork, Applied Social Studies, Sports, or Pre-Arts), Garda Vetting is required. This must be completed on time. Additional requirements apply for clinical and Early Learning and Care placements, and your teacher will provide details at the start of your course.

Services to Employers

Dunboyne College works closely with employers in the following areas.

<u>sta.dbc@lmetb.ie</u>





Employer work placement for current students.



Supporting employers in the provision of part-time upskilling courses funded by Skills to Advance.



Supporting students via employer funded scholarships.



Employer talks to current students.



Recruitment of graduates for full-time and part-time positions.



Development of nationally accredited courses.

Support Services









Learning Hub

The Learning Hub offers a wide range of services designed to help all of our students thrive in their studies.

We are dedicated to empowering students by helping them build effective study skills and reach their full potential. We endeavour to provide support for those with additional educational, physical, or medical needs outside of class contact hours. The Learning Hub offers a wide range of resources designed to support students in managing their studies.

Who is it for?

Students with diagnosed learning difficulty/ medical condition or disability

The Learning Hub focuses particularly on students who have been diagnosed with a learning difficulty, medical condition, or disability. If you have been formally assessed by an Educational Psychologist, Consultant, Occupational Therapist, Neurologist, or Specialist Registrar, we ask that you share this information at the application stage so we can work with you to identify the necessary accommodations and resources.



Community Services Dog - Ulreeka

Ulreeka is a 6-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 Supports







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.

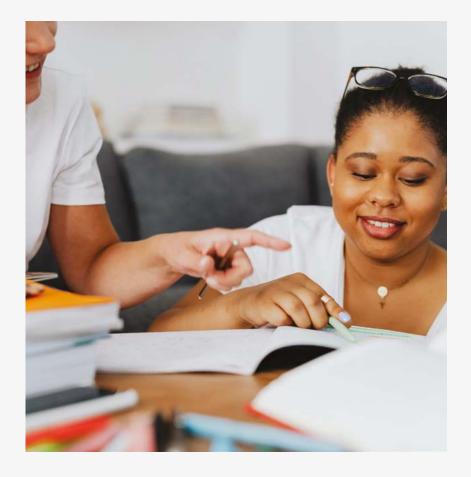
Whether they need a moment of tranquillity between classes or a quiet space to destress during exams, the Sensory Room provides a therapeutic oasis where students can find solace and regain their equilibrium.

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.

The Sensory Garden aims to provide a peaceful, nature-based space where students can unwind, reflect, and re-centre. Designed to engage the senses through plants, textures, and calming features, it offers a quiet outdoor retreat that supports emotional well-being and encourages mindfulness.



Educational Supports

Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training is committed to providing the best possible learning environment in relation to students with special educational needs.

Dunboyne College welcomes applications from students with additional needs and makes provision, wherever possible, to facilitate access and participation in the academic courses and student life.

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

All enquiries to Catherine Joyce via email: learninghub.dbc@lmetb.ie

Academic Support

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

- Reading an assignment brief
- Using Moodle, Outlook,
 Office365 and OneDrive to
 assist in your studies
- Research and referencing in your assignments

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 <u>learninghub.dbc@lmetb.ie</u> for further information on this service.

- Academic writing
- Time management and organisational skills
- Exam study and revision skills

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, Meabh Nimmo and Aoife O'Dwyer. Meabh, Derek and Aoife 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

Our Guidance Department team will be available throughout the year. Students may make an appointment through the Dunboyne College website or MyDCFE.ie, or avail of the drop-in service. They can obtain advice and practical guidance on planning their career progression to further study or employment. Central Applications Office

- HEAR and DARE
- Mature Applications
- Career Research

(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 and ethical guidelines.

Appointments can be made through the website, a mentor or directly with Meabh, Derek or Aoife 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.

- A dedicated mature student room where mature students can meet with fellow mature students.
- Tea and coffee making facilities are available in the Mature Student room daily.
- Academic support tailored to ensuring the smooth transition to Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training.
- Special mature student

- coffee mornings.
- Guest speakers from past mature learners.
- Career guidance talks tailored to mature links.
- Workshops in exam study, time management, presentation skills, IT skills, referencing and research techniques, etc.
- Basic computer skills workshops.

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 2026/2027 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).

In accordance with SUSI Grant guidelines and the policies of Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training, learners in receipt of a SUSI grant are required to maintain a minimum attendance rate of 80% per month in order to remain eligible for payment.

Please check with the following web address for the final dates for grant applications. All information can be found on studentfinance.ie or on susi.ie

For further information email: studentservices.dbc@lmetb.ie

Scan our QR code for information on the SUSI grant.

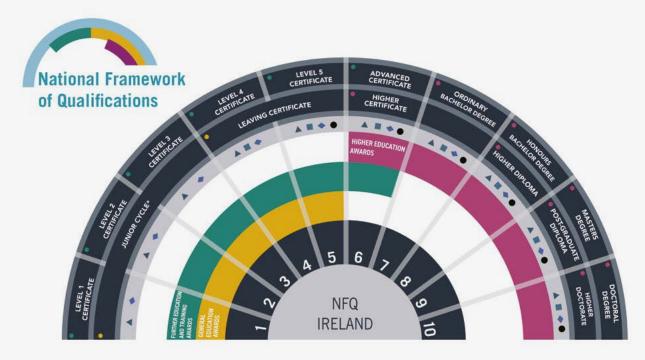
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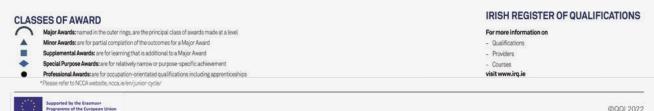


English Language Proficiency

Students who do not have English as a first language may be asked to take a proficiency test.

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 NFQ 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 NFQ.

The NFQ 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 1 to 6.

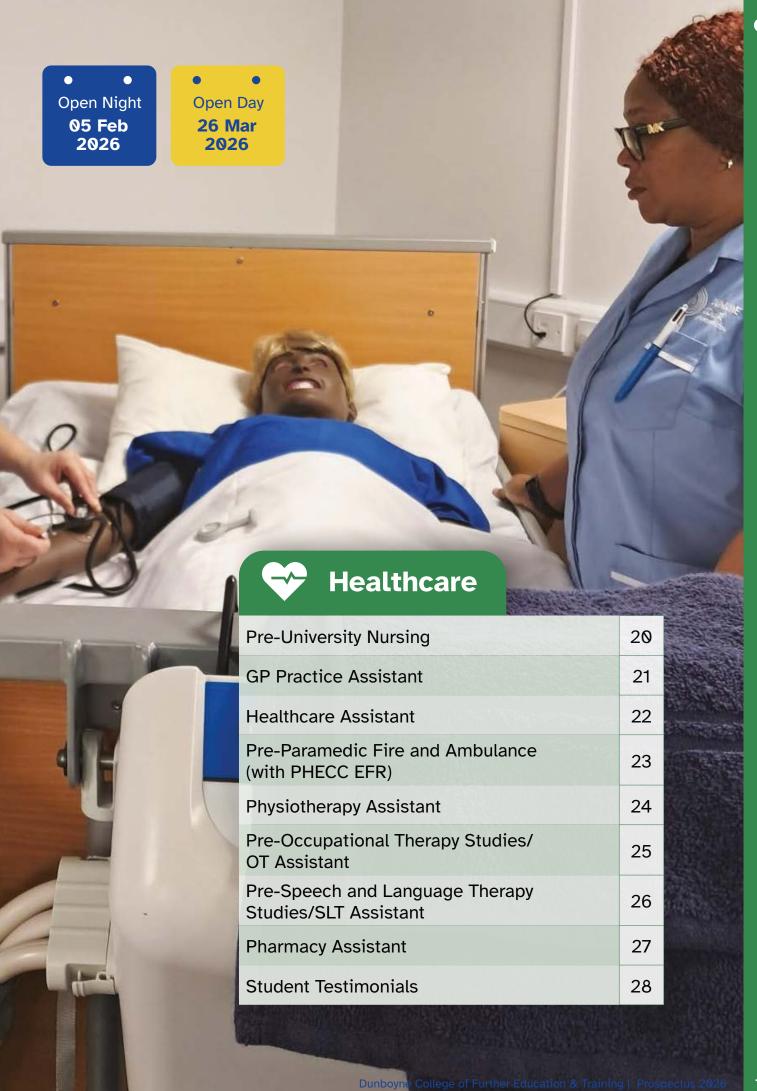
QQI provides details of the ten levels on the National Framework of Qualifications at nfq.ie.

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









This one-year course prepares students for roles in hospitals, respite care, social and community services, or residential settings. It develops essential communication, social, and caring skills, supported by practical work experience. Ideal for school leavers and mature applicants, the course provides both academic and hands-on foundations for entry into nurse training.

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

Potential Options

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to nursing degrees in areas such as General, Psychiatric, Mental Health, or Children's Nursing at universities across Ireland. They may also seek immediate employment in hospitals, community care, or healthcare settings. The expanded QQI links programme offers access to nursing courses in institutions like DCU, UCD, Trinity, TU Dublin, SETU Carlow/Waterford, Maynooth University, TUS Athlone, MTU Tralee, DkIT, ATU

(GMIT/St. Angela's/Letterkenny), NUIG, UL, and UCC. This qualification also supports entry to Social Care/Social Studies degrees. Additionally, students can apply for nursing programmes in Northern Ireland (Ulster University) and the UK, including the University of West London, Edge Hill, Southampton, Staffordshire, Liverpool, Wrexham, Bath, South Bank, Edinburgh, and Bangor, where strong links exist.

Higher Education Pathways

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

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

Pre-university nursing graduates can apply directly to Ulster University (NHS-funded) and other UK nursing degree programmes.

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





About this Course

This course equips learners to support GPs by assisting practice nurses and practice staff. As GP Practice Assistants, you'll record vital signs and weight,

sterilise equipment, restock consultation rooms, handle administrative tasks and liaise with patients and the public.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Care Support
- Care Skills
- Care of the Older Person
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Activities of Daily Living
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience

Career Opportunities

Graduates may enter the workforce directly or progress to nursing degrees in General, Psychiatric, Mental Health, or Children's Nursing at universities across Ireland. The expanded QQI Links Programme provides access to a wide range of nursing courses in institutions such as DCU, UCD, Trinity, TU Dublin (including Blanchardstown), SETU Carlow/Waterford, Maynooth University, TUS Athlone, MTU Tralee, DkIT, ATU (GMIT, St. Angela's, Letterkenny), NUIG, UL, and

UCC. The qualification also supports entry into Social Care and Social Studies programmes. Graduates may explore further opportunities through strong links with nursing degree programmes in Northern Ireland (Ulster University) and in the UK, including the University of West London, Edge Hill, Southampton, Staffordshire, Liverpool, Wrexham, Bath, South Bank, Edinburgh, and Bangor.

Higher Education Pathways

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

Children and General Nursing: DCU, Trinity, UCC, UCD

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

Intellectual Disability

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

Midwifery: UL, Trinity, DKIT, UCC, UCG, UCD

Pre-university nursing graduates can apply directly to Ulster University (NHS-funded) and other UK nursing degree programmes.



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course prepares students to work in hospitals, respite care, social care, community, or residential settings. It focuses on developing the social, communication, and caring skills essential for healthcare

roles and includes practical work experience. Suitable for school leavers and mature learners, the course builds the human skills needed for a career in healthcare.

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 can progress to Level 8 honours degree courses in various Irish colleges, including TU Dublin, DCU, University of Limerick, UCD, UCC, TCD, and other institutions offering Applied Social Studies. They may also pursue Level 7 ordinary degrees in related fields across many ITs. Alternatively,

graduates can seek employment in hospitals, community care, nursing homes, and healthcare settings. The qualification also provides access to Social Care/Social Studies third-level courses and may support applications to degree programmes in the UK.

Employment Progression

Graduates of this course are in high demand with employers

Higher Education Pathways

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





About this Course

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 and Practice
- Teamworking
- Person Centred
 Focus to Disability
- Work Experience
- Infection Prevention and Control

Career Opportunities

This course provides a solid foundation in the paramedic field, allowing students to progress to EMT training or a Paramedic Degree at the University of Limerick. SETU Carlow also offers a Level 8 Bachelor of Business in Emergency Services Management. Students may pursue Paramedic Science degrees in the

UK or seek employment with the HSE National Ambulance Service, Dublin Fire Brigade, or Dublin Airport Authority. The course also supports entry into a range of health and non-health-related Level 7 and 8 degrees in universities and private colleges across Ireland.

Employment Progression

Private ambulance companies provide opportunities for employment.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

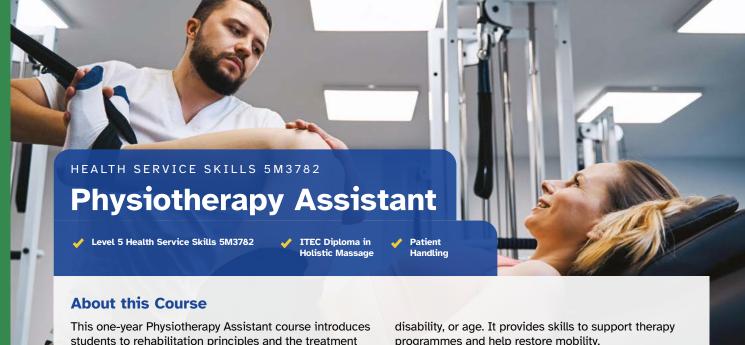
Fire Brigade: Apply for training roles within Fire Brigade service (Dublin City Council – Dublin Fire Brigade)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





students to rehabilitation principles and the treatment of clients with limited mobility due to illness, injury,

programmes and help restore mobility.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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 allows graduates to progress to a Level 6 award and then apply for the Level 8 Physiotherapy degree at the Royal College of Surgeons. Students can also pursue a sports or science-related Level 8 degree and progress to Level 9 Physiotherapy at UCD. There are multiple pathways to study physiotherapy in the UK, as well as opportunities to apply for other Level 7 and 8 degrees in Irish universities, ITs, and private colleges. The The Phsyiotherapy Assistant course also provides a strong foundation for direct employment.

Employment Progression

Graduates can progress to related undergraduate degrees in Ireland, such as Sports Rehabilitation or Athletic Therapy, and later apply for Physiotherapy Master's programmes at UCD, UCC, UL, Portobello Institute, or UK universities. They may also apply directly to undergraduate Physiotherapy degrees at Ulster University and select UK institutions.

Higher Education Pathways

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

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

Other Progression Options:

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

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

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.

AU374 Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4

AU374 Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4 Years)(Mature Application Only)

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





About this Course

This one-year course is for students aiming for a career in occupational therapy. It covers rehabilitation, the use of daily activities in treatment, and the impact of impaired mobility on everyday function.

Students gain insight into therapeutic programme development and the role of occupational therapy in healthcare, along with HSE-relevant skills to support clients in improving 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

Graduates can progress to sports or science-related Level 8 degrees and then to Level 9 Occupational Therapy at the University of Limerick. There are also many UK progression options. Students may apply for other Level 7 and 8 degrees at universities, ITs, or private colleges in Ireland.

Mature students can apply directly to Occupational Therapy at Trinity, UCC, and NUI Galway. Graduates may also find employment as Occupational Therapy Assistants in the HSE or private sector with a QQI Level 5 qualification.

Employment Progression

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.

Higher Education Pathways

Graduates can progress to related degrees in Ireland—such as Sports Rehabilitation or Athletic Therapy and later apply for Occupational Therapy Master's programmes at UCD, UL, UCC, Ulster University, or other UK institutions.

Mature applicants can apply directly to Level 8, 4-year Occupational Therapy degrees:

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

Therapy degree programmes in Ireland or the UK.

Other Progression Options:

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

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

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

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

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Equivalent qualifications

Mature applicants



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This one-year Pre-Speech and Language Therapy course is for students interested in a career in speech and language therapy. It provides an understanding of communication styles and the role of therapists in assessing, diagnosing, and treating communication difficulties.

Students will explore therapy in settings such as health centres, hospitals, and schools, and learn how therapists support those with speech, communication, eating, or swallowing challenges. The course also includes insight into clinical practice, patient care, and HSE-relevant skills for supporting therapy programmes.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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
- Psychology

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to related Level 8 degrees and then to Level 9 Speech and Language Therapy programmes, such as at UL. There are also many UK study options. Students may apply for other related Level 7 and 8 degrees in Irish universities, ITs, or private colleges.

Mature students can apply directly to Speech and Language Therapy degrees in all universities. This qualification also supports employment as a Speech and Language Therapy Assistant with the HSE or further study in childcare, social care, or healthcare.

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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, Portobello Institute or in the UK. Graduates are eligible to apply directly for Speech and Language degrees at Ulster University and certain other UK Universities.

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

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

Other Progression Options:

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

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

DCU: DC009 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years, DC209 Health and Society (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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





About this Course

This one-year course prepares students to work as pharmacy counter assistants or progress to a pharmacy technician qualification. It covers key skills such as dispensing over-the-counter medications, advising on medical aids, and selling health products.

Students also study health-related topics relevant to pharmacy roles and gain practical experience in a retail pharmacy, working alongside healthcare professionals to support customer health outcomes.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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 can work in community pharmacies, health stores, or progress to a part-time Year 2 Pharmacy Technician course. The programme suits those aiming for a career in pharmacy or related health fields.

Students may also progress to Higher Education Institutions through the QQI Higher Education Links Scheme, including DCU, UCD, Maynooth University, TU Dublin, DkIT, UL, TUS Athlone, UCC, NUIG, SETU Carlow, Marino Institute, IADT, ATU (St. Angela's, Letterkenny, GMIT), and MTU Tralee. Progression options include Pharmacy Technician, health, or arts courses.

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



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Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Niamh O'Donovan Hamilton

COURSE

Pre-Speech and Language Therapy Studies/SLT Assistant

Looking back on the course, I found it useful as I am interested in pursuing further education in Speech and Language Therapy. The modules that I found the most interesting were Speech and Language Therapy Theory and Practice.

I believe that the fact these were taught

by someone with experience working in Speech and Language Therapy was a huge asset to my learning. The material that I found the most interesting was the voice and message banking as well as the child development and average milestones in relation to speech and language.

"The Learning Hub gave me helpful tips before assessments where I had to talk to large groups.
I found everyone who I encountered there compassionate and seemed to genuinely want to help."

I found that the course was holistic with the different outings and guest speakers that we got to experience. I especially found the visit to the Equine Therapy centre interesting and gave me a new perspective on the challenges that some potential clients face. I found the Lámh training useful as it gave us a skill that could be used in the course and further progress towards working in Speech and Language Therapy



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as well as in everyday life as I am now able to communicate with people with additional needs in new ways that they might be more

comfortable with.

The Learning Hub gave me helpful tips before assessments where I had to talk to large groups. I found everyone who I encountered there compassionate and seemed to genuinely want to help. The guidance councillors were a great help when I was filling in the UCAS application especially when compiling my personal statement, they also gave

useful tips when preparing for entry exams.

Overall, everyone who I met who works at Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training was always ready to help the students whatever way they could, whether that be to explain an assignment brief or just listen when I needed someone to talk to. My experiences this year have been both positive and useful for preparing for whatever I do next.

Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Chloe Sutton

COURSE

Pre Paramedic Fire and Ambulance

I am delighted to share my experience with my time in Dunboyne College. I went into Dunboyne College with very little confidence in my self and my future as a paramedic, all I knew was that this is the only job I wanted to do. I tried other pre paramedic courses and they didn't work out for me,

for one reason and that was the support I got.

The immense support and dedication from the staff at Dunboyne college is unmatched. They helped me navigate my way through this year. They were there for me when I didn't feel worthy enough for the job.

I remember a sentence I was told at the start of the year when I was struggling to understand some of the work and I still think about it every day, "I can teach you everything you need to know about paramedics but what I can't do is to teach



Chloe

you to care". The connections we got from this course will last a lifetime.

This course is a

you consider taking this

massive stepping stone "This course is a massive for anyone looking to pursue paramedics stepping stone for or firefighting, we anyone looking to purse were told absolutely everything there is paramedics or firefighting, to know about these we were told absolutely careers, so even if you everything there is to know got 625 points in your Leaving Cert I would about these careers." still strongly suggest

> course as nothing could prepare you more for what your future in emergency services will look like.

You need to be taught by the best to be the best and that's why I took this Pre Paramedic Fire and Ambulance course at Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training.



Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Jelena Bolaka

COURSE

Health Care Assistant

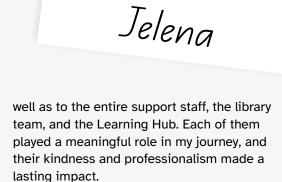
When I started my course in Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training, it all felt quite overwhelming, and there were moments when I truly believed I wouldn't make it. I often thought it would be easier to just walk away.

As time went on my English improved, I made meaningful friendships, and I began to grow — not only as a future healthcare assistant, but as a person.

My placement experience was a turning point. It showed me that I'm much more capable and resilient than I ever imagined.

One of the most valuable things I discovered at Dunboyne College was that it's not just about what you learn, but how you're taught. The teachers there don't just pass on knowledge — they truly inspire, support, and encourage you every step of the way. They see your potential, often before you do, and help bring it to life.

I'm deeply grateful to my teachers for their continuous support and understanding, as



Looking back, I can confidently say that Dunboyne College gave me much more

than just an education. It gave me confidence. It helped me grow. And most importantly, it helped me believe in myself. To anyone considering taking this step, especially if you feel scared or unsure, my advice is to take the leap. This is a chance to change your life. You don't have to be perfect to

begin — you just have to start. Trust yourself and allow the people around you to help you grow. You're stronger than you think. If I could do it, so can you.







Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Jovita Kalpokiene Serdych

COURSE

Health Care Assistant

I'm a mum of six, originally from Lithuania. Back home, I had a diploma in Hotel Management, but when I moved to Ireland in 2005, my life changed completely.

My English wasn't strong, my qualifications weren't recognised, and I felt too shy to

speak. I worked hard, raised my children, and pushed my dreams to the side.

But deep in my heart, I never gave up. I always knew I was meant to help people.

One day, a neighbor told me about Dunboyne College and encouraged me to apply as a mature student. I was nervous,

scared, and full of doubt. I started the QQI Level 5 Healthcare Assistant course with no confidence—but everything changed because of the people around me.

My amazing tutor and mentor, Kathleen, saw something in me that I couldn't see in myself. Her support, kindness, and belief in me melted my heart. She is the best teacher I have ever had. My classmates became my second family. Together, we laughed, cried, and lifted each other up every step of the way.



Jovita

"This course didn't just teach me skills, it taught me to care with dignity, with patience, with compassion. It taught me how to start again, and to open the door to a new life."

And now, I am so, so proud and happy to say: I finished my course! I did it—with the support of my friends, my neighbours, my teachers, and the class that became like one big family.

This course didn't just teach me skills, it taught me to care with dignity, with patience, with compassion. It taught me

how to start again, and to open the door to a new life.

To anyone reading this: don't be afraid to change. Don't let fear stop you from becoming who you're meant to be. Being a healthcare assistant is more than a job—it's a calling. And one day, you may be the reason someone feels seen, heard, and never forgotten.

Never close the door to your future. It's never too late to start something beautiful.













APPLIED SOCIAL STUDIES 5M2181

Social Studies with Psychology/Social Care

✓ Level 5 Applied Social Studies 5M2181



This one-year course prepares students for social care, community development, or residential roles. It allows students to develop key social and communication skills. It includes practical experience and serves as training

for social and healthcare sectors.

The course also provides a pathway to certificate or degree programmes in Technological Universities and is ideal for school leavers and mature learners.

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:

Core Modules

- 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 can pursue certificate or degree courses at many universities nationwide or seek immediate employment in community care, health care, or community development.

The expanded QQI links programme offers numerous Social Studies and Community Care pathways, including places at Maynooth University, UCD, DCU, TU Dublin, NUIG, DkIT, UL, TUS, ATU, MTU, UCC, and others.



Higher Education Pathways

Trinity College Dublin: TR084 Social Studies (Social Work) (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

Griffith College: GC409 Psychology Level 8, 3 Years)

DBS: DB562 Psychology Level 8, 3 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course is for those interested in a career in the youth and community sector. It's ideal for anyone who enjoys working with young people in various community settings. The course explores current challenges faced by youth, including substance misuse, unemployment, homelessness, and the impact of social media.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Understanding
 Youthwork
- Working with Young People
- Young People and Society
- Exercise and 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.



Higher Education Pathways

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)

Trinity College Dublin: TR084 Social Studies (Social Work) (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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications







people-focused careers in social research, healthcare, community support, youth work, and roles such as

and mature students seeking a qualification in this field.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to thirdlevel courses at institutions such as Maynooth University, UCC, UL, NUI Galway, TU Dublin, SETU, ATU, IADT, DBS, and others. Options include PSI-accredited psychology degrees and related fields like Arts. Social Studies, Education, Health,

Business, and Sports Rehabilitation. The course also prepares students for careers in education, counselling, research, social services, advertising, healthcare, and community development, or for direct entry into roles in community care and support services.

Progression Support

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

Higher Education Pathways

DCU: DC208 Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Maynooth University: MH504 Criminology (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)

Griffith College: GC409 Psychology Level 8, 3 Years)

DBS: DB562 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)

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 and Psychotherapy

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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:

Core Modules

- 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 progress to degree courses such as Applied Psychology, Psychological Studies, or Psychology and Criminology at institutions like Maynooth University, IADT, NCI, and UCC. Options also include the Level 8 QQI award in DNA and Forensic Analysis at TU Dublin Tallaght or

Applied Social Care at TU Dublin Grangegorman. Further progression is available to a wide range of Level 7 and 8 degrees across Ireland and the UK. Career paths include roles in research, social care, the legal system, and psychology-related fields. Alternatively, students may enter the workforce directly.

Progression Support

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

Higher Education Pathways

DCU: DC208 Psychology (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

Maynooth University: MH504 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 **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

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)

Griffith College: GC409 Psychology Level 8, 3 Years)

Griffith College: GC403 Law Level 8, 3 Years)

DBS: DB562 Psychology Level 8, 3 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Auguste Bambalaite

COURSE

Applied Psychology with Criminology

Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training gives you an opportunity to try out the subject before university and to go further with your academic career or go straight to employment.

Dunboyne is a very special place with very special staff. They are always positive, willing to help, and passionate about the topics they are teaching. They truly wish the best for you and will always make time for your questions and to help you with anything you need. There are

many supports available in the college.

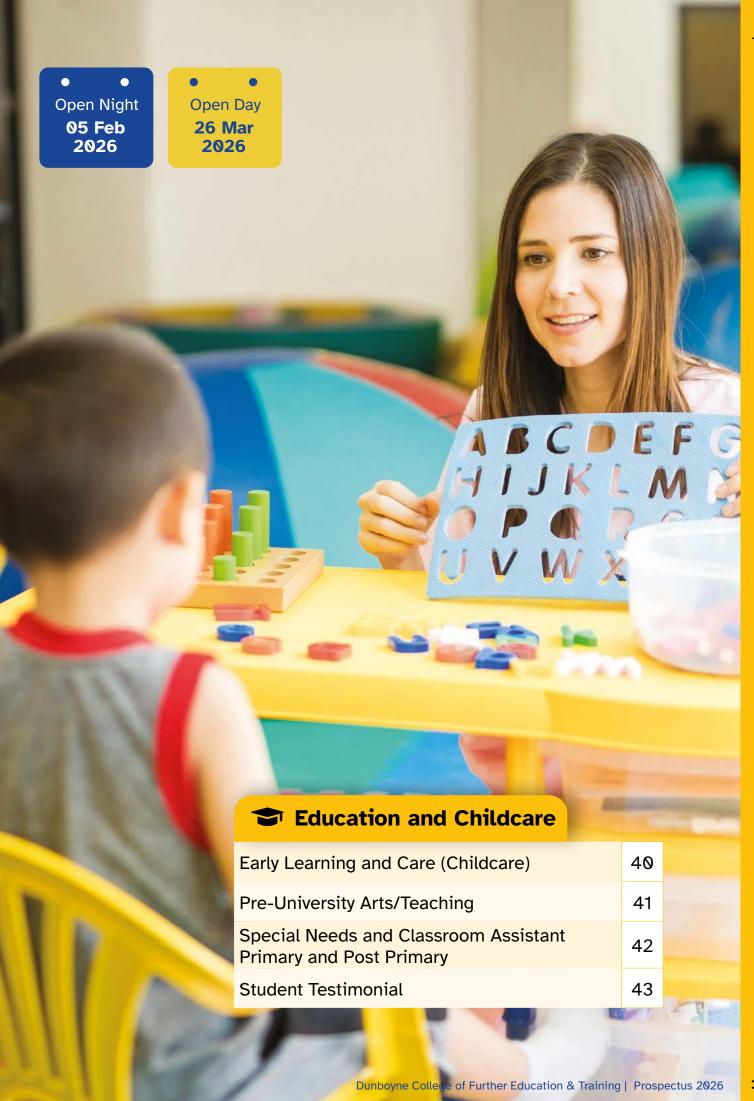
"Dunboyne is a very special place with very special staff. They are always positive, willing to help, and passionate about the topics they are teaching."

There is a huge misconception that a PLC is easy. It takes dedication, ambition and a lot of studying to achieve the results you want. It also gives students a great opportunity to figure out what they enjoy learning about and what they wish to do in the future. I am so grateful that I got the

chance to study what I love in a comforting and motivating environment.









This two-year course prepares students for careers in childcare, crèche management, or as Special Needs Assistants. It combines practical experience with the development of key social and communication skills.

Graduates can enter the workforce or progress to further study in Ireland or the UK. Suitable for school leavers and mature students.

Course Content

The course combines theory in childcare and special needs assisting with practical experience. Modules offered may vary based on availability and demand.

Core Modules

Level 5 - Year 1

- Professional Practice Placement
- Children with Additional Needs
- Children's Rights and Legislation
 Level 6 Year 2
- Advanced Practice Placement
- Sociology and Social Policy
- Child Development and Holistic Care (0-6 years)
- Curriculum, Play and Pedagogy
- Inclusive and Creative Early Learning
- Supporting Children with Additional Needs
- Supervision and Administration

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to Level 7/8 Early Childhood degrees at Maynooth University, DCU, UL, UCC, Marino Institute, TU Dublin (Blanchardstown), and SETU Carlow. Many UK universities also offer entry to Year 3. Alternatively, students may enter employment in childcare centres, classrooms, or community

settings.

Graduates may also access 175 places in First Arts at Maynooth University or progress to Social Care, Social Studies, or Primary Teaching degrees. **Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available.**

Higher Education Pathways

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

Advanced entry to year 2 with QQI Level

6 qualification

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU995 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 3 Years)

DCU: DC001 Early Childhood Education (Level 8, 4 Years) Advanced entry to Year 2 with QQI Level 6 Qualification.

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.

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate

Applied

- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications

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.





Pre-University Arts/Teaching

✓ Level 5 Education and Training 5M3635

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General Studies 5M3114



Education and Training students at Dunboyne College benefit from strong ties with Maynooth University, including shared academic and student supports.

This one-year course prepares students for entry into

Arts degrees and careers in primary or post-primary teaching. It also provides a foundation for further study in education and training or entry into related employment.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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

QQI graduates in Education and Training have access to over 175 places in First Arts at Maynooth University, 30 in UCD, and many others at DCU, UCC, and across Irish universities. They may also progress to the BSc in Education and Training at DCU or pursue careers in education, training, European administration, or

business. Students can apply through the QQI Links Scheme for courses including Education Studies and Early Childhood Studies at Marino, Post-Primary Teaching at DCU, and Arts degrees at DCU, Maynooth University, and UCD.

Higher Education Pathways

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

UCD: DN760 Education (Education and Modern Languages) (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)

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

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

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

DCU: DC016 Home Economics and Technology Teaching (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)*

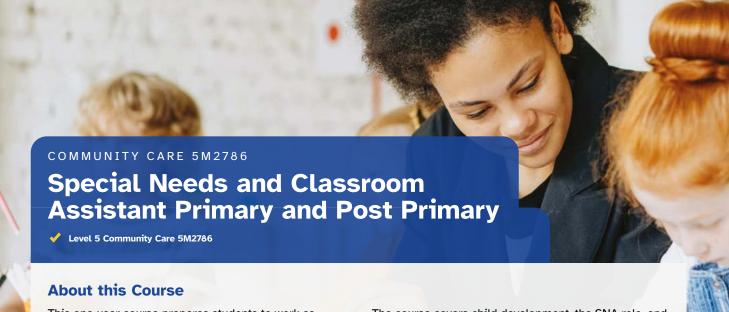


Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.





This one-year course prepares students to work as Special Needs Assistants (SNAs) in primary, secondary, and specialist schools. Students will gain the skills to support children with special needs, promote equal opportunities, and work safely and professionally.

The course covers child development, the SNA role, and effective communication with families, colleagues, and professionals. Suitable for school leavers and mature students seeking a formal qualification.

Course Content

The following modules will be offered subject to availability and demand.

Core Modules

- 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.

Higher Education Pathways

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

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Abi Murphy Clampett

COURSE

Pre-University Teaching

My time in Dunboyne was a short yet amazing experience I will never forget. From the beginning I felt like I belonged. I was made to feel comfortable by both my educators and peers. I went in not knowing anyone and I have now made lifelong friends.

"This college felt like

a place where you

can escape, yet it's

a place where your

educational journey

feels successful. I now

feel confident to start

my university journey."

Dunboyne College have some of the best teachers I have had in my whole educational journey. I didn't feel overwhelmed or pressurised when working for them.

At the beginning I couldn't wait to finish my journey,

now I don't want it to end. This college felt like a place where you can escape, yet it's a place where your educational journey feels Abi

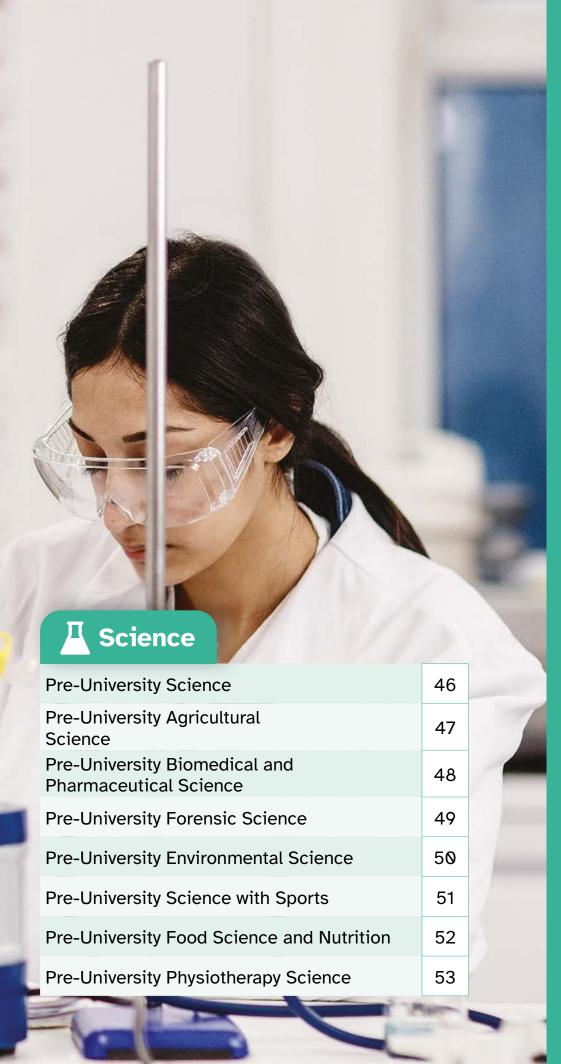
successful. I now feel confident to start my university journey.

Before entering Dunboyne
College, I was filled with fear
when it came to wanting to be a
teacher. I felt as if I'd never get
there! During my secondary school
journey I was told I'd never make
it but this year has made me
feel nothing but joy and success
and now I cannot wait to start
university and start my career as
a teacher. My journey in this PLC
has shaped me into the teacher

I want to become and has filled me with confidence.









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.

Core Modules

- 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 at TCD, DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TU Dublin, UCC, NUIG, Technological Universities, and other colleges across Ireland and the UK.

Examples include up to 21 places at Maynooth University, 30 at UCD science, 20 at UCD Agricultural Science, and 10 at Trinity College for QQI graduates. Graduates can also progress to Physical Education teaching at DCU or seek employment in science-related roles.

Progression

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

Higher Education Pathways

Ulster University: B230 Pharmacy (MPharm, 4 Years)

Ulster University: 9GOW Pharmaceutical Bioscience (MSc, 4

Years) **DCU:** DC201 Common Entry Science

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) 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)

Entry Requirements

(Level 8, 4 Years)

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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.

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

Graduates may apply to science courses at major Irish universities including DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TU Dublin, UCC, NUIG, and several technological universities nationwide and in the UK.

Examples of reserved places include 21 at Maynooth

University, 30 at UCD Science, 20 at UCD Agricultural Science, and 10 at Trinity College.

Alternatively, graduates can pursue immediate employment in science-related roles.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

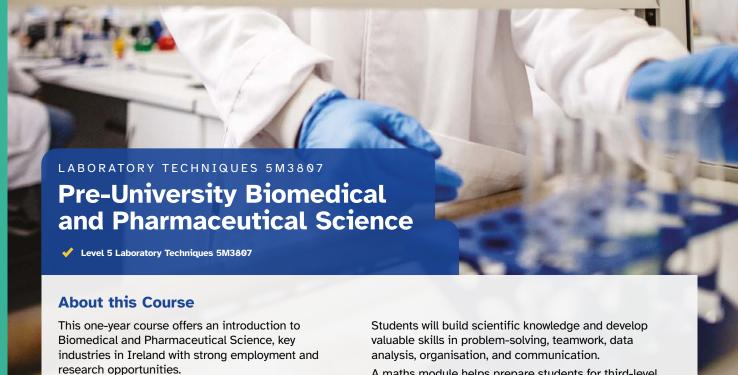
DKIT: DK884 Sustainable Agriculture (Level 8, 4 Years)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





A maths module helps prepare students for third-level study.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Laboratory
 Techniques
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Anatomy and

Physiology

- Microbiology
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Physics

Mathematics

- Communications
- Work Experience

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to science certificate or degree courses at TCD, DCU, Maynooth University, UCD, TU Dublin, UCC, NUIG, and various technological universities across Ireland and the UK. Examples include 21 places at Maynooth University, 30 at UCD Science, 20 in UCD Agricultural Science, and 10 at Trinity College for QQI graduates. Alternatively, students may enter the workforce in science-related roles.

Progression

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

Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates may progress to degrees in Digital or Computer Forensics at TU Dublin Blanchardstown or SETU Waterford, and to the Level 8 QQI award in Applied Social Studies at TU Dublin. They can also access a wide range of Level 7 and 8 degrees in universities, ITs, and private colleges in Ireland and the UK. Career options include Forensic Medical Examiner, Engineer, Crime Scene Investigator, and Crime Lab Analyst. Level 7 graduates may also qualify for roles with Forensic Ireland.

Progression

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

Higher Education Pathways

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

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

Maynooth University: MH208

Biological and Biomedical Sciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

DCU: DC121 Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years) NUIG: GY303 Biomedical Science (Level 8, 4 Years) NUIG: GY301 Science (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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.

Core Modules

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Environmental Studies
- Work Experience
- Laboratory Skills

- Mathematics
- Microbiology
- Physics
- Word Processing
- Anatomy and Physiology

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to Environmental Science, Health, Planning, or Sustainable Energy degrees at DCU, TU Dublin, and other institutions. Careers include Environmental Scientist, Engineer, conservation, and planning, with many also entering direct employment in the sector.

Progression

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

Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



APPLIED SCIENCE LABORATORY TECHNIQUES 5M3807

Pre-University Science with Sports

Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807

About this Course

This one-year course introduces students to the growing field of Sports Science, combining science, coaching, and sports anatomy. It prepares students for employment in the sports sector or progression to health and sports science degrees.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can apply for science degrees at TCD, UCD, DCU, TU Dublin, SETU Carlow, TUS Athlone, UCC, ATU, St. Angela's College, and other colleges in Ireland or the UK. Examples include 21 places at Maynooth University, 30 at UCD Science, and 10 at Trinity. Progression routes also include PE Teaching via degrees at MTU, UL, or DCU. Alternatively, students may enter science-related employment directly.



Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course introduces students to Food Science and food processing, preparing them for employment or further study in science, food, or agriculture. Students learn how biology and chemistry are applied across the food chain from production to marketing.

It provides a strong foundation for progressing to Food Science degrees at university.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can apply for science degrees at TCD, UCD, DCU, TU Dublin, SETU, TUS, UCC, ATU, St. Angela's College, and other institutions in Ireland or the UK. Examples include 21 places at Maynooth University, 30 at UCD, and 10 at Trinity for eligible QQI graduates. Alternatively, students may enter science-related employment directly.

Progression Options

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course prepares students for a career in Physiotherapy, focusing on rehabilitation techniques like exercise, massage, and taping. Students gain knowledge of the human body, impaired mobility, clinical care, and patient handling, while developing skills valued in the healthcare sector.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- Physiotherapy Assistant 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 allows graduates to progress to related Level 8 degrees and then to a Level 9 Physiotherapy Master's in universities like UL, UCD, and UCC. There are also numerous options to study Physiotherapy in the UK, including direct entry to Coventry University. Graduates may apply for other health-related Level 7 and 8 degrees, and mature students are eligible to apply for Physiotherapy degrees in all Irish universities.

Progression Options

Graduates may apply directly for Physiotherapy degrees at select UK universities, while mature students are eligible to apply for undergraduate Physiotherapy programmes in both Ireland and the UK.

Higher Education Pathways

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 University College Dublin, University College Dublin, University College Cork, University of Limerick, Portobello Institute 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, RCSI: RC004, ATU Letterkenny: AU374 Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4 Years) (Mature Application Only)

Other Progression Options:

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)

AU374 Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4 years) (Mature Only)

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 areas that will allow employment as a Physiotherapy Assistant or as a Healthcare Assistant in the healthcare industry.

Entry Requirements

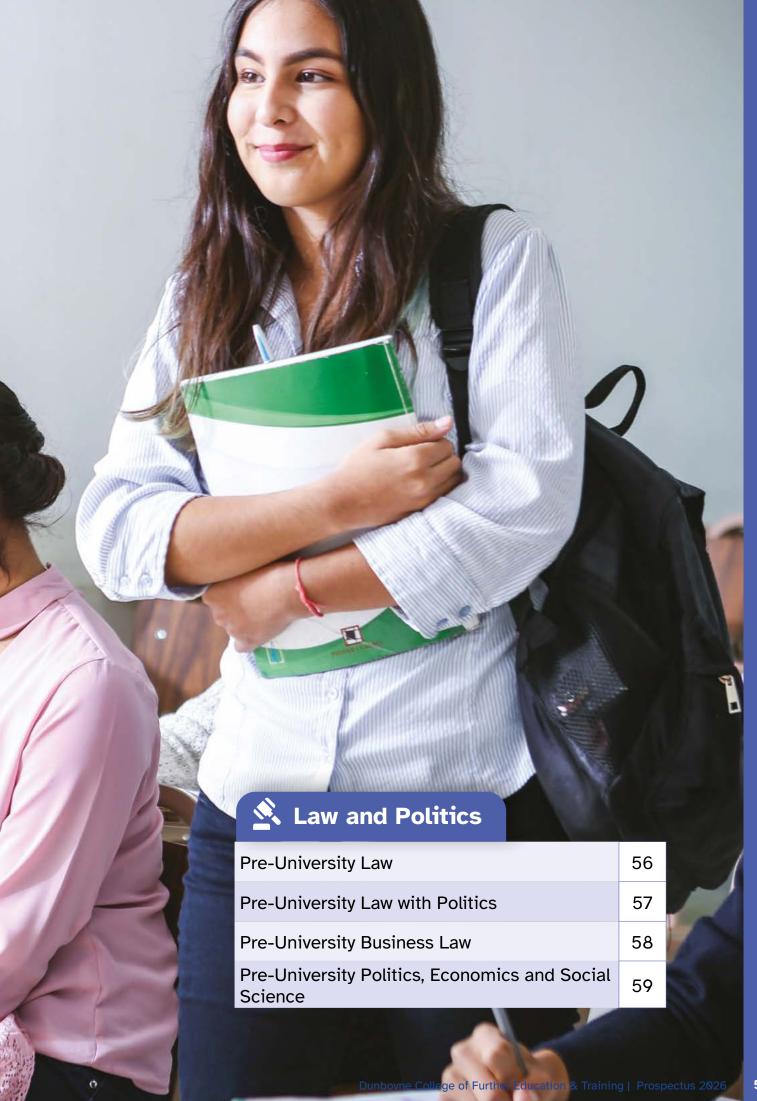
- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



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This one-year course prepares students for entry into Law and Arts programmes in Irish universities, as well as for work in legal environments in Ireland and abroad. It provides a strong foundation for

those committed to studying Law, with many graduates progressing to qualify as solicitors through further study.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

There are numerous places available on Law and Legal Studies degrees across Irish universities, including TCD, UCC, DCU, TU Dublin, Maynooth University, SETU, NUIG, DBS, Shannon College, and ATU Letterkenny. Maynooth University offers over 175 First Arts places, with 30 in UCD, and many more in DCU, UCC, and Mater Dei for QQI Legal Studies graduates. Additional opportunities exist in law-related fields across third-level colleges, as well as in European administration, public service, heritage, insurance, banking, and international trade.

Progression Options

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.

Higher Education Pathways

UCD: DN600 Law (Level 8, 4 Years)
Maynooth University: MH501 Law
(Level 8, 4 Years) MH101 Arts with
Law (Level 8, 3 years)

NUIG: GY251 Law (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)

DBS: DB568 Law (Level 8, 3 Years) **Griffith College:** GC403 Law

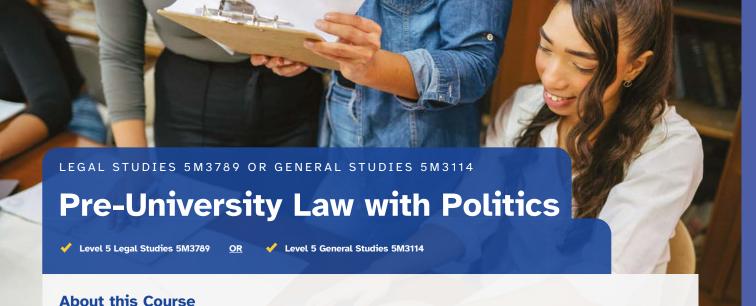
(Level 8, 3 Years)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course prepares students for entry into Law and Arts programmes in Irish universities, as well as careers in legal settings in Ireland and abroad. Offered with political studies, it explores the close

connection between law and politics, while building strong research and communication skills. Graduates can pursue careers in law, consultancy, the public sector, politics, public affairs, and advocacy.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Criminal Law
- **Political Studies**
- **Business Law**
- Legal Practice and **Procedures**
- Word Processing
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Criminology
- Family Law

Career Opportunities

Graduates of this course can progress to Law and Legal Studies degrees at universities such as TCD, UCC, DCU, TU Dublin, Maynooth University, St. Patrick's College, SETU, NUIG, DBS, Shannon College, and ATU Letterkenny. Maynooth University offers over 175 First Arts places, with 30 in UCD, and many more across DCU, UCC, Mater Dei, and other institutions for QQI Legal Studies graduates. Additional pathways include law-related programmes across Ireland, as well as careers in travel and tourism, European administration, heritage, the public sector, insurance, banking, and international trade.

Progression Options

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

DBS: DB568 Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

Griffith College: GC403 Law (Level 8, 3 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications







LEGAL STUDIES 5M3789 OR BUSINESS STUDIES 5M2102

Pre-University Business Law



✓ Level 5 Busines<u>£R</u>tudies 5M2102

About this Course

This one-year course prepares students for entry into Law and Arts degrees in Irish universities, as well as for roles in legal settings in Ireland, abroad, and within the business sector. It includes additional modules in Business Administration, Applied Economics and Manual and Computerised Accounting. The course also supports progression to legal, business or combined degree programmes.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates of this course can progress to Law and Legal Studies degrees at UCC, DCU, TU Dublin (Grangegorman/Tallaght), Maynooth University (including St. Patrick's College), SETU (Waterford/Carlow), NUIG, DBS, Shannon College, and ATU Letterkenny. Maynooth University offers over 175 First Arts places, with additional opportunities in UCD, DCU, UCC, Mater Dei, and other universities for those with a QQI Legal Studies qualification. Further study options are available across Ireland and in the UK. Career paths also include travel and tourism, European administration, heritage, the public sector, and roles in insurance, banking, and international trade.

Progression Options

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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

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)

Entry Requirements

8, 4 Years)

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





between Politics, Economics, and Social Science, providing a deep understanding of how economic, social, and political systems interact. Students learn about governments, policies, international relations, to national and global challenges. Language options include Gaeilge, French, or Spanish, along with European Studies. Graduates can progress to a wide range of degree.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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 of this course can progress to degrees in universities such as Maynooth University, Trinity College, Technological University of the Shannon (Athlone), TU Dublin, DCU, and Dundalk

IT. Alternatively, students may choose to enter the workforce in public service or business. Graduates can also apply for the 175 First Arts places available at Maynooth University.

Higher Education Pathways

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 and 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

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

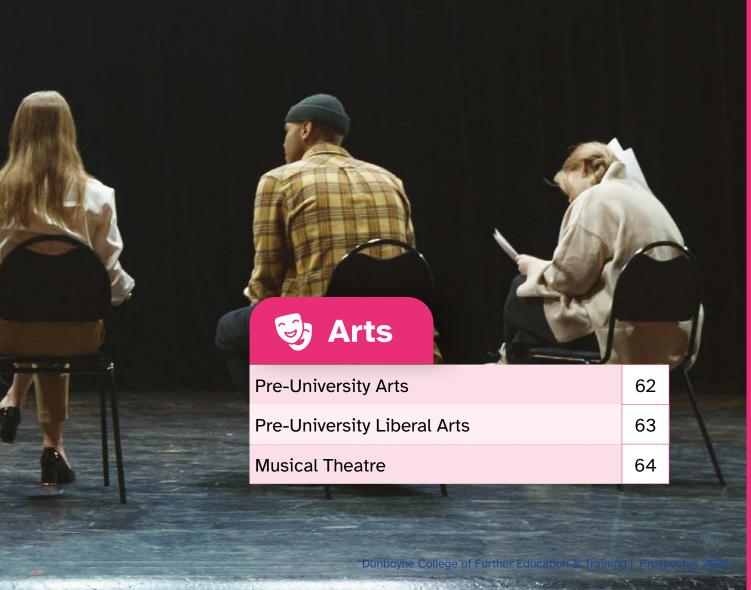
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- Leaving Certificate **Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications













Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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.

Higher Education Pathways

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

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

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

UCD: DN760 Education (Education and Modern Languages) (Level 8, 4 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 and 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

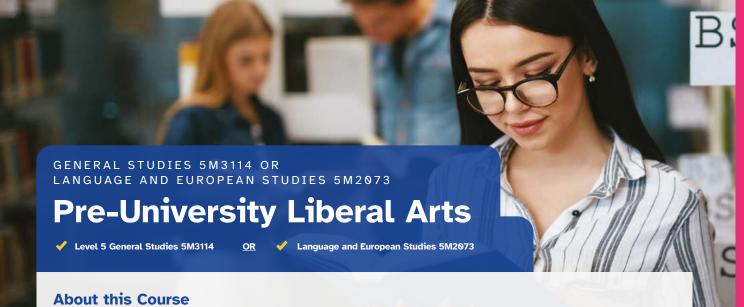
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Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course prepares students for entry into Arts degrees in Irish universities and for work in European settings, both at home and abroad. The Liberal Arts option focuses on the Arts, English

Literature, and European languages. Students can choose to study Irish or Spanish with European Studies or follow a more literature-based path leading to a General Studies option.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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 available in First Arts at Maynooth University, 30 in UCD, and many more in institutions such as DCU, UCC, TU Shannon (Athlone), SETU Carlow, NUIG, TU Dublin, St. Patrick's College Drumcondra, Marino Institute of Education, American College Dublin, IADT, NCAD, and others for students

with a QQI award in General Studies or Language and European Studies.

Graduates also find opportunities in education, travel and tourism, European administration, local heritage, and in business sectors such as insurance, banking, and international trade.

Higher Education Pathways

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

DCU: DC009 Arts (Level 8, 3-4

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

UCD: DN760 Education (Education and Modern Languages) (Level 8, 4 Years)

NUIG: GY101 Arts (Level 8, 3 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE200 Arts

(Level 8. 3 Years)

American College: AC137

Liberal Arts (Level8, 3 Years)

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

Trinity: TR015 Philosophy, Political Science, Economics and 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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications







This course introduces students to the core skills of theatre performance, including acting, directing, stage design, and production. Through lectures, workshops, and practical exercises, students will learn how to bring characters and stories to life on stage. The course also offers an overview of theatre history and explores the work of Ireland's most renowned playwrights.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Performance Craft
- Theatre Studies
- Acting Skills and Techniques
- Work Practice
- Team Working
- Event Production

Potential Optionals:

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

Course Overview

Acting: Develop skills in voice, movement, and character work. Perform scenes and connect with professionals.

Directing: Learn to lead scenes from script to stage with practical experience.

Stage Design: Explore the basics of set, lighting, sound, and costume design.

Production: Gain hands-on experience in managing and promoting a play.

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

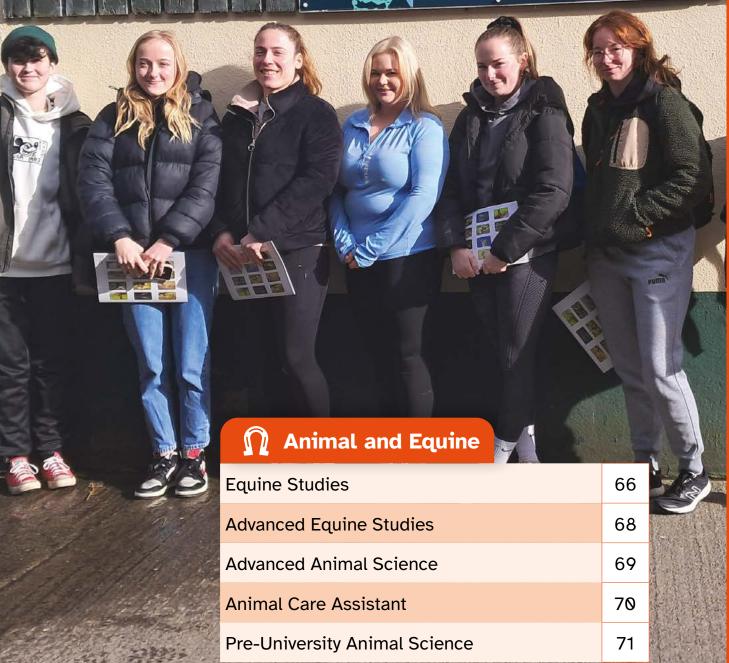
Trinity College/LIR Academy: Stage Management and Technical Theatre (Level 8, 3 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications







HORSEMANSHIP 5M3371 OR LEVEL 5 BUSINESS STUDIES 5M2102 OR LABORATORY TECHNIQUES 5M3807

Equine Studies



Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102

Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807 **OR**

Level 5 Horsemanship

About this Course

This one-year course prepares students for careers in Ireland's growing equine industry, providing essential knowledge and skills related to horses. Ideal for horse enthusiasts, it supports progression to third-level

equine studies. By choosing different modules, students can also earn Business or Laboratory Techniques awards to further their education in these fields.

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 and Yard Routine
- Laboratory Skills
- Communications Work Experience
- Safety and
- Health at Work Word Processing

Business

- Administration Marketing
- Practice
- Biology
- Chemistry Physics
- Maths

Electives

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can find work in companies seeking equine, business, or science skills. They may also progress to Higher Education Institutions through the QQI Links Scheme, including UCD's Animal Science Equine and

TU Shannon's Bio-Veterinary Science.

Many other degree options are available nationwide at universities and technological universities.

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.



Higher Education Pathways

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

Maynooth University: MH404 Business and Management (Add on Equine Module) (Level 8, 3-4

TUS Athlone: US867 Bio-Veterinary Science (Level 8, 4

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)

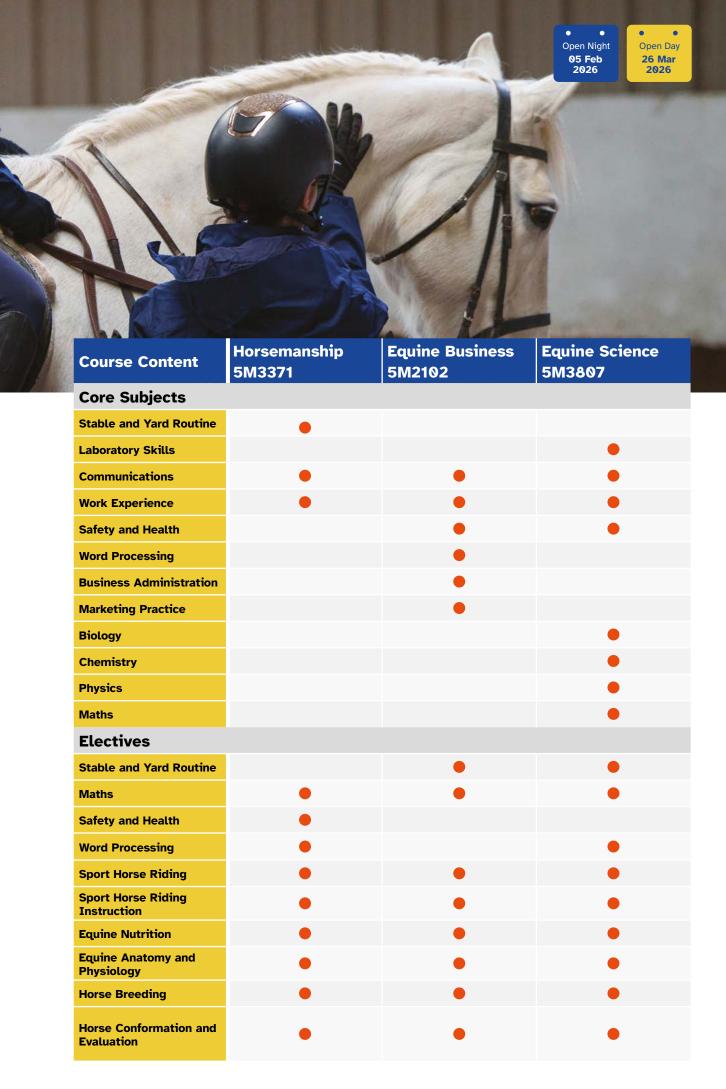
Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Apply directly at dunboynecollege.ie

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications





Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Equine Nutrition
- Horse Conformation and Evaluation
- Horse Breeding
- Business Management
- Pasture Management
- Stable and Yard Supervision
- Work Experience
- Communications

Career Opportunities

Graduates can pursue employment in companies seeking equine, business, or science skills.

Alternatively, they may progress to Higher Education Institutions through the QQI Higher Education Links Scheme, including Animal Science Equine at UCD and

Bio-Veterinary Science at Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone. Holders of QQI Level 6 awards can also apply for other degree courses via the Higher Education Link Scheme.

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
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Cert.



Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





level institutions.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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 of the Level 6 programme can apply for advanced entry into Level 7 or 8 degree programmes at universities and technological universities across Ireland. Alternatively, they may seek employment in various business and industry sectors. This course also provides pathways to veterinary nursing degrees at major universities. TU Dublin accepts it for general science and bioscience degrees. It links with General Science and Agricultural Science at UCD, and graduates have progressed to studies in Wildlife Biology (MTU Tralee), Marine Biology (ATU GMIT), and Bioveterinary Science (Technological University of the

This Level 6 award builds on your existing skills to

prepare you for supervisory roles or higher-level study

Shannon, Athlone and MTU Tralee). Some graduates find work in animal behaviour, dog grooming, animal welfare, stables, and kennels, or use the qualification to apply for 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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course offers an introduction to animal care and grooming, combining practical skills with theoretical knowledge. It equips students with

essential skills for the growing animal care industry in Ireland.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Animal Welfare
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Animal Behaviour
- Veterinary Assisting Skills
- Biology
- Maths

- Word Processing
- Animal Grooming

Potential Module:

Start Your Own Business

Career Opportunities

Graduates can seek immediate employment in animal care roles such as grooming, pet shops, zoos, and rescue centres, where qualified staff are in demand. They may also pursue further studies in veterinary nursing, or as veterinary assistants, or animal science

degrees at institutions like UCD, DkIT, ATU, MTU Tralee, and TUS Athlone. Progression is possible to related fields including Agricultural Science, Bio-Veterinary, Wildlife Biology, or general courses at UCD and TU Dublin Grangegorman.

Higher Education Pathways

UCD: DN310 Veterinary Nursing (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

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

MTU Tralee: MT881 Veterinary Biosciences (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

MTU Tralee: 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.



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This course suits students who are passionate about animals and biology, providing a strong foundation in Animal Science and Biology. Modules include Animal Anatomy, Behaviour, Welfare, and Physiology.

It is an ideal introductory pathway to further study 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.

Core Modules

- Laboratory
 Techniques
- Maths
- Microbiology
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Word Processing
- Animal Behaviour
- Animal Welfare

Career Opportunities

Graduates may progress to Veterinary Nursing, Science, or Bioscience degrees.

Options include Zoology, Agricultural Science (UCD), Wildlife Biology (MTU Tralee), Marine Biology (ATU GMIT), and Bio-Veterinary (TUS Athlone or MTU Tralee). Others may enter roles in animal behaviour, grooming, welfare, or work in stables and kennels. Many also use this award to access courses in the UK.

Progression Options

This course prepares students for progression to Veterinary Nursing or Agricultural Science degree programmes. It is also widely used by graduates to apply for a variety of related courses in the UK.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

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

University of Limerick: LM093 Equine Science (Level 8, 4 Years) **MTU**: MT784 Verterinary 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)

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications









us, from life-saving technologies to sustainable energy

study at third level.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Engineering Workshop Processes
- **Engineering Theory** Workshop
- Control Systems
- Computer Aided Draughting
- Engineering Drawing
- Communications
- Work Experience
- **Materials Science**
- Maths for STEM
- Electronics
- Physics
- Programming

Career Opportunities

Graduates of this course gain a strong foundation in engineering and are well prepared to pursue degreelevel study. QQI award holders are eligible to apply for Level 7 and 8 degrees at universities and technological universities across the country, including TU Dublin, Trinity College, DCU, UCC, DKIT, MTU, ATU and TUS.

Students are also well placed to secure apprenticeships in various engineering sectors. In addition, QQI Level 5 graduates can apply for a wide range of non-engineering degree courses at technological universities and some universities nationwide.

Higher Education Pathways

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 and 8, 3/4 Years)

TU Bolton Street: TU721 Aviation Technology (Level 7, 3 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 and 8, 3/4 Years)

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

UL: LM077 Aeronautical Engineering (Level8, 4 Years)

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

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

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

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.





Our one-year Pre-University Construction/Furniture Studies course builds practical skills, technical knowledge, and an understanding of the built environment. It opens pathways into construction, furniture design, renewable energy, and related sectors. Graduates are well prepared for apprenticeships, further study, or direct entry into the workforce, with strong demand for skilled tradespeople offering secure and rewarding careers locally and internationally.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Building Construction or Wood Fabrication
- Architectural Drawing
- Computer Aided Design
- Mathematics/Maths for STEM
- Safety and Health at Work
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Communications
- Work Experience

Career Opportunities

Whether you are considering a career in construction, furniture design/manufacture, engineering or planning to further your studies at third level, this programme will equip you with the essential skills and practical knowledge for success. Graduates of this course will be well prepared to pursue higher education at level 7 and 8 in areas including teaching, construction management,

furniture design/ manufacture, environmental management, renewable energy, engineering, and architecture. As the demand for sustainable construction practices rises, there are increasing opportunities for those with expertise in eco-friendly building methods, energy efficient technologies and use of sustainable materials.

Higher Education Pathways

TUS Limerick: LM094 Graphics and Construction Technology Education (Level 8, 4 Years)

ATU Connemara (Letterfrack):

AU681 Furniture Design and Manufacture (Level 8, 4 Years) AU683 Furniture Design Making and Technology (Level 8, 4 Years) or AU583 (Level 7, 4 Years)

AU682 Furniture Making and Architectural Woodworking (Level 8, 4 Years) **TU Dublin Bolton Street:** TU833 Construction Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU835 Planning and Environmental Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU837 Quantity Surveying and Construction Economics (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU805-826 Building Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years) or TU703 (Level 7, 3 Years)

TUS Athlone: US880 Quantity Surveying (Level 8, 4 Years)

University of Galway: GY410 Project and Construction Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

TUS Limerick: LM082 Construction Management and Engineering (Level 8, 4 Years)

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU802 Electrical Services and Energy Management (Level 8, 4 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.









Pre-University Business

✓ Level 5 Business Studies 5M2102



This one-year course is a great entry-level qualification for the business world, with strong demand for business skills in the job market. It

covers sales and marketing, offering a pathway to employment or further study.

Course Content

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

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

Core Modules

- 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

Potential Optionals:

- Financial Services
- Taxation
- Event Management

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to degree courses at universities or technological universities nationwide or enter the workforce in business or marketing roles. The Pre-University Business course supports progression to institutions such as Maynooth

University, TCD, UCD, NCI, TU Shannon, TU Dublin (Blanchardstown, Grangegorman, Tallaght), DCU, and Dundalk IT. Over 175 QQI places are also available in First Arts at Maynooth University.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

DC117 Aviation Management /with Pilot Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK816 Business (Level 8, 4

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 Aungier Street: TU965 International Business and Languages (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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





If you hold a QQI Level 5 Business award, this Level 6 course offers the chance to advance your business knowledge and skills. It prepares students for roles in administration and supervision across private, public, and voluntary sectors. With strong demand for business

skills in the workplace, graduates will be equipped to manage administrative tasks effectively and lead within an office environment. The qualification can also provide advanced entry to degree programmes in third-level institutions.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Business Management
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Administration Practice
- Spreadsheets

- Word Processing
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Supervisory Management
- Book-keeping

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Level 6 programme can apply for advanced entry to Level 7 or 8 degrees at universities and technological universities nationwide. Alternatively, they may enter the workforce in business or marketing roles. The Pre-University Business

option supports progression to institutions such as Maynooth University, TCD, UCD, NCI, TUS, TU Dublin (all campuses), DCU, and DkIT. Business graduates can also apply for one of over 175 QQI places in First Arts at Maynooth University.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

TU Dublin Aungier Street: TU965 International Business and Languages (Level 8, 4 Years)

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)



Entry Requirements

- Level 5 in a related discipline
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course provides a solid foundation in Human Resource Management, ideal for those seeking entry into higher education or employment. It also covers general business topics, supporting broader career progression. With further study, students can pursue roles in HR across public and private sectors, from large organisations to small businesses handling recruitment, training, and employment law.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to HR, Business, or Marketing degrees at universities such as NCI, TU Dublin, DBS, Maynooth University, DCU, UCD, and other technological universities. Career options include entry-level roles in HR, marketing, or office administration in both small and large companies.

Progression Potential

Students will study various business related modules providing a strong foundation for career progression in business on completion of this course.

Higher Education Pathways

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 7and8, 3 or 4 Years)

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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 in this area.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- BusinessManagement
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Administration
 Practice
- Spreadsheets
- Word Processing
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Supervisory Management
- Book-keeping

Potential Optionals:

- Business Law
- Language Option Available

Career Opportunities

This course offers diverse progression routes in business and accounting, including Level 7 and 8 degrees at universities and technological institutions such as DCU, NCI, UCD, TU Dublin (all campuses), DkIT, SETU Waterford, and more. Students can also

apply for Maynooth University's First Arts programme, with 175 places available, and study Business and/ or Accounting. Alternatively, graduates may enter employment across various roles in the business and accounting sectors.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

NCI: NC022 Accounting and Finance (level 8, 3

UCD: DN650 Commerce (Level 8. 3-4 years)

MH101 Arts (Level 8, 4 years)

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

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





The Accounting Technician Apprenticeship is a twoyear, work-based programme leading to a Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Accounting. It offers a paid pathway into an accounting career, combining one day of study per week at Dunboyne College with four days of on-the-job training during term time, and full-time work outside term. Support is provided by both college and workplace mentors. The programme builds practical business and financial skills, with additional study outside work hours recommended for success.

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:

Core Modules

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 can apply for membership of Accounting Technicians Ireland (ATI). With two years of work experience, you'll have valuable skills in bookkeeping, accounts preparation, VAT, reporting, credit control, and areas like tax, audit, and payroll. Graduates may work as accounting technicians, pursue full accountancy qualifications, or gain advanced entry to relevant third-level courses. The business element of the course also opens opportunities in office administration roles.

Higher Education Pathways

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).

Entry Requirements and Application

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 2026.

- 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 ATI to discuss their application.
- Individual employers reserve the right to require additional entry requirements. For this apprenticeship you apply via Accounting Technicians Ireland at accountingtechniciansireland.ie/ study nominating Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training as your preferred college.



This one-year course prepares students for careers as Estate Agents, Property Managers, or Valuers by providing a strong foundation in property market operations. Students will gain key skills in auctioneering, valuation, economics, law, and marketing. Estate Agents

typically work in residential and commercial property sales, lettings, and advertising. The course also supports progression to further studies and licensing as an Auctioneer/Estate Agent.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to property-related degrees at TU Dublin, TUS, and DkIT, with apprenticeship options also available. Further study is possible in related fields like Architectural Technology, Quantity Surveying, and Construction Economics at MTU, ATU, and SETU. Students may also pursue Business degrees at universities such as Maynooth University, DCU, and UCD. Career paths include roles as Estate Agents, Valuers, Property Managers, Letting Agents, or office administrators in property and business settings.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

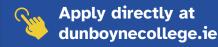
SETU Waterford: SE704 Quality Surveying (Level 8, 4 years)

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year Business Administration course prepares students for careers in administration and reception across legal, medical, civil service, commercial, and educational sectors. Key modules develop essential office skills, while the course also offers a solid foundation for progression to Level 6 business programmes or degree courses.

Course Content

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

Optional Year 2 Level 6 Available

Core Modules

- 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

In previous years, this course recorded 100% graduate employment.

Graduates can work in legal, medical, commercial, financial, and educational offices, or progress to QQI

Level 6 and degree programmes in institutions such as TU Dublin, Maynooth University, TUS, NUIG, and others nationwide.

Higher Education Pathways

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

UL: LM002 Arts-Public Administration and Leadership (Level8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK710 Business and Management (Level 7, 2 Years)

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

NCI: NC009 Business (Level 8, 3 Years)

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)

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Business
 Administration Skills
- Bookkeeping Manual and Computerised
- Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Spreadsheet Methods
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Accounting (Manual and Computerised)

Career Opportunities

In previous years, this course recorded 100% graduate employment. It offers a flexible pathway to further education or direct employment. Graduates can progress to Level 6 awards at Dunboyne College or apply for Level 7 and 8

degrees at institutions such as TU Dublin, DCU, UCD, Maynooth University, DkIT, SETU Carlow, TUS Athlone, DBS, and others. Many also enter office administration and business roles immediately after completing the course.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

DCFET: Advanced Office Administration (Level 6, 1 year)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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.

communication 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.

Core Modules

- Public Relations
- Behavioural Studies
- Marketing Practice
- Economics
- Communications

- Work Experience
- Advertising
- Digital Marketing
- Business Administration Skills
- 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 University, 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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

DKIT: DK712 Digital Marketing and Public Relations **SETU:** SE409 Publin Relations and Media (Level 8



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Gareth Mullaniff

COURSE

Marketing

I loved my time in Dunboyne
College of Further Education and
Training. I started another course,
which I quickly realised was not
for me. Dunboyne College has an
excellent Career Guidance service
which allowed me to make the
decision to change to Marketing.

Having access to career guidance such as Meabh and Derek, is an essential component of any student's success going into third level. Right from the first class

"Dunboyne College has

Guidance service which

an excellent Career

I was in, which was Digital Marketing, I quickly realised that this is something I would want to do.

I particularly admire

each teacher's ability
to include every
student in class. I was
shy enough but the
chance to speak your
opinion and to show
your knowledge in each class has quickly
taken me out of my shell.

allowed me to make
to Marketing."

to Marketing."

Having teachers who often have experience in the sectors that we are studying increased my engagement because I know that they have experience in real-life situations.



Gareth

Coming from a rural area in the midlands, I wouldn't have been familiar with anyone in the college, but this quickly changed. As I've mentioned previously, I was welcomed almost instantly, but the use of a group discussion assignment gave me the

opportunity to work with many new people in the course and to gain new connections with more people.

To conclude, I couldn't recommend Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training enough to any 6th-year students or an adult looking to get back into the education system or to use

it as a gateway to third level. I was given the opportunity to compete at an intercounty level of football while still studying and completing all assignments at a high standard throughout the year. My time at DCFET has been phenomenal and I couldn't thank the college enough for helping me to get back on track in my academics.









Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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

Graduates of this course can pursue further study or careers in computing and games design. You'll gain the skills needed to work in the growing games and software development industries, including roles such as software developer or games designer.

Students can also engage industry-led initiatives that help build key IT skills for employment.

QQI graduates are eligible to apply for Level 7 and 8 degrees at universities including TU Dublin, Maynooth University, TUS, NUIG, Marino Institute, American College, DBC, and IADT.

There are also over 175 reserved QQI places available for First Arts at Maynooth University, with computer-related options.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

UL: LM173 Immersive Software Engineering

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 8,43 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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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.

Core Modules

- 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

Graduates can pursue careers in technical support, networking, computer manufacturing, customer support, sales, or marketing. Opportunities also exist in financial institutions, call centres, and government departments.

QQI graduates may apply for further study in

universities and technological universities such as TU Dublin, Maynooth University, TUS Athlone, TU Dublin Blanchardstown, NUIG (Shannon), Marino Institute, American College, and IADT. For example, over 175 places are available in First Arts at Maynooth University, where students can take computer-related subjects.

Higher Education Pathways

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: DC121Computer 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 8,43 Years)

TU Dublin Blanchardstown:

TU655 Computing – Networking Technologies (Level 6, 2 Years) – Direct Application

NCI: NC102 Computing (Level 6, 2 Years)

UL: LM173 Immersive Software Engineering

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course introduces students to the fastgrowing field of creative digital media and information technology, key sectors in Ireland's tech industry.

From games and CGI films to e-learning and online banking, creative media skills are in high demand. This course offers a foundation for careers in computing and multimedia, and serves as a stepping-stone to third-level study. Students may also gain valuable work experience with organisations involved in web applications, multimedia, and games development.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

QQI graduates in Creative Media or Information Technology have access to a wide range of computer courses in universities and technological universities across Ireland. Progression options include Media Studies or First Arts at Maynooth University, with over 175 QQI places available, as well as courses at UCC, TU Dublin, SETU (Waterford and Carlow), and ATU Letterkenny.

Career opportunities include roles in web design, multimedia production, game development, and advertising.

Further study options are also available through QQI Level 6 programmes and advanced entry routes to UK universities.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

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IADT: DL836 Creative Computing

DCU: DC131 Communications Studies (Level 8, 3 Years)

DCU: DC291 Arts (Joint Honours) Media Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

Mavnooth 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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This course focuses on software development with a strong emphasis on mobile app technologies. Gain indemand skills in object-oriented programming, software design, databases, and front-end development. Specialise in building scalable mobile apps for iOS and Android using popular programming languages, preparing you for success in a fast-growing industry.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

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 industry led initiatives 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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course introduces students to the rapidly growing fields of augmented, virtual, and mixed reality. You'll gain the skills to design, develop, and evaluate immersive digital experiences.

AR and VR are expanding quickly across the software and IT industries in Ireland. Once focused mainly on gaming and entertainment, VR is now widely used in areas like surgery, flight simulation, training, and virtual social platforms.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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

This course equips graduates with the skills to design, build, and evaluate immersive experiences using virtual, augmented, and mixed reality technologies.

Students gain core competencies in computing,

design, and animation, preparing them for careers in immersive media across various industries. Graduates can also progress to Level 7 and 8 degree programmes at universities and technological universities such as TUD, Trinity, DCU, UCC, DKIT, MTU, ATU, and TUS.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

DC121Computer Science (Level 8, 4 Years), DC131 Communications Studies (Level 8, 3 Years),

DC291 Arts (Joint Honours) Media

Studies (Level 8, 3-4 Years)

DC133 Multimedia (Level 8, 4 Years)

DKIT: DK863 Creative Media (Level 8, 4 Years) DK820 Computing in Games Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

DK821 Computing and Software Development (Level 8, 4 Years)

IADT: DL836 Creative Computing (Level 8, 4 Years)

SETU Waterford: SE611 Multimedia Application Development (Level 7, 3 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications











This is a portfolio preparation and general art course designed for students aiming to enter third-level art colleges in Ireland or abroad.

The course focuses on developing a well-balanced portfolio, alongside skills in art, craft and design. Students are encouraged to express their individual style through the use of colour, pattern and design, drawing from the course modules and their own creativity.

Depending on module choices, students can achieve a qualification in Fine Art or Design/2D.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Drawing
- Painting
- Communications
- Combined Materials
- Sculpture
- Work Experience
- Design Skills
- Embroiderv
- Mathematics

Career Opportunities

Graduates may progress to art diplomas or degrees at institutions such as NCAD, TU Dublin, IADT, TUS, SETU, ATU, MTU, UCC, Dun Laoghaire, Marino Institute of Education, Marino College and Ulster University.

They can also access Level 7 or 8 courses in other

fields at technological universities across the country. Alternatively, graduates may seek employment in art, design, craft or community arts projects.

Many students go on to QQI Level 6, Higher National Diplomas or degree programmes in areas like Graphic Design, Interior Design and Fashion Design.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

ATU: AU620: Education (Art and **Design and Communication Graphics**) (Level 8, 4 Years)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications

Applicants will be asked to submit samples of work.





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.

Core Modules

- 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. They may also advance to degree courses in areas such as Animation, Art, Film and Television, Graphic Design, Illustration and Production.

These are available at universities, technological universities and private colleges, including TU Dublin, TUS (Athlone and Limerick), MTU (Tralee), ATU (Letterkenny), IADT, NCAD, DCU, Maynooth University and Ulster University.

Students may also progress to QQI Level 6 or HND courses, while others choose to enter direct employment in the creative sector.

Higher Education Pathways

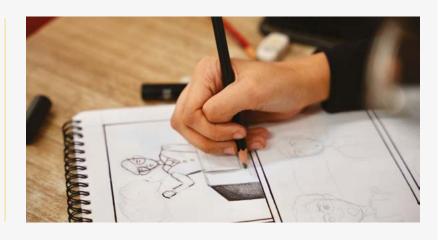
Dunboyne College: HND Animation (Level 6, 2 Years)

IATD: DL832 Animation (Level 8, 4

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



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Applicants will be asked to submit samples of work.

Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry

BTEC Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry

- **✓** YEAR 1: Pearson BTEC Higher National Certificate in The Animation Industry
- **✓** YEAR 2: Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in The Animation Industry

About this Course

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. 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 Choose Animation at DCFET?

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.

Course Content

Year 1

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 Core 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

Year 2

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 Core 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

Career Opportunities

The Higher National Diploma's advanced coursework and practical focus make graduates more competitive and better prepared for roles in the creative media industry.

The two-year programme at DCFET offers in-depth training, strong industry links and valuable networking opportunities, giving students a clear understanding of the media production landscape.

Throughout the course, students develop a substantial portfolio, enhancing their chances of employment. Career paths include animator, script writer, technical artist, art director, layout artist and media engineer.

Higher Education Pathways

Dunboyne College: HND Animation (Level 6, 2 Years)

IATD: DL832 Animation (Level 8, 4 years)

Additional entry requirements may apply. All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**

Equivalent qualifications

Mature applicants





This one-year course introduces students to the world of creative digital media, one of the fastest-growing sectors in the software and IT industries in Ireland.

From computer games and CGI films to educational tools and online banking, demand for creative media skills is strong. This course provides a pathway

to further study and careers in multimedia and computing.

Students may also gain work experience in areas such as web applications, multimedia, and games development.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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

Career Opportunities

Graduates with a QQI award in Creative Media or IT have access to a wide range of computer and media-related courses in universities and technological universities, including Maynooth University (Media Studies and First Arts), UCC, TU Dublin, SETU (Waterford and Carlow), and ATU Letterkenny.

Employment opportunities exist in web design, multimedia production, game development, advertising and more. Graduates can also progress to QQI Level 6 courses or advanced entry programmes in UK universities.

Higher Education Pathways

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





This one-year course equips students with key skills for careers in architecture and design or progression to third level. It provides a strong foundation in Computer Aided Design (CAD) for creating technical drawings, 3D models and design work. Students also develop skills in building design and sustainability and will have the opportunity to prepare a portfolio in architecture or architectural technology to support further study.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Architectural Drawing
- Computer Aided Draughting (2D)
- **Computer Illustrated Graphics**
- Word Processing
- Design Skills

- Mathematics
- Combined Materials
- Communications
- Work Experience

Career Opportunities

Graduates may progress to degree courses in Architectural Technology or Architecture at TU Dublin, SETU (Waterford and Carlow), ATU (Sligo and Galway-Mayo), and TUS (Limerick).

They can also access a wide

range of Level 7 and 8 degrees at universities, technological universities, and private colleges in Ireland, as well as options in the UK.

Alternatively, students may choose to enter employment directly.

Progression Opportunities

Graduates of this course can progress onto the Post Primary Teacher - Technology, Graphics and Engineering Level 8 degree in DCU.

Higher Education Pathways

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

ATU: AU620: Education (Art and Design and Communication Graphics) (Level 8, 4 Years)



Entry Requirements

Leaving Certificate

7, 3 Years)

- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



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Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Grace Navagh Burke

COURSE

Art and Design with Portfolio

For me, the Art course here at Dunboyne was the hand that pulled me through the transition from second to third level. Deciding where I wanted to go with my career and education was a difficult choice to make coming from 6th year,

which I'm pretty sure anyone can relate to. I lacked experience and perspective, and didn't even know how to begin with all the confusing information out there.

This course was

such a brilliant path
to take. It gave me
the time, resources,
encouragement and guidance to grow as
an artist and boosted my confidence in
my own passion for creativity, which is
a rare opportunity in secondary school.
The teachers were helpful and supportive,
introducing new pathways that I had never
considered before.

"It gave me the time, resources, encouragement and guidance to grow as an artist and boosted my confidence in my own passion for creativity, which is a rare opportunity in secondary school".



Grace

Brainstorming, creating and documenting my college portfolio seemed like such a mountain of a task before, but this year made it so much less stressful, and instead was a fun, experimental, challenging but hands-on and overall rewarding process. I now feel that I have the skills needed to progress through college. I have changed my mind about what kind of art I want to pursue since starting this course, and I am so grateful that

I had the chance to do so. I never even realised how much I needed this guidance and encouragement until I started! I highly recommend the Art and Design course to any student wishing to pursue art, especially if they are not sure which artistic avenue to take. This course offers the skills and preparation for every area and has reformed my passion for creativity.







technology and computer applications. Designed for musicians, songwriters, and producers, it offers hands-on experience across the music industry, with discipline through regular rehearsals and produce and perform live shows as part of their coursework.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Music Performance
- Music Theory and Practice
- Music Industry **Studies**
- Work Experience
- Ethnomusicology
- Teamworking
- Music Technology
- Event Production

Potential Option

Event production

Career Opportunities

Students will gain practical skills and knowledge in areas such as music composition and production, sound engineering, audio for film, TV, games, multimedia, and more. The course provides a solid foundation for further study or entry into the professional music industry. Graduates can progress to the Higher National Diploma in Artistic Development for Musicians at Dunboyne College or to music-related degree programmes at TU Dublin, TCD, DBS, IADT, Maynooth University, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Marino Institute, TUS, SETU, MTU, DKIT, UL, and others. Students may also access First Arts at Maynooth University, which reserves 175 places for QQI entrants.

Higher Education Pathways

Dunboyne College: DCFET 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)

DKIT: DK892 Music and Performance Technologies (Level 8, 4 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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- An audition (voice or instrument) will be organised for each applicant. Applicants should be computer literate.
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





engineering, and music technology, with hands-on training in live sound and studio recording. Students gain practical experience in recording, mixing, and producing music using industry-standard software and equipment. The course focuses on both technical world projects. By producing and engineering live and studio sessions, students build the discipline and experience needed for further study or entry into the music industry.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Sound Engineering and Production
- Radio Programming and Production
- Music Technology
- Work Experience
- Music Industry Studies
- **Music Performance**
- Ethnomusicology
- Teamwork
- **Event Production**

Career Opportunities

This course provides hands-on training in sound engineering, music production, and music technology, covering both live and studio environments. Graduates can progress to the Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering at Dunboyne College or to degree programmes at institutions such as DCU, IADT,

Maynooth University, TU Dublin (BIMM), DKIT, UL, MTU, and TUS. Over 175 QQI places are also available for First Arts at Maynooth.

The course offers the technical skills, practical experience, and industry insight needed for further study or a career in the music and audio industry.

Higher Education Pathways

Dunboyne College: DCFET 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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate **Applied**
- Applicants should be computer literate. All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Higher National Diploma in Artist Development for Musicians

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Artist Development)

- 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)

About this Course

If you're a musician who's serious about developing your sound, building your profile, and getting into the music industry, the Higher National Diploma in Artist Development for Musicians is the next step. It's all about helping you grow as an artist and get industry-ready while doing what you love.

Whether your passion lies in songwriting, performing, or producing, this programme will help you build the skills and confidence needed to succeed. With Ireland's music scene continuing to thrive, there has never been a better time to advance your creative

potential and explore new opportunities.

At Dunboyne College, our Higher Nationals in Music place a strong emphasis on practical learning. You will receive coaching and mentorship from experienced music professionals and gain real-world experience through collaborative projects and industry-based scenarios. This hands-on approach ensures that you graduate with the tools, insight, and experience required to move forward as a confident artist or music professional.

Course Content

Year 1

In your first year, the course places a strong emphasis on developing your creativity and confidence as a performer and songwriter. You will spend significant time working on your instrumental technique, building the skills needed to perform with accuracy, expression, and style.

Stage performance is at the heart of the programme. Through regular live sessions, rehearsals, and performance workshops, you will learn how to deliver engaging, professional sets and connect with an audience. Whether performing solo or as part of a group, you'll gain valuable experience in a range of live settings.

Songwriting is another key focus. You will explore different songwriting approaches and techniques, working on original material that reflects your unique voice and musical identity. Guided by experienced tutors and supported through collaborative projects, you'll have the chance to write, refine, and showcase your own songs throughout the year.

While the course also covers essential areas such as music theory, production, and industry knowledge, the priority is helping you grow as a creative, confident artist, ready for the next stage of your musical journey.

Year 1 Core 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

In the second year, the course builds on the foundations of year one, with a strong focus on advanced songwriting and performance. You will continue to grow as an artist, developing more refined stagecraft, musical expression, and creative confidence. Through regular live sessions, showcases, and feedback, you will push your performance skills to a professional level.

Songwriting remains central to your development. You will explore advanced techniques, writing more complex and original material while experimenting with different genres, structures, and lyrical approaches. There is a strong emphasis on producing work that is authentic,

distinctive, and ready for release or live performance.

You will also explore musical direction, learning how to lead and shape a performance as a bandleader or arranger. Practical modules in live arrangement and composing with technology will further expand your skillset, giving you the tools to bring your musical ideas to life in both studio and live settings.

By the end of the year, you will have created a compelling creative portfolio that showcases your identity as an artist and demonstrates your readiness for the next step in your music career.

Year 2 Core Modules

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

- Advanced Composition Techniques
- Advanced Performance Skills
- Creative Portfolio

- Creative Research Project
- Developing as an Artist
- Advanced Music Production
- Composing to a Brief

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to one-year top-up degrees or advanced entry routes at universities, institutes of technology, and technological universities across Ireland. As Higher Nationals are recognised internationally, further study options are also available in the EU and UK.

Please note: progression is subject to each institution's admissions criteria, including minimum grades, portfolios, or skills assessments.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Mature applicants
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications and will be asked to complete an audition (voice or instrument).



Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Music (Sound Engineering)

- ✓ 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)

About this Course

The Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering is a practical, hands-on course that prepares you for work in studio recording, live sound, music production, and audio for film, games, and interactive media. You'll train in professional studios and live venues, using industry-standard gear while building the creative and technical skills needed for a career in sound.

With access to professional recording studios, live venues, and specialist computer labs, students train on industry-standard equipment and gain practical experience in real-world environments. The course combines technical training with creative development, ensuring graduates are well-prepared for the evolving demands of the industry.

Our Higher National Diploma (HND) in Sound Engineering is designed for aspiring audio professionals, combining a comprehensive curriculum with hands-on learning and industry-focused skills. This course covers everything from foundational principles to advanced music production and sound design, providing a well-rounded education in the audio industry.

Students gain practical experience through real-world projects, developing the technical expertise and problem-solving abilities needed to transition smoothly into professional roles. The course evolves with industry trends and technologies, ensuring graduates are equipped with in-demand skills. With opportunities to specialise in areas that align with individual career goals, students can tailor their learning experience to suit their ambitions.

Collaboration and networking are key aspects of the programme, fostering teamwork and providing valuable industry connections.

Graduates of this course pursue careers as recording engineers, live sound engineers, sound designers, and audio post-production specialists across the music, film, gaming, and live event sectors. The HND also serves as a strong foundation for further study, offering a pathway to bachelor's degrees in sound engineering or related fields

Course Content

Year 1

The Higher National Diploma in Sound Engineering is structured to provide in-depth training across four key areas of the industry. Each section of the course is designed to develop both technical expertise and creative problem-solving skills, ensuring graduates are equipped for a range of professional roles.

Live Sound Engineering: Students gain handson experience in live sound production, working in real-world environments such as music venues and performance spaces. The modules cover system setup, mixing techniques, stage monitoring, and sound reinforcement, preparing students for roles in concerts, theatre productions, and live events.

Studio Recording: This section focuses on recording techniques, microphone placement, signal flow, and studio workflow. Students work in professional recording studios, learning to capture and produce high-quality audio across different genres and styles. Training includes both analogue and digital recording methods, as well as mixing and mastering techniques.

Music Production: With a focus on creativity, this area covers the use of Ableton to develop skills in MIDI sequencing, synthesis, and arrangement. Students develop skills in composing, editing, and producing music for various media, gaining an understanding of contemporary production techniques and industry standards.

Sound Design for Film and Animation: This specialism explores the role of sound in visual media, including film, animation, and interactive content. Students learn about Foley recording, dialogue editing, spatial audio, and soundscapes, gaining the ability to create immersive audio experiences for screen-based productions.

The combination of these four key areas ensures graduates receive well-rounded training, providing graduates with the versatility and technical expertise to succeed in the ever-evolving audio industry.



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

Advanced Music Production: Building on first-year music production skills, this module refines students' technical proficiency and workflow efficiency in professional studio environments. Emphasising industry best practices, it explores advanced techniques in audio and MIDI manipulation, synthesis, sampling, mixing, and mastering. Students develop critical listening and session management skills, preparing them to produce high-quality recordings using industry-standard DAWs.

Advanced Sound Design: This module focuses on sound design for film, animation, and interactive media. Students gain practical experience in dialogue recording, Foley sound, sound editing, and mixing, learning to create immersive and expressive audio for a variety of media projects.

Advanced Sound Engineering: This module develops the problem-solving and technical skills required to plan, set up, and manage complex sound engineering projects. Students oversee two productions in

contrasting environments, gaining expertise in system design, compliance, personnel management, and high-quality audio reproduction. The completed projects contribute to their professional portfolio, with client feedback providing valuable industry insight.

Creative Research Project: Students conduct an in-depth research project on a contemporary music industry topic, developing skills in qualitative and quantitative research methods. Through a minidissertation, they gain experience in academic writing and critical analysis, preparing them for further study or professional roles that require research and strategic thinking.

Live Mixing: Expanding on first-year live sound techniques, this module explores advanced live engineering and the interpersonal skills required for professional concert mixing. Students learn to create input lists, stage plans, and technical

Year 2 Core Modules

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

- Advanced Composition Techniques
- Advanced Performance Skills
- Creative Portfolio

- Creative Research Project
- Developing as an Artist
- Advanced Music Production
- Composing to a Brief

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.

Higher Education Pathways

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

- Leaving Certificate
- Mature applicants
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Equivalent qualifications

All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.









About this Course

This course introduces students to key skills in Film and Media Production, preparing them for further study or a career in the media industry.

Students gain hands-on experience in areas such as

journalism, filmmaking, radio production and design, using professional equipment and software. The course also builds a strong foundation for further study in communications, journalism and audio-visual media.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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 can progress to the Higher National Diploma in Film Production at Dunboyne College, as well as a range of degree programmes in Media Production and related fields. QQI award holders are eligible for places in universities and technological universities including Maynooth University (Media Studies or First Arts), UCD, TU Dublin, UCC, Marino,

SETU (Carlow), and ATU (Letterkenny).

Career opportunities exist in areas such as radio and sound recording, music business, advertising, public relations, publishing, webcasting, TV and film production, and multimedia. Further study options at QQI Level 6 are also available.

Higher Education Pathways

Dunboyne College: DCFET 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) IADT: DL856 Film (Joint International Programme) (Level 8, 3 Years)

ATU Galway: AU615 Film and Documentary (Level 8, 3 Years)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Higher National Diploma in Film Production

BTEC Higher National Diploma in Creative Media Production (Film)

- **✓** YEAR ONE: Pearson BTEC Higher National Certificate in Creative Media Production (Film)
- YEAR TWO: Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in Creative Media Production (Film)

About this Course

Film production is thriving in Ireland and globally, making now the perfect time to get involved. With emerging technologies and new formats, there are endless opportunities to bring your cinematic ideas to life. Our two-year Higher National Diploma (HND) is

built around the needs of today's film industry, with a strong practical focus and an emphasis on Ireland's key role in global production. You'll develop standout skills for both film and the wider creative media sector.

Year 1

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.

Year 1 Core Modules

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

Year two builds on the foundations of year one with advanced, industry-focused modules. Students will explore more complex film production techniques and develop a strong portfolio to support job applications in both the Irish and international film industries. There is also greater emphasis on industry practices and opportunities for specialisation.

Year 2 Core Modules

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

Thanks to the practical focus of the course, graduates are well prepared to enter the film and entertainment industry. Career paths include film director, editor cinematographer, sound designer, screenwriter,

producer, and production designer. Other roles include casting director, location manager, visual effects supervisor, and more.

Higher Education Pathways

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.

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
 Equivalent
- Equivalent qualifications



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Additional entry requirements may apply. All applicants



This one-year course in journalism and public relations equips students with the skills needed for modern media careers. Students learn to work across multiple media platforms while gaining a solid

understanding of core journalism principles. The course also explores how digital technology is used to deliver news and engage diverse audiences.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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
- Legal Practice and Procedures

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the journalism award can progress to Level 8 journalism degrees at DCU, TU Dublin, University of Limerick, and NUI Galway.

They can also access a wide range of other degrees in media-

related fields at universities and technological universities across Ireland, including Media Studies at Maynooth University, Multimedia at DCU, and courses at TU Dublin (Blanchardstown, Tallaght, Grangegorman), SETU Carlow, IADT, and more.

Progression Opportunities

Graduates can progress to Media Studies or First Arts at Maynooth University, with over 175 places available, or choose to enter employment directly.

Higher Education Pathways

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Kate Mahony

COURSE

Journalism

My experience in Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training is something that I will carry with me throughout the rest of my academic journey and my life aswell.

Before coming to Dunboyne, I studied for 1 year in Maynooth doing Business and Spanish, something I chose on a whim and had no interest in, and after leaving I had no idea where I was going to go from there. It was a tough decision on what I would do next. When thinking of

where to apply for a PLC I heard nothing but positive reviews about Dunboyne and now that I have completed my QQI level 5 here I know why.

"I feel confident in my capabilities to progress further into third level education".

I chose to do

Journalism, Digital Media, and Public Relations. This course specifically has subjects and modules that have prepared me to go onto do a level 8 undergraduate in DCU. Something I feel I wouldn't have been prepared for prior to my year here. The academic support from teachers and students has been nothing short of amazing, I am so grateful for the positive and encouraging atmosphere here in Dunboyne, without it I don't think I would have been able to do as well as I have.

I have learned so much from my year here and would urge any student in 6th year student that is unsure of what they plan to do next to consider doing a PLC. It may not



Kate

what to do after secondary school, but it should be.

be the first thing you think of when deciding

This PLC gave me the time and space to

develop so many skills that will only benefit me going into my level 8 undergraduate, things like self-learning, how to reference, peer reviewing, meeting deadlines and teamwork. From my

experience, skills like these were not easy to learn on your own and are hard to pick up when studying in college, but the supports from teachers and staff here in Dunboyne help make the learning those skills easier and offer as much help as possible.

I felt quite lost before my time at Dunboyne, but now I feel confident in my capabilities to progress further into third level education, and I thank the teachers and atmosphere at Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training for that.

To anyone unsure about their future my advice would be to take a look at the 60 plus courses available here and take the year to figure out what you would like to do!





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About this Course

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.

Core Modules

- Tourism Information and Administration
- Tourism Principles and Practice
- Ready for Take Off Diploma-General Introduction
- Ready for Take Off Diploma-Ticketing
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- Word ProcessingCustomer Service
- Work Experience
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Cabin Crew

- Safety and Health at Work
- Diploma in International Travel Industry Studies
- Ready for Take Off Diploma

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to certificate or degree programmes in business or tourism at universities and technological universities, including TU Dublin, UCC, and NUIG (Shannon).

Alternatively, students may pursue careers in airlines, tourism, or marketing. Past graduates have secured roles with Aer Lingus, Ryanair, and other airlines, with many finding employment as cabin crew or in various airport-related roles.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

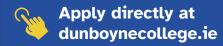
TU Dublin Blanchardstown: TU772 Business (Level 7, 3 Years)

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





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 learn about the latest

kitchen technologies and 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.

Core Modules

- 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 may find employment in hotels, restaurants, catering services, cruise ships, and airlines. The course also provides a strong foundation for further study in hospitality, cookery, tourism, and business at TU Dublin Grangegorman and other institutions.

This QQI Level 5 award allows progression to Level

6 programmes in areas such as professional cookery, bar supervision, front office management, and tourism.

Graduates may also apply for degree courses through the Higher Education Links Scheme, particularly in TU Dublin Tallaght/Blanchardstown and other technological universities nationwide.

Higher Education Pathways

TU Dublin Grangegorman: TU942 Culinary Arts (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 Grangegorman: TU608 Culinary Arts – Professional Cookery Practice (Level , 3 Years – Part-Time)

DCU: DC016 Home Economics and Technology (Level 8, 4

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)



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





with advanced culinary skills and knowledge to work effectively in professional kitchens. It offers handson experience in areas such as food and beverage

for careers in the hotel and catering industry. The qualification can support advanced entry to Level 7 and 8 degree programmes.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- **Culinary Food Safety** Management
- **Culinary Techniques**
- Gastronomy
- **Hospitality Business** Systems
- Producing a Culinary
- Pastry, Baking and Desserts
- Menu Design and **Applied Nutrition**
- Work Experience
- International Cuisines
- Entrepreneurship

Career Opportunities

Graduates of this Level 6 programme can apply for advanced entry to Level 7 and 8 degree courses at universities and technological universities across Ireland. Career opportunities include roles in hotels, restaurants, catering services, cruise ships, and airlines. The course also prepares students for further study in areas such as professional cookery, hospitality, tourism, and business,

including progression to programmes at TU Dublin Grangegorman and other institutions. This QQI award supports entry into specialised degree programmes in cookery, bar supervision, front office management, and tourism. Graduates may also apply through the Higher Education Links Scheme for a wide range of related courses.

Higher Education Pathways

TU Dublin Grangegorman:

TU942 Culinary Arts (Level 8) TU741 Baking and Pastry Arts Management (Level 7)

TU608 Culinary Arts -**Professional Cookery Practice** (Level, 3 Years - Part-Time)

DCU: DC016 Home **Economics and Technology** (Level 8, 4 Years)

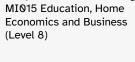
DKIT: DK650 Culinary Arts

(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**





Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Conor Byrne

COURSE

Airline and Tourism Studies

Dunboyne College of Further Education and Training (DCFET) is an excellent option for all types of individuals. The students in DCFET come from all walks of life and all have different reasons for attending the college.

Some always planned on studying here to help prepare themselves for college and later careers. Others, like me, never envisaged studying here but chose to attend DCFET to help get into and prepare for college. I missed out on my college course by nine points, not knowing what to do after I received my points, I was told that taking a year to study in DCFET would qualify me for the course I wanted through the QQI entry route.

I am glad I chose to attend DCFET not only because it allowed me to qualify for my college course but also

my college course but also because during the short few months I spent in Dunboyne I learned valuable lessons and gained experience in college life and more importantly the industry in which I want to work. The course I chose to study was Tourism and Airline Studies. This is an excellent course which gives students

an opportunity to learn about how the tourism and airline industries work. Over the course of my studies, I gained real-world knowledge with trips to places like Oldbridge House and Waterford Airport where my class did our, 'Ready for Takeoff,' Cabin Crew experience day.

The opportunities given to students who study in DCFET are, in my opinion,



Conor

unparalleled especially because of the short amount of time students spend here. On my course, for example, we were given the opportunity to study Word Processing, Health and Safety, Cabin Crew Operations and learn important things like interview preparation. In fact, some students who were in my class are now working for Emerald Airlines as cabin crew. They got these jobs because Emerald Airlines came into the college looking to hire competent individuals with knowledge of how the industry worked and how cabin crew operate, all of which students learn

"I would recommend

DCFET to any person

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prepare for college."

wants to take a year to

on this course. That knowledge combined with the interview preparation given to us by our excellent teachers resulted in five students being offered full time cabin crew positions with Emerald Airlines.

To conclude, I would recommend DCFET to any person unsure of their future or someone who just wants to take a year to prepare for college. The staff in DCFET are so kind and help students with any issues they may have. The facilities in DCFET are also quite good, with a canteen and large seating area students have the option to socialise easily with others. Best of luck with your choice!

Testimonial

STUDENT NAME

Megan Masterson

COURSE

Business and Tourism

The Business and Tourism course at Dunboyne College gave me an exciting glimpse into the many opportunities this field has to offer. With a range of modules like Work Experience, Tourism Principles and Practice, and Business Administration, I've gained real, practical skills that I now feel confident bringing into the workplace.

What I loved most was the balance between hands-on learning and theory. For example, discussing Irish tourism in group settings not only helped build

my knowledge but also improved my communication and teamwork skills.

The support at DCFET really stood out. From the friends I made in class to the encouraging teachers and the Learning Hub—which is a lifesaver when it comes to tricky assignments, study plans, or understanding course content—I never felt like I was on my own.



Megan

And it's not all about studying either! The college organises loads of fun activities throughout the year, like Jersey Days,

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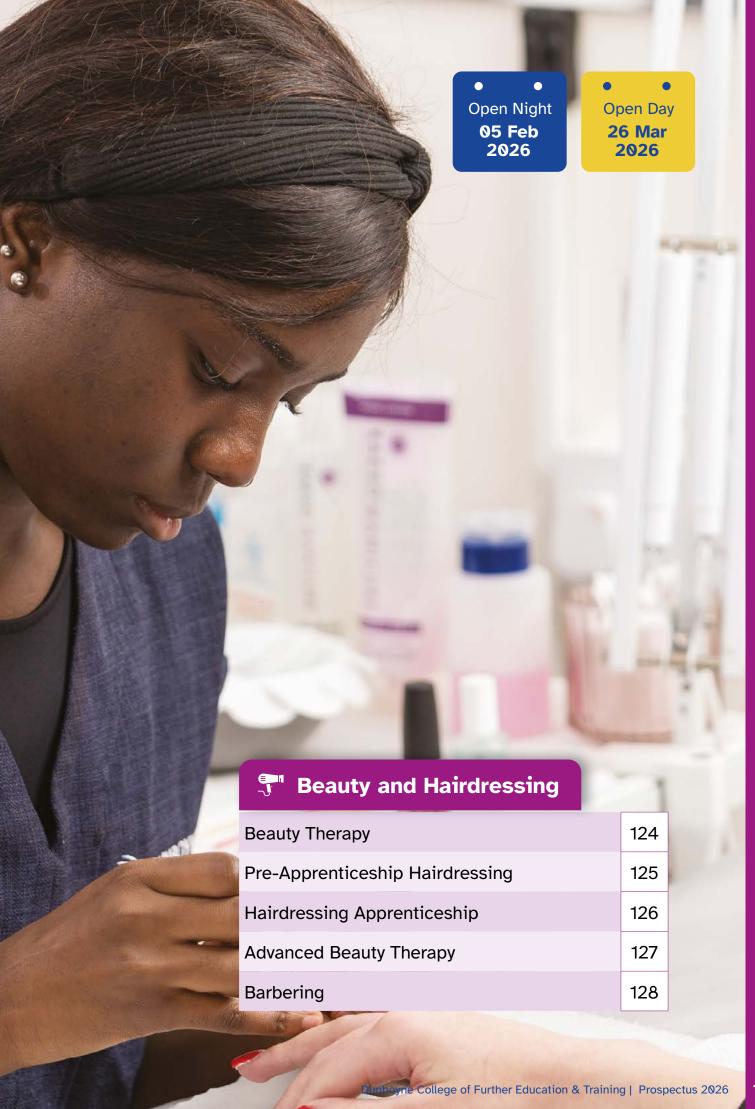
hands-on learning and

bake sales, and dress-up events for charity. One of my favourite memories was helping organise a fundraiser for the Irish Cancer Society with my classmates from Business and Tourism.

If you're worried about making friends, don't be. Chances are, the person sitting next to you on the first day is feeling the exact same way.

I'd absolutely recommend the Business and Tourism course. This year has been such a fulfilling experience, and I'm genuinely grateful for everything I've learned and everyone I've met along the way.







About this Course

This one-year course prepares students for a career in the growing beauty and spa industry. It provides practical training in salon treatments and customer care, essential for working in a professional setting. With constant innovation in products, equipment, and techniques, beauty therapy is a dynamic and evolving field. This intensive programme is ideal for school

leavers and mature students ready to commit to a fastpaced, hands-on learning experience. To successfully complete ITEC qualifications, students must meet the required attendance standards set by ITEC. Additional qualifications include the ITEC Diploma in Beauty Specialist and industry certifications in Nail Technology, Gel Polish, Brows, and Lashes.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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

Students from this course are in high demand with employers. Graduates can work in beauty salons, skincare and make-up consultancies, leisure centres, cruise liners, health farms, or spas. Roles also include massage therapist or company representative.

Further study options include Level 6 beauty programmes or progression to Level 7 and 8 degrees at TU Dublin Blanchardstown, Technological University of the Shannon, IADT Dun Laoghaire, and other technological universities nationwide.

Higher Education Pathways

DCFET: 6M3479 Beauty Therapy (Level 6, 1 Year) TUS Limerick: US946

Business Studies with Beauty and Spa Services (Level 7, 3

MTU Tralee: MT912 Health and Leisure with Massage (Level 8, 4 Years)

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





Course Content

their creativity, and develop strong customer

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

Core Modules

- Hairdressing Theory and Practice
- Hairdressing Science
- Customer Service
- Safety and Health at Work

commitment, attendance, and enthusiasm.

- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Creative Styling

Career Opportunities

Graduates can pursue careers in styling, theatre and film, salon work, or hairdressing retail. Many secure placement as senior first-year apprentices in salons.

Further study options include a Level 6 course in Hairdressing at Dunboyne College. Graduates may also progress to Level 7 or 8 degrees in technological universities nationwide.

Employment Progression

Students from this course are well placed to enter hairdressing apprenticeships or to gain employment in hairdressing salons.

Higher Education Pathways

DCFET: Hairdressing Senior Trade (Level 6, 1 Year)
Direct to Employment Hairdressing Apprenticeship
Level 7 or level 8 degrees at technological universities around the country.





Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving CertificateApplied

Applicants should be computer literate. All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.

- Mature applicantsEquivalent
- Equivalent qualifications







HAIRDRESSING QQI LEVEL 6

Hairdressing Apprenticeship

✓ Level 6 QQI Advanced Certificate in Hairdressing

About this Course

The Hairdressing Apprenticeship is a 3-year, work-based programme leading to a Level 6 Major Award on the National Framework of Qualifications. Apprentices spend 80% of their time in salon-based training and 20% in a training college. The programme combines practical experience with theoretical learning, helping

apprentices develop professional, technical, and employability skills. On completion, hairdressers are qualified to work independently and professionally across a wide range of services, including styling, colouring, cutting, and 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.



Core Modules

Stage 1/YEAR 1

- Induction
- Health and Safety Client Consultation
- Shampooing Conditioning and Treatments
- Styling and Finishing 1
- Salon Reception and ICT Skills
- Colour 1
- Cutting 1

Stage 2/YEAR 2

- Customer Service and Retail
- Styling and Finishing 2
- Colour 2
- Cutting 2
- Team Leadership
- Career in Action

Stage 3/YEAR 3

- Perming and Neutralising Hair
- Cutting 3
- Colour 3
- Styling and Finishing 3
- Capstone Module

Career Opportunities

On successful completion, you will be a fully qualified hairdresser with Ireland's first nationally recognised qualification in hairdressing. This apprenticeship ensures consistent, regulated training across the

industry and provides clear progression routes within the profession, as well as opportunities for further study, including advanced entry to relevant third-level courses.

Entry Requirements and Application

- QQI Level 4 Major Award or equivalent (e.g., Leaving Certificate),
- Two years full-time salon experience
- QQI Level 5 or Leaving Certificate also accepted
- CEFRL B2+ English level (if English is not your first language)
- Mature applicants welcome

Non-Standard Entry:

 Applicants who do not meet the above criteria may be considered following a successful interview with the Programme Manager.

Advanced Entry

- Advanced entry to Year 2 is available

through the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process.

Application Process

- Applicants must secure a place with a salon registered under the National Hairdressing Apprenticeship.
- Apply through: apprenticeship.ie/ career-seekers/get-started/nextsteps/hairdressing/hairdressing-l6



About this Course

The Advanced Beauty Therapy course at Dunboyne College offers Level 6 QQI qualifications alongside ITEC Diplomas. Ideal for those looking to advance their beauty career, this one-year course combines practical and theoretical training with work experience in top salons and clinics. The ITEC Diploma is

internationally recognised in over 40 countries, providing opportunities for global mobility. The course specialises in advanced skin treatments, preparing students for expert roles in the beauty industry. To successful complete ITEC qualifications students must meet ITEC attendance requirements.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

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.





knowledge, skills and competence to use barbering techniques within a salon/barber environment. You will acquire a range of barbering skills to include the use of tools such as clippers, scissors, razors, and combs. In addition to haircuts, you will be equipped to provide focusing on enhancing clients' appearance and personal grooming.

This course provides you with the skills required if you intend to run your own barbering business in the future.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Barbering Techniques/ITEC
- Work Experience
- Customer Services
- Word Processing
- Safety and Health at Work
- Retail Selling
- Communications
- Digital Marketing

Career Opportunities

- Graduates can go direct to employment in barber shops and hairdressing salons.
- Start your own business.

 Graduates have opportunities to progress to managerial roles and other specialist related courses in the barbering sector.



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- **Leaving Certificate Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications



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All applicants will be interviewed regardless of previous qualifications.







Pre-University PE Teaching and Coaching

- Level 5 Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 <u>OR</u> Level 5 Laboratory Techniques 5M3807
- GAA, FAI, Basketball Ireland and other coaching badges
- First
- Patient Moving and Handling
- Emergency First Responder

About this Course

This one-year course prepares students for careers in the sports, coaching, and fitness industries, or progression to further study in Physical Education teaching. Students develop practical and academic knowledge across a range of sports, while also building

key communication, leadership, and teamwork skills. In partnership with Meath GAA and the FAI, students can complete coaching courses and earn coaching badges to enhance their qualifications and experience.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Laboratory Skills
- Biology
- Mathematics / Maths for STEM
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Sports and Recreational Studies
- Safety and Health at Work
- 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 the sports, leisure and fitness industry.

Higher Education Pathways

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Portobello Institute: BA Physical

Education (3 Years) and 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)

US933 Physical Education Studies (Level 8. 4 Years)

US943 Physical Education with Business (Level 8, 4 Years)

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

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





About this Course

This one-year course prepares students for careers in the sports, recreation, and leisure industries. It develops key skills in communication, leadership, and teamwork, which are also transferable to business and community roles.

Students gain hands-on experience and can progress to further study in Ireland or abroad. By taking science modules, graduates may also earn a science award and apply for Health Science in DCU. Ideal for school leavers and mature students alike.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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

Career Opportunities

Graduates can progress to the Sports Management and Coaching degree at TU Dublin Blanchardstown, or to honours sports programmes at TU Dublin Grangegorman, DKIT, UCC, SETU Carlow and Waterford, MTU (Tralee and Cork), ATU Letterkenny, and more. Scholarship opportunities may also be available in Ireland and the US.

Students can pursue P.E. Teaching through an

undergraduate degree at MTU and a Master's in PE at University of Limerick. Sports graduates can also apply to First Arts in Maynooth University, with 175 QQI-reserved places.

Career paths include roles as sports development officers, or work in gyms, leisure centres, and sports clubs. Graduates may also progress to a QQI Level 6 course in Sports or Leisure Management.

Higher Education Pathways

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 (Level8, 4 Years)

SETU Carlow: SE929 Sports Coaching and Business Management - GAA Coaching (Level 8, 4 Years) Rising Star Scholarship

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)

US933 Physical Education Studies (Level 8, 4 Years)

US943 Physical Education with Business (Level 8, 4 Years

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

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications







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Personal Training and Fitness Instruction

Level 5 Sports, Recreation and Exercise 5M5146 ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Personal Training (Gym Based Exercise)

ITEC Level 2 Certificate
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First Aid, Manual Handling, **Emergency First Responder**

About this Course

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 qualifications which are worldwide industry recognised courses.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- 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.

Higher Education Pathways

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)

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)

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



Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate **Applied**
- Mature applicants
- Equivalent qualifications





Sports Rehabilitation and Physiotherapy Assistant

✓ Level 5 Health Service Skills 5M3782

ITEC Diploma in Holistic Massage ✓ Fir

Patient Handling

About this Course

This one-year course offers students a foundation in rehabilitation principles and practices. It provides insight into assessing and supporting clients with mobility issues due to illness, injury, disability, or age. Students will develop key skills valued by the HSE, preparing them for roles in healthcare and supporting therapy programmes that aid in restoring movement and mobility.

Course Content

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

Core Modules

- Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- Physiotherapy Assistant 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

Graduates can progress to a Level 6 award and then apply for the Level 8 Physiotherapy degree at the Royal College of Surgeons. Alternatively, students may pursue a sports or science-related Level 8 degree, followed by a Level 9 Physiotherapy programme at UCD.

There are also numerous UK physiotherapy options, as well as Level 7 and 8 degrees in universities, technological universities, and private colleges across Ireland. This course also provides a strong foundation for direct entry into healthcare employment.

Higher Education Pathways

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 University College Dublin, University College Cork, University of Limerick, Portobello Institute 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:

ATU Letterkenny: AU374

Physiotherapy (Level 8, 4 Years) (Mature Application Only)

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

Other Progression Options:

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) 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)

SETU: SE903 Strength and Conditioning (Level 8, 4 Years)

Entry Requirements

- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
 Applied
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- Equivalent qualifications



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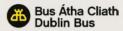
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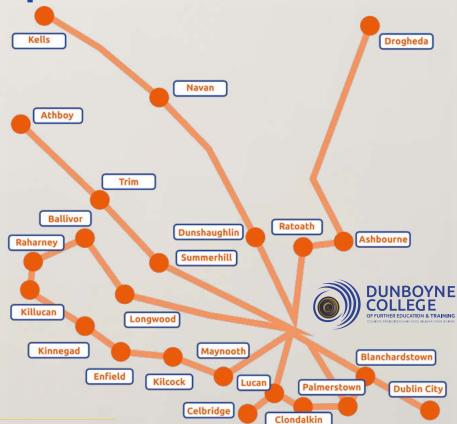






Private Transport Services

Many private bus companies provide transport services for students travelling to and from college. These services operate during college term time only and bus fares are set independently of the college and are between the student and transport operator. More information can be found on the Dunboyne College website or visit mydcfe.ie



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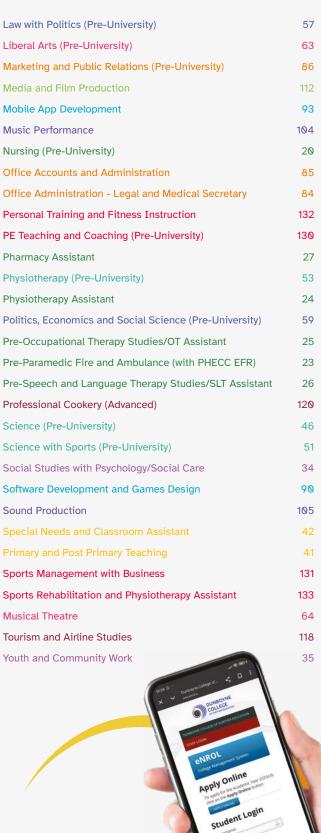
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Now button or scan the
QR code below.



2.

Send Us Requested Documentation

Once we receive your application we will email you requesting:

- Photograph
- Academic Results
- Personal Statement

Some additional requirements may apply depending on your course choice. A small number of courses require an interview. **3.** Accept Offer & Register

If you receive an offer ensure to confirm it by the deadline.





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