Borrisokane Community College CAO Virtual Information Evening

CAO
Central Applications Office

Parents & Guardians of Leaving Certificate Students 2022/23
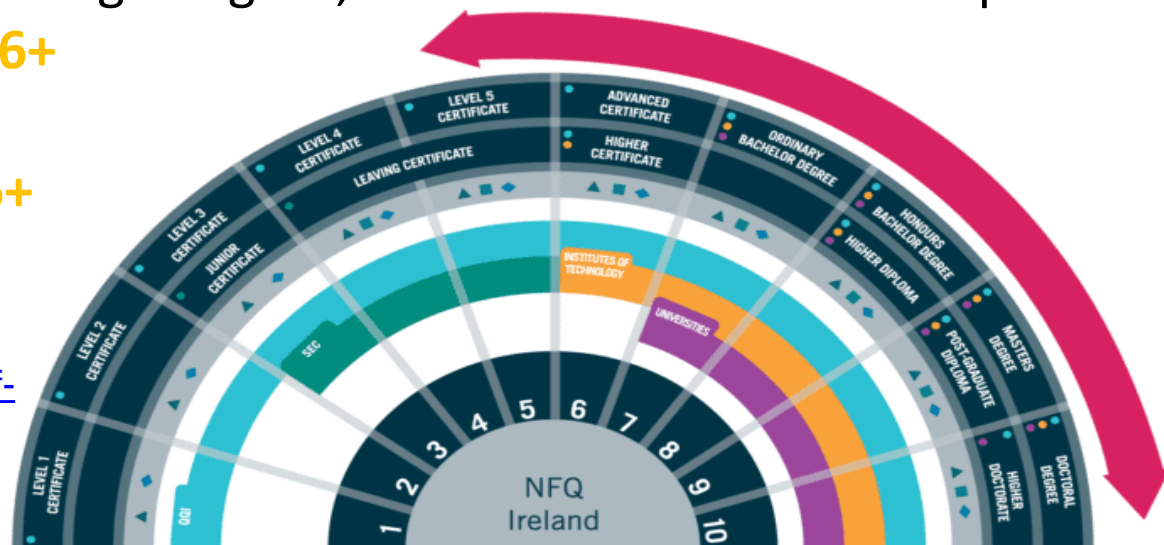
CAO
www.cao.ie
Handbook

Aim for this Evening:

- Overview of Levels of Qualifications & Options
- What is CAO?
- What are CAO Requirements?
- Importance of Researching Courses thoroughly
- CAO application, key dates & offer stage
- HEAR & DARE access route to college
- SUSI grant & Scholarships
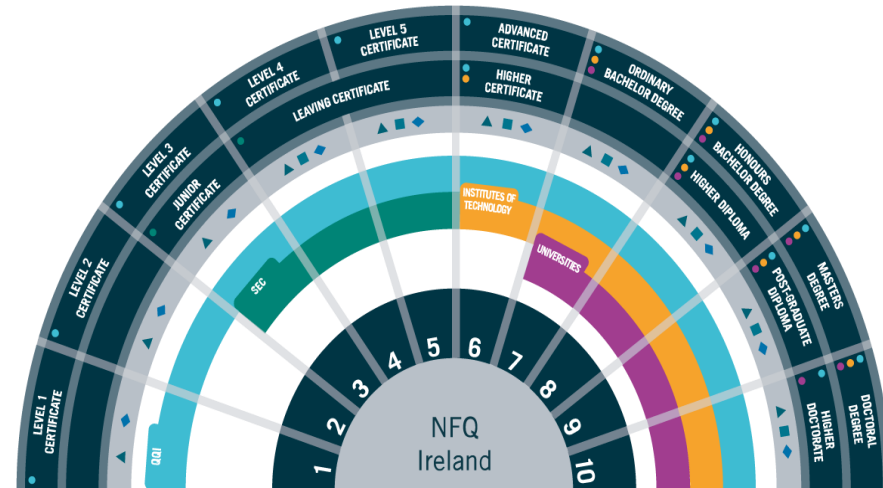- Alternative Options to CAO

Completion of Leaving Certificate Options

- **CAO - Higher Education Level 6, 7 and 8** courses (Institutes of Technology/ Technical Universities and Universities)

- **Post Leaving Certificate Courses Level 5/6 (PLC):** (NOT CAO –Apply directly to the college/institute of further education)

- **UCAS QCF level 6** – University and Colleges Admissions Service (Northern Ireland and the UK) Choose up to five courses.

- **EUNICAS EQF level 6** - European Universities Central Application Support Service. It enables Irish students to apply to eight degree programmes , taught through English, in universities across Europe.

- **Apprenticeships Level 6+**

- **Gardaí Level 7+**

- **Defence Forces Level 6+**

- **Employment**

https://www.qqi.ie/what-we-do/the-qualifications-system/national-framework-of-qualifications
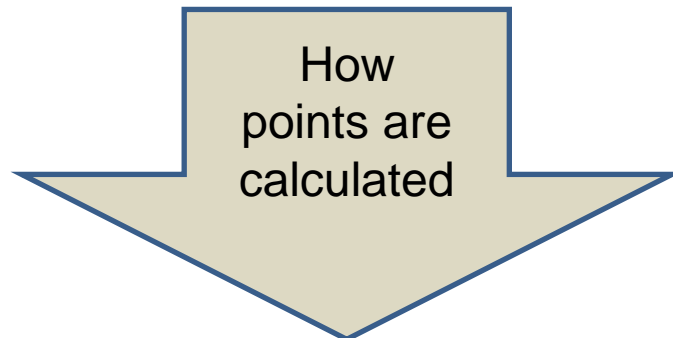
What is CAO?

- Central Applications Office processes all applications for undergraduate courses in Higher Education Institutions (HEI's)

- CAO provides 2 course choice lists (level 8 & levels 6/7 and applicants can make up to 10 course choices on each list

- It is possible to receive an offer from both lists

- ✓ https://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=demo
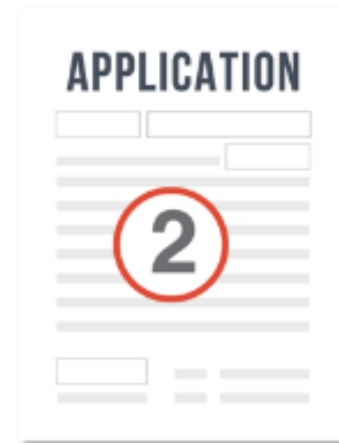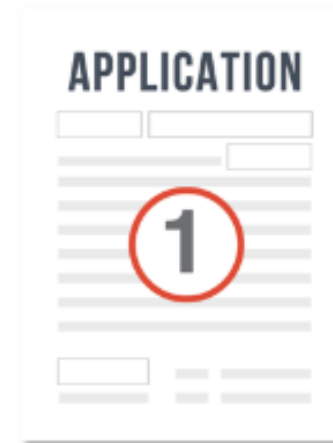
CAO Requirements

Minimum Entry Requirements:
- Level 8: 2x H5 & 4x O6/H7
- Level 7: 5xO6/H7
- (incl. maths, eng, Irish &/Or 3rd lang.*
- *Students must inform colleges of exemptions*

Subject Specific Requirements:
- Primary teaching Mary I: **Irish = H4**;
- Sport & Exercise Science UL: **Science = O3/H7**;
- Mathematical Science UG: **Maths = H5/O1**
- *Some Universities & IT's offer a **Special Maths exam** (student's who missed a maths requirement)

Points Requirement:
- Total points from Students' best six subjects
- (*bonus maths)

***Additional Requirement:
- Certain courses are Restricted-Application Courses
- They have early assessment procedures
- (must apply by 1st Feb)
- E.g. HPAT; Art portfolio; Interview
- Check cao.ie

Restricted Courses:
https://www.cao.ie/courses.php?bb=courses

How points are calculated

https://careersportal.ie/courses/calculator/pointsCalculator.html

Percentage Score	Higher Level Grade	Higher Level CAO Points	Higher Level Maths CAO Points	Ordinary Level Grade	Ordinary Level CAO Points
90% - 100%	H1	100	**125**	90% - 100%	56
80% - 89%	H2	88	**113**	80% - 89%	46
70% - 79%	H3	77	**102**	70% - 79%	37
60% - 69%	H4	66	**91**	60% - 69%	28
50% - 59%	H5	56	**81**	50% - 59%	20
40% - 49%	H6	46	**71**	40% - 49%	12
30% - 39%	H7	37	**37**	30% - 39%	0
0% - 29%	H8	0	**0**	0% - 29%	0
LCVP Link Modules:	Distinction 66 Points	Merit 46 Points	Pass 28 Points	*Can be used for points, but **NOT** entry requirements	

NB Research is crucial (rash decisions re subjects/ levels can be costly)

Restricted Courses & Additional Requirements

**Example 1: Medicine UG Level 8 (5 Years)
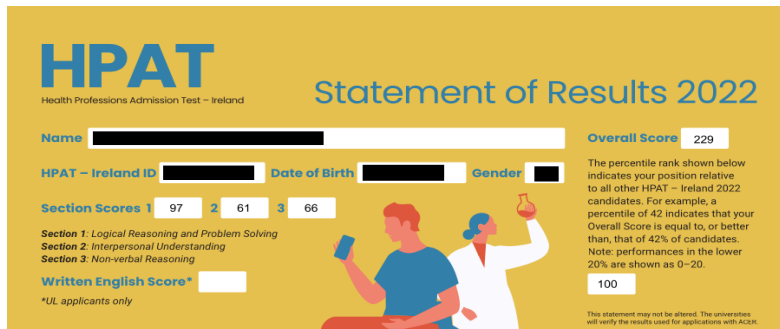2 x H5 & 4 x O6/H7
Specific Subject Req: 2 x H4's in two science subjects
(736 points incl. HPAT)**

- For medicine after 550 points, LC points are **moderated** in bands of 5 points e.g. 551-555 becomes 551 points, 556-560 becomes 552 points etc.
- Maximum achieved = 565
- **Health Professionals Admissions Test = 300 points**
  - ✓ Logical Reasoning & Problem Solving 40%
  - ✓ Interpersonal Understanding 40%
  - ✓ Non-verbal Reasoning 20%
- **CAO points + HPAT points** = allocated places
- Student must have CAO number to register for HPAT (Test date Feb. 2023)

**EXAMPLE 2: BA IN ANIMATION, VISUAL EFFECTS AND MOTION DESIGN MTU LEVEL 8
2 X H5 & 4 X O6/H7
(620 points incl. Portfolio)**

- Maximum 600 points awarded for digital portfolio. The digital portfolio will be assessed on
  - ✓ creativity, presentation and range of work, skills and ability.
- **Combination of digital portfolio points & CAO points**

Note: 'Restricted Entry Courses' must be entered on CAO application by February 1st.

RESEARCH!
*Make an **Informed** Decision*

- Don't assume knowledge of a course by its title!
- Don't choose a course/ college based on friend's choices!
- Research the modules within the course content?
- Are there work experience or year abroad options?
- Is this a subject area you enjoy in school?
- Get the college prospectus/ Check college websites
- Go to the Open/taster Days
- Talk to family and friends
- Discuss it with Guidance Counsellor & subject teachers
- Ensure it is the right 'fit'

*It is the student's responsibility to research their course requirements

https://www.wit.ie/images/uploads/Current_Students_PDF/research-your-cao-options.pdf
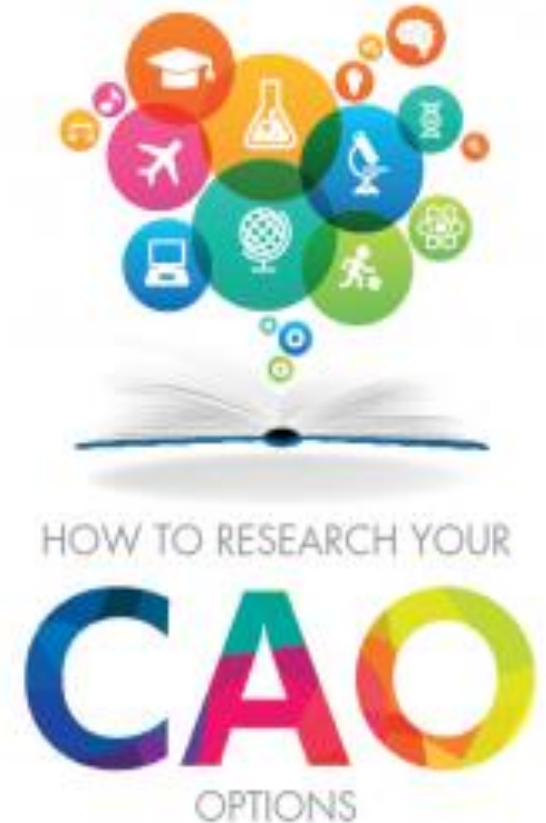
Why Research is Crucial
Zurich Cost of Education Survey 2021

Third level

€8,375 student accommodation

€5,931 rented accommodation

€4,025 fees

€1,809 parents financial support

€344 transport

Annual Cost

With student accommodation | €14,553
With rented accommodation | €12,109
Living at home | €6,178

Lifetime Cost

With student accommodation | €58,212
With rented accommodation | €48,436
Living at home | €24,712

- Cost of college

- Cost of repeating

- Mental Health Costs

UG Repeat fee €1,890

Drop out rates:

14%: First Yr.
25%: Before Graduation

7 Nov	8 Nov	9 Nov	10 Nov	11 Nov	12 Nov	13 Nov

7 Nov

12:30
Webinar on CAO Application Procedure & HPAT

18:00
Applying to University in London Webinar for Careers Guidance Counsellors & Parents

8 Nov

09:00
CAO, IGC & HEI Autumn Conference 2022 - Cork

10:00
Transition Year Show 2022

GAILLIMH GALWAY

10:00
College Open Day @ University of Galway (formerly NUIG)

10:00
Tourism Careers supported by Failte Ireland @ TY Event

10:00
Explore career options with FET and Apprenticeship at these Autumn Events

GAILLIMH GALWAY

12:00

9 Nov

09:00
CAO, IGC & HEI Autumn Conference 2022 - Limerick

DUNDALK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
DHÚN DEALGAN

15:00
DkIT Undergraduate Open Evening @ Dundalk Institute of Technology - DKIT

10 Nov

09:00
CAO, IGC & HEI Autumn Conference 2022 - Online Webinar

17:30
Celebrate 35 Years of Erasmus+ in Ireland

SETU — Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta an Oirdheiscirt / South East Technological University

18:00
SETU - Waterford Campus - OPEN DAY @ SETU Waterford Campus (formerly WIT)

11 Nov

TUS

09:00
PE & Sports Performance Workshops - Thurles @ TUS Midwest (formerly LIT)

SETU — Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta an Oirdheiscirt / South East Technological University

10:00
SETU - Waterford Campus - OPEN DAY @ SETU Waterford Campus (formerly WIT)

ATU — Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta an Atlantaigh / Atlantic Technological University
GALWAY CITY · MAYO · CONNEMARA · MOUNTBELLEW

11:00
ATU Connemara Campus Open Day - Letterfrack @ ATU Galway / Mayo (formerly GMIT)

12 Nov

MIC MARY IMMACULATE COLLEGE COLÁISTE MHUIRE GAN SMÁL

All Day
MIC - Open Day (Thurles Campus) @ Mary Immaculate College

UCD DUBLIN

10:00
UCD - Open Day 2022 @ University College Dublin - UCD

DUBLIN — Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath / TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY DUBLIN

10:00
TUD Grangegorman Campus - OPEN DAY @ TU Dublin - Grangegorman

DUBLIN — Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath / TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY DUBLIN

13 Nov

09:00
Science Week 2022

Use careersportal.ie & the school guidance webpage for regular updates

Open days support informed decisions by providing:

✓ opportunities to ask about course content, industry relevance, work placements & student supports

✓ A sense of the campus grounds, library and IT lab, sports facilities, lecture rooms, clubs & societies offered

https://careersportal.ie/media/index.php

Qualifax

www.qualifax.ie

Course Name	Nursing - General Nursing
Course Provider	University of Limerick
Course Code	LM150
Course Type	Higher Education CAO

Qualifications	Award Name	NFQ Classification	Awarding Body	NFQ Level
	Degree - Honours Bachelor (Level 8 NFQ) More info...	Major	University of Limerick	Level 8 NFQ

Apply To	CAO
Attendance Options	Full time, Daytime
Location (Districts)	Limerick City
Qualification Letters	B.Sc. Nursing (Hons)
Duration	4 years

Specific Subjects or Course Requirements

Min requirements: 2 H5 & 4 O6/H7

English: O6/H7

2nd language: O6/H7

Maths: O6/H7

Science: O6/H7 grade in one of the following Laboratory Science subjects: Biology; Physics; Chemistry; Physics with Chemistry; or Agricultural Science.

Additional info:

• Student Vetting
• Fitness to Practise

Higher Education Access Route HEAR	Web Page - Click Here
Disability Access Route to Education DARE	Web Page - Click Here
Recognition of Prior Learning RPL	Web Page - Click Here
Link to Course Fee	Web Page - Click Here

CAO Application Dates and Fees

+Entry 2022

Early online application (discounted): Fee €30 Closing Date: 20 January 2022 at 5pm

Normal online application: Fee €45 Closing Date: 1 February 2022 at 5pm

Late online application - restrictions apply (see page 3 2022 CAO Hand...

Expand

Course Content

+About You
Are you interested in caring for people? Do you have good communcation skills, enjoy working as part of a team and have qualities such as kindness and respect? Are you willing to learn, practice your skills and become competent in n...

Expand

Modules Link	Web Page - Click Here

Comment

Key Fact
This programme provides you with the knowledge and experience to contribute effectively in community and health care services.

Careers or Further Progression

+Career Opportunities
Nurses can work and/or specialise in e.g. medical or surgical nursing, care of the older person, renal nursing, oncology, theatre, palliative care, cardiac, orthopaedics, respiratory, emergency nursing or critical care. Ma...

Expand

Further Enquiries

Course Director: Dr. Irene Cassidy

Enquiries
Email: admissions@ul.ie
Tel: 00 353 61 202015
www.ul.ie/admissions-askus

Course Web Page	Web Page - Click Here

www.qualifax.ie

Provides 3 years points history

Year	Points
2022	463
2021	498
2020	475

Course Content	programme, students will be able to present for registration with Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI) and practise as a Registered General Nurse (R.G.N.). What you will study The Programme is offered full time over four years. The curriculum encompasses the development of theory and practice simultaneously, with the programme structured as follows: • 63 weeks Theory (minimum) • 45 weeks un-rostered Clinical Placement • 36 weeks Internship During the course, you will study nursing, caring, communication, health and health promotion, infection prevention and control. Biological sciences, sociology, psychology, law and ethics, pharmacology, research and evidence in health are examples of other modules you will study. This course is full-time 4-year programme and includes practice placements throughout the Mid-West region. As this course leads to an academic and professional qualification, students will need to put time and effort into study. Nursing is a demanding profession both physically and emotionally. Successful applicants must be of good physical and mental health and have the ability to achieve the required competencies of a nurse. Offers of places on the nursing programmes are subject to satisfactory completion of Garda Vetting & Health Screening, including vaccination. This will be organised by the Department of Nursing and Midwifery. Prospective students should be aware that there is likely to be a cost implication borne by the student for health screening and vaccination.
Modules Link	Web Page - Click Here
Comment	Key Fact This programme provides you with the knowledge and experience to contribute effectively in community and health care services.
Careers or Further Progression	-Career Opportunities [-] Hide Nurses can work and/or specialise in e.g. medical or surgical nursing, care of the older person, renal nursing, oncology, theatre, palliative care, cardiac, orthopaedics, respiratory, emergency nursing or critical care. Many nurses work as community nurses and general practice nurses. Other career options include midwifery, children's nursing, public health nursing, education or management. Registered General Nurses may progress their careers through advanced nursing studies, thus enabling them to assume roles, as clinical nurse specialists, and advanced nurse practitioners. Recent graduates of this programme are working as Registered General Nurses in hospitals, community nursing centres, prison service and in the private sector. Follow-On Study Graduates from this programme can pursue further study in nursing or healthcare including, MSc Nursing, MSc Perioperative Nursing, MSc Palliative Care, MSc Advanced Practice. UL has a variety of Postgraduate, Masters and PhD programmes in the department of Nursing and Midwifery. Go to www.nm.ul.ie to find out more.

Don't take a course at face value; research the course and subjects/ modules & ensure they are of interest (over 4 years!)

Examine the career opportunities and further progression routes

Use college websites to research modules in courses of interest (book of modules) https://bookofmodules.ul.ie/

Bachelor of Science in Sport and Exercise Sciences

UL Home | Courses

Key Information | About the Course | What you will Study | How to Apply | Fees and Funding | Your Future Career

Bachelor of Science in Sport and Exercise Sciences
NFQ Level 8 major Award Honours Bachelor Degree

APPLY NOW FOR SEPTEMBER

CAO points history 498*
Course code LM089
Duration 4 Years
* Indicates that not all applicants who scored these points were offered places.
† Indicates that students admitted to the programme are required to undergo a Garda Vetting process.

Fees See what fees may apply to students
Subject area Health Sciences

Course leader Dr Ian Sherwin
Email pess@ul.ie
Tel 00 353 61 202761
Admissions
Tel Tel 00 353 61 202015
Queries Queries www.ul.ie/admissions-askus

Year 1 ⌃

Semester 1	Semester 2
Coaching Science & Performance 1	Exercise & Fitness
Functional Anatomy	Introduction to Biomechanics for Sport & Exercise
Human Physiological Systems for Sport & Exercise Science	Scientific Perspectives of Sport & Exercise Psychology
Sport & Exercise Sciences: Transition	Sport & Exercise Sciences: Immersion
Science Maths 1	Introduction to Information Technology
Physics for General Science 1	Introductory Biochemistry

Module Code - Title:

SS4321 - FUNCTIONAL ANATOMY

Year Last Offered:

2022/3

Hours Per Week:

Lecture	Lab	Tutorial	Other	Private	Credits
1	2	0	0	2	3

Grading Type:

N

Prerequisite Modules:

Rationale and Purpose of the Module:

• This Module advances the student's understanding of anatomical structures involved in human movement, as well as providing an understanding of their mechanics in the production of functional and sporting activities.
• To consolidate students' understanding human biology by more advanced functional anatomy.
• Apply an understanding of human anatomy to the measurement and assessment of movement.

Syllabus:

Skeletal system, Articular system, Musculo system, Neuromuscular system: CNS, PNS, axons, propogation, synapses, proprioceptors, exercise effects. Shoulder. Elbow & radioulnar. Wrist & hand. Hip & upper leg. Knee. Trunk & vertebrae. Pelvis. Foot & ankle. Range of motion. Posture.

Learning Outcomes:

Cognitive (Knowledge, Understanding, Application, Analysis, Evaluation, Synthesis)
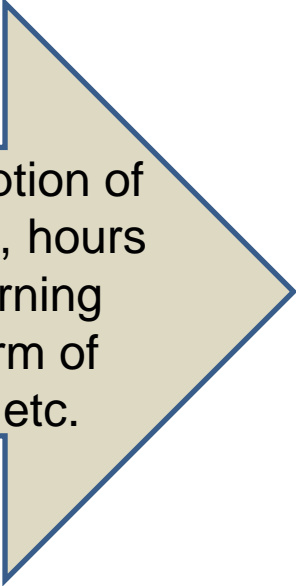
• Develop an understanding of anatomy relating to the musculo-skeletal system.
• Describe the functional anatomy of the shoulder, elbow & radioulnar, wrist & hand, hip, knee, upper & lower leg and foot & ankle.
• Illustrate how the neuromuscular system contributes to the creation of movement.

Affective (Attitudes and Values)

None

Psychomotor (Physical Skills)

• Demonstrate the basic skills of anthropometric and range of motion muscle testing and recording results.

Degree - Honours Bachelor

Engineering (Common Entry)

UNIVERSITY OF
LIMERICK
OLLSCOIL LUIMNIGH

University of Limerick - UL

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Course Code	Zone		Level	NFQ Type	Duration	Attendance	CAO Points 2022	Points Change
LM116	1 2 3 4 5	QQI	8	Major	4 Years	Full Time	488	-10

COURSE SUMMARY

- Course Summary
- Language Options
- **Entry Requirements**
- QQI / FET Links
- The Student
- Career Progression
- Further Research

Engineers are concerned with developing economical and safe solutions to practical problems, by applying mathematics and scientific knowledge while considering technical constraints. On entry into the Engineering programme, four different Bachelor degree course options will be open to you as follows:

- Biomedical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering Design and
- Manufacture Engineering

In Semester 1 you will study modules in areas of Engineering, Mathematics, Engineering Mechanics, Chemistry for Engineers and Computing. By the end of the first semester you will have a basic understanding of the core areas of engineering which will help you in making your choice of engineering programme.

COLLEGE PROFILE

UNIVERSITY OF
LIMERICK
OLLSCOIL LUIMNIGH

University of Limerick - UL

Visit College Profile

View Prospectus

View Scholarships

View Courses

https://careersportal.ie/

Making an Application

- Applications are made online via www.cao.ie
- Students receive their CAO number after paying their fee.
- Always keep proof of application: print screen receipt
- Form is very straight forward to fill out, tick LC student 2023.
- Students must fill out course lists in:

Genuine Order of Preference

- It is a mistake to put down courses on the basis of their points predictions

Applicants cannot be offered a lower preference course if they have already received an offer of a course higher up on their list

Student A interested in nursing UG places it 5th on list based on 462 points. Student A placed Social Care TUS 3rd on list based on 301 points. Student A receives 544 points in LC & forfeits "dream" course

http://www2.cao.ie/handbook/handbook2023/hb.pdf

CAO closing Date and Fees

	Fee	**Closing Date**
Normal Closing Date	**€45**	**1st Feb 2023 (5pm)**
Discounted Application Date	**€30**	**20th Jan 2023 (5pm)**
Change of Mind re-opens 5 May 2023 (12pm)	**Free**	**1st July 2023 (5pm)**

Change the order of choices or introduce new courses
** **Does NOT include restricted entry**

Don't leave CAO until the last minute…Spring is a busy period for LC students – mocks, orals, practical/ projects

Be Responsible

Statement of Application Record

If you do not receive a Statement by

JUNE 1st

contact CAO immediately.

Before the end of May you will be sent a Statement of Application Record. The purpose of this e-mail is to instruct you to log in and verify that all of your information has been recorded completely and correctly on your CAO account. There may be very serious consequences for your application if you do not follow these instructions immediately.

Check the following carefully, and if there is any error or omission amend the Statement and return it to CAO.

Are your exam numbers correct? (do not assume that they are)

Are all exams mentioned?

Are all exemptions listed?

Are all the courses shown and in the correct order?

Check for emails from CAO

- Please make sure to regularly check the e-mail account that you used when registering with CAO for new emails from CAO containing important information and instructions.

- You should periodically check your spam, bulk, promotional or junk mail folders, etc. If you find emails from CAO or HEIs are being directed to these folders you should consider adding these email addresses to your contacts or email address book.

- You should also check the Correspondence section of your account which contains a log of all emails sent to you by CAO, and any online queries that you have submitted to CAO whilst logged in to your application.

https://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=video

Offers

How offers are issued

Example:

The applicant's leaving Certificate results are released to CAO.

CAO checks if the applicant meets the minimum entry requirements for each of their chosen courses.

CAO calculates a points score for all of the courses that the applicant is eligible for.

The applicant is placed on a list for each of their eligible courses. Their position on the list is determined by their points score relative to the other eligible applicants for that course. The list is commonly referred to as the 'Order of Merit list'.

The colleges instruct CAO to make X number of offers for each course.

The offers are issued to applicants based on their position on the list. The applicant with the highest points score will be offered the first place, the second highest will be offered the second place, and so on until all places have been offered.

- When applicants decline/ defer offers this results in subsequent places becoming available in the next round of offers in order of merit

1. CK101

2. DN201

3. AL850

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10. LM040
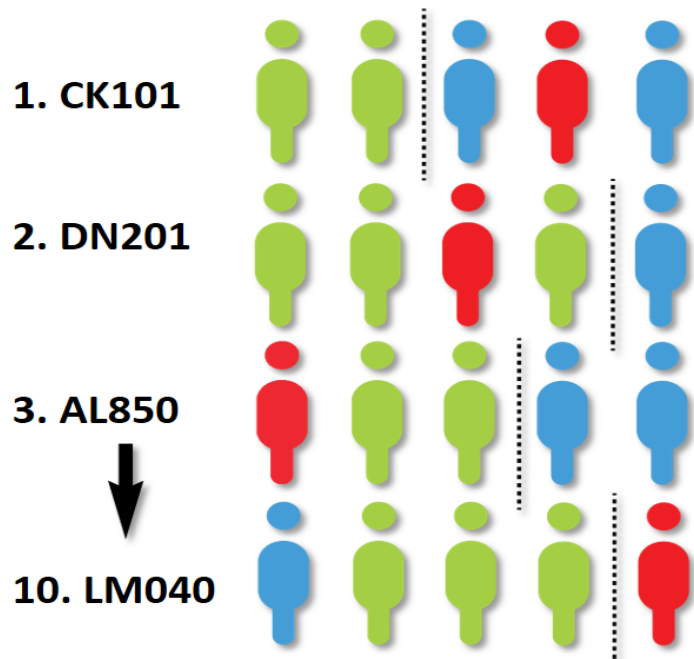
- The applicants marked in GREEN have enough points to be offered places.

- The applicant marked in RED has enough points for her second preference.

Red applicant got 486 points in their Leaving Cert.
1)   Their number 1 choice CK101 was 488 points
2)   Their number 2 choice DN201 was 470 points
3)   Their number 3 choice AL850 was 477 points

✓Red applicant got offered their number 2 choice therefore they can not be offered number 3 - 10.

*They **MAY** get offered number 1 in a later round.*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KhbZ0CEiFNk&t=158s

CAO Offers

your next step

CAO
www.cao.ie

Round 1: Offer made 4 days following LC results	Accept Round 1 within 6 days
Round 2: Offers made 1 week later	Accept Round 2 offer **within 2 days**
Subsequent rounds: Aimed at filling any remaining vacancies	To accept offer, follow instructions carefully and reply within deadline
Students can defer for most courses. Do not accept offer. Contact college and follow their instructions	NOT A GOOD TIME FOR STUDENTS TO BE AWAY ON HOLIDAYS!

https://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=video

- **HEAR** (Higher Education Access Route) a college and university access scheme which offers places on reduced points to school leavers from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds

- **DARE** (Disability Access Route to Education) offers reduced points places to school leavers who as a result of having a disability have experienced educational challenges in second level education

https://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=accessroutes

You must meet Indicator 1, the HEAR Income Limit, plus a correct combination of 2 other indicators to be eligible for HEAR. The combinations are:

Indicator 1 + 2 + 4 or 5 or 6	**Indicator** 1 + 3 + 4 or 5 or 6	**Indicator** 1 + 4 + 5 or 6	**Indicator** 1 + 5 + 6

HEAR
Higher Education Access Route
Application Information 2023

Indicator 1, the HEAR Income Limit, is calculated by:
- How many children there are in your family;
- How many people in your family are in full time education;

Use the table to estimate if your family income is equal to or less than the HEAR income limit.

Number of dependent children* in your family	HEAR Income Limit
Fewer than 4	€46,790
4-7	€51,325
8 or more	€55,630

Add €4,785 to the total family/household income for every sibling/parent enrolled in a full time college, university or post leaving certificate course.

*A dependent includes:
- a sibling under the age of 16 years on 1 October 2022.
- a sibling over the age of 16 years on 1 October 2022 who is either:
  – attending post primary education.
  – attending a full time course in FET or higher education.
  – medically certified as permanently unfit for work.
- a parent attending a full time course in FET or higher education.

http://www2.cao.ie/downloads/documents/2023/HEARInformationLeaflet2023.pdf

Should I apply

HEAR applicants must meet a range of financial, social and cultural indicators (criteria) to be considered for a reduced points place and extra college support. Here is a list of all the HEAR indicators:

1. **Income:** Your family income falls on or below the HEAR Income Limit for the year 2021.
2. **Medical/GP Visit Card:** Your family has a Medical Card/GP Visit Card that was in date on 31 December 2022.
3. **Means Tested Social Welfare:** Your family received a means-tested payment from the Department of Social Protection for at least 26 weeks in 2021.
4. **Socio-economic Group:** You belong to a group that is under-represented in higher education based on the occupation and employment status of your parent(s) or guardian(s). The under-represented groups are the Non-Manual Workers Group and the Semi and Unskilled Manual Workers Group.
5. **DEIS School Attendance:** You completed five years in a second level school that takes part in the Delivering Equality of Opportunity in Schools (DEIS) scheme run by the Department of Education and Skills.
6. **Area Profile:** You live in an area where there is concentrated disadvantage – in other words an area where, for example, there is high unemployment and poverty and where only a small proportion of adults have attained third level education.
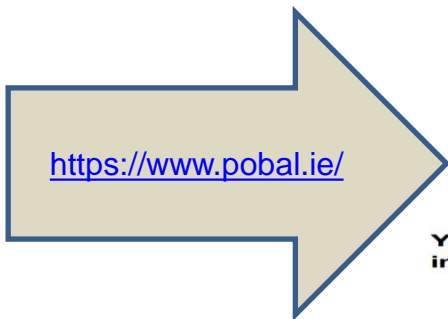
https://www.pobal.ie/

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What types of disabilities does DARE consider?

- Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Autistic Spectrum Disorder (including Asperger's Syndrome)
- Blind/Vision Impaired
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Developmental Co-ordination Disorder (DCD) – Dyspraxia
- Dyslexia/ Significant Literacy Difficulties
- Dyscalculia/ Significant Numeracy Difficulties
- Mental Health Condition
- Neurological Condition (including Brain Injury and Epilepsy)
- Physical Disability
- Significant Ongoing Illness
- Speech and Language Communication Disorder

Prioritisation of Eligible DARE Applicants with a Physical or Sensory Disability

Research has identified that students with physical and sensory (blind/vision impaired or deaf/hard of hearing) disabilities are particularly under-represented in higher education in Ireland relative to all students with disabilities. In order to increase the numbers of DARE students with physical and sensory disabilities being admitted to higher education, the DARE colleges have agreed to prioritise these two groups when allocating reduced points places.

DARE Application Timeline

From November 2022	CAO applications open from **4 November 2022 at 12 noon**. 1. Review the DARE Handbook with your parent(s)/guardian(s). 2. Make a CAO application at www.cao.ie. 3. Fill in the online Supplementary Information Form (SIF) at www.cao.ie. 4. Complete your Educational Impact Statement with your school. 5. Gather your Evidence of Disability documentation.
By 1 February 2023	Apply to CAO by 17:00 on 1 February.
By 1 March 2023	**You must indicate your wish to be considered for DARE by ticking 'Yes' to Question 1 by 17:00** and complete Section A (Questions 1-5) of the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) on www.cao.ie.
By 15 March 2023	You must return the completed, signed AND stamped 1. Educational Impact Statement (Section B) 2. Evidence of Disability (Section C) or other evidence of Disability to the CAO, Tower House, Eglinton Street, Galway by 17:00. Make sure your documents are clear and can be easily read. Please number each page and write your CAO application number, name and the date on the front of each page. Faxed/emailed documents are not accepted.
April – June 2023	Assessment of DARE applications.
In late June 2023	You will be notified of the outcome of your DARE application. DARE Review and Appeals Application.
Early August 2023	Applicants will be notified of the outcome of the Review and Appeals application.
August 2023	Leaving Certificate Exam Results. Eligible DARE applicants compete for reduced points places. CAO Offers are made and should be accepted through the CAO.
Late August/ Early Sept. 2023	Attend Orientation and register with Disability Support Services.

http://www2.cao.ie/downloads/documents/2023/DARE2023.pdf

Is DARE for me?

To be eligible for DARE you must meet both the DARE Educational Impact criteria and DARE Evidence of Disability criteria.
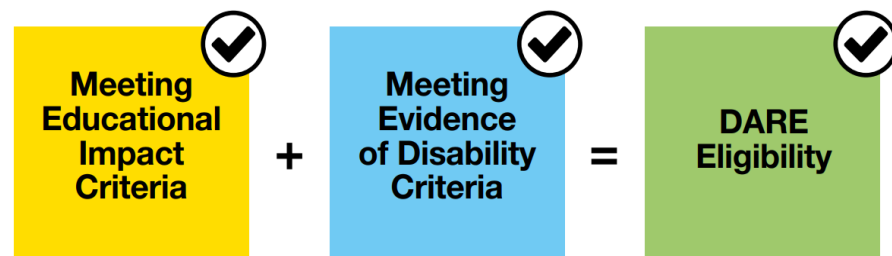
Meeting DARE's Educational Impact criteria

Has your disability/condition impacted you in a combination of the following indicators:

1. Have you received intervention or supports in post-primary school?
2. Has it impacted on your attendance or regularly disrupted your school day?
3. Has it affected your school experience and wellbeing?
4. Has it impacted on your learning or exam results?
5. Has it caused any other educational impact?
6. **Required for applicants with Dyslexia/ Significant Literacy Difficulties or Dyscalculia/ Significant Numeracy Difficulties:** is it severely impacting on your literacy or numeracy scores?

Applicants with Dyslexia/ Significant Literacy Difficulties or Dyscalculia/ Significant Numeracy Difficulties must meet Indicator 6 plus one other indicator.

All other applicants must meet any combination of two indicators from Indicators 1 to 5.

Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI)

https://susi.ie/your-guide-to-susi/

INCOME THRESHOLDS

PLC (Maintenance Grant Only) & Undergraduate Students

Rate of Funding	Maintenance Grant Rate		Income Threshold by No. of Dependent Children			Threshold Increase per additional perso in 3rd Level
	Adjacent (Under 30km)	Non-Adjacent (Over 30km)	Less than 4 children	4-7 Children	8+ Children	
100% Student Contribution + Special Rate Maintenance Grant*	€2,575	€6,115	€24,500	€24,500	€24,500	+ €0
100% Student Contribution + Band 1 Full Maintenance	€1,415	€3,225	€40,875	€44,810	€48,575	+ €4,950
100% Student Contribution + Band 2 Part Maintenance	€1,110	€2,470	€41,970	€46,025	€49,890	+ €4,785
100% Student Contribution + Band 3 Part Maintenance	€805	€1,715	€44,380	€48,670	€52,760	+ €4,785
100% Student Contribution + Band 4 Part Maintenance	€505	€955	€46,790	€51,325	€55,630	+ €4,785
50% Tuition Fees OR 100% Student Contribution	€0	€0	€50,840	€55,765	€60,455	+ €4,950
50% Student Contribution	€0	€0	€55,240	€60,595	€65,700	+ €4,950

Step 1
- Register your SUSI account online at www.susi.ie
- Complete and submit your application.
- You must apply each year to renew your application.

Step 2
- Based on the information provided in your application, you will receive either a decision letter or a letter requesting documentation so that SUSI can complete its assessment of your application.

Step 3
- Once your supporting documents have been reviewed, you will be advised of the decision on your grant application by post. This will be either: A) Awarded or B) Refused

Step 4
- To receive payment, awarded students will need to have:
  - Registered with their college for the new academic year;
  - Been confirmed by their college as registered/attending;
  - Submitted their bank details through their online SUSI account.

https://susi.ie/eligibility-reckoner-app-irish/index.html

Third-level Scholarships
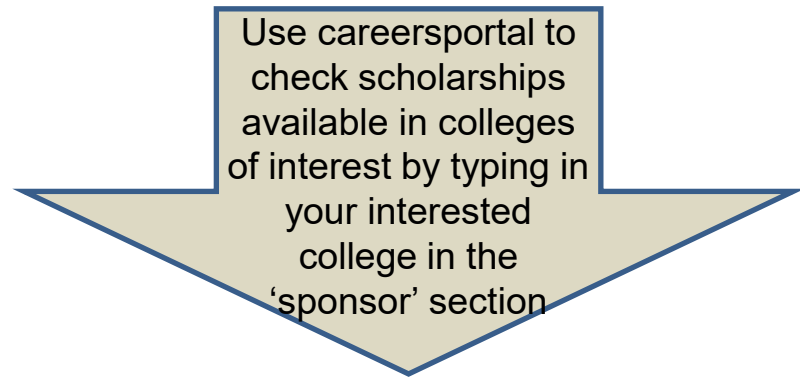
- Entrance
- All-Ireland
- Sports
- Performing/Creative Arts
- Active Citizenship
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Academic
- Subject Specific:
  - for studying in a particular sector
  E.g. Accounting, Science, Engineering, Pharmacy, Languages
- Miscellaneous

Use careersportal to check scholarships available in colleges of interest by typing in your interested college in the 'sponsor' section

School of Business Awards
University of Limerick - UL

TYPE	APPLY	LEVEL	SUBJECT AREAS(S)
Attendee Scholarship	Check Website	Undergrad	Business

UL's School of Business offers four Awards for attending students. Click on the link to read more about the Grant Thornton Award, Louise Newman Prize, PwC Prize, and the Kemmy Business School/Northern Trust Outstanding Scholar Award.

Full Details ›

School of Engineering and Technology Scholarships/Awards
University of Limerick - UL

TYPE	APPLY	LEVEL	SUBJECT AREAS(S)
Attendee Scholarship	Check Website	Undergrad/Postgrad	Engineering And Technology

UL's School of Engineering and Technology offers a number of scholarships for attending students. Click on the link to read more about the scholarships available.

Full Details ›

School of Journalism Awards
University of Limerick - UL

TYPE	APPLY	LEVEL	SUBJECT AREAS(S)
Attendee Scholarship	Check Website	Undergrad	Journalism

UL's School of Journalism offers two Awards for attending students. Click on the link to read more about the Live 95 Radio Journalism Award and the Irish Examiner Video Journalism Award.

https://careersportal.ie/scholarships

UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service) https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate – colleges in the UK. Closing date 25th January 2023
(**MEDICINE, VETERINARY MEDICINE/SCIENCE, AND DENTISTRY = MID OCT. 2022)*

EUNICAS (European Universities Central Application Support Service) https://www.eunicas.ie/ – colleges in Europe (study through English). Application closing dates vary.

Post Leaving Certificate Courses, obtain a level 5/6 qualification with which students can go straight into the workforce or reapply through the CAO system through the higher education links scheme to Universities and Technological Universities https://www.qualifax.ie/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid=194

Apprenticeships As an apprentice, you earn while you learn. An apprenticeship is a combination of phased learning in a college or training institution and work-based learning. https://tipperary.etb.ie/further-education/training-services/apprenticeships/

Traineeships Traineeships are occupational specific and industry endorsed training programmes providing access to specific occupations in designated sectors. A Traineeship combines learning in an education and training setting and in the workplace. They take 6-20 months to complete and range from level 4-6 on NFQ. https://tipperary.etb.ie/further-education/training-services/traineeships/

Gardaí The Public Appointments Service (PAS) manages the application process and the initial selection stages of the campaign on behalf of the Garda Commissioner. To register your interest you must have a "User Account" on http://www.publicjobs.ie. Candidates should not confuse registering (Creating a Profile) and setting up a job alert with submitting an application. Once the position is advertised you must then access the application form, complete and submit it.

Defence Forces (Army, Navy, Air corps) Current competitions, careers entry routes and requirements www.military.ie or https://careersportal.ie/sectors/qualifications.php?client_id=44&h_id=44

PLC
(Post Leaving Cert Course)

	Code	Course Title	College	Level	Points 2022	QQI Link?	Years
☆	CAO DC218	Children's and General Nursing (Integrated)	Dublin City University - DCU	🎓8	509 ▼	🔗	4.5 Years
☆	CAO TR911	Children's and General Nursing (Integrated)	Trinity College Dublin - TCD	🎓8	532 ▲		4 Years
☆	CAO CK712	Children's and General Nursing (Integrated)	University College Cork - UCC	🎓8	554 ▼	🔗	4 Years
☆	CAO DN451	Children's and General Nursing (Integrated)	University College Dublin - UCD	🎓8	531 ▼	🔗	4 Years
☆	CAO LM150	General Nursing	University of Limerick - UL	🎓8	462 ▼	🔗	4 Years
☆	CAO DC215	General Nursing	Dublin City University - DCU	🎓8	447 ▼	🔗	4 Years
☆	CAO US877	General Nursing	TUS Midlands (formerly AIT)	🎓8	420 ▼	🔗	4 Years

you need to obtain:
5 x distinctions

3 must include:
1. Anatomy & Physiology
2. Introduction to Nursing
3. Human Growth & Development

Why do a PLC course?
• PLCs offer a chance to gain work experience & transferable skills
• PLC awards are nationally recognised, delivered locally in a wide range of disciplines
• PLCs offer a step towards going to college
• A PLC is a good way to try out a course & gain maturity if you aren't ready to go straight into college after finishing school

Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré
College of Further Education

Nursing Studies
QQI Level 5

Module Name	Description
Anatomy & Physiology	This is the study of the normal structure and function of the human body and provides learners with a foundation for further study in undergraduate nursing programmes.
Nursing Theory & Practice	The history and development of nursing as a profession are studied in this component. Contemporary practice issues are explored and clinical skills are practiced.
Communications	Students gain the necessary skills to progress their vocational and personal development, by learning how to communicate accurately and effectively. Exploration of a wide array of written and oral communication methods.
Work Experience	The learner will develop the relevant skills and confidence to participate in employment and carry out work-related tasks independently or in a supervisory capacity.
Human Growth & Development	This module aims to introduce learners to human development and behaviour from infancy to old age. It is designed to enable learners to work in a variety of community/social care settings where frequent demand is made on the individual to relate to people with various levels of ability.
Care Skills	Learners learn how to assess the care needs of individuals and groups, how to plan, deliver and evaluate care. The practical and technical skills required for care provision are also included.
Care of the Older Person	The specific care needs of the older person are explored in this component. National guidelines, legislation and the specialised skills required for caring for older people are focused on.
Infection Prevention & Control	Throughout this component learners develop an understanding of the principles underpinning infection prevention and control in various healthcare settings. The practical skills required to implement the principles are practiced.
Word Processing	Producing documents to a high standard of presentation with opportunities to apply

COURSE OVERVIEW
This programme will allow the Candidate obtain a Pre-Nursing qualification.
It is designed to give the Candidate the practical skills and knowledge necessary for further study in nursing through the Higher Education Links Scheme and in the UK. Candidates may access careers in Nursing, Midwifery and the Paramedics

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Leaving Certificate or equivalent, prior experience or a keen interest in the area.

The Garda vetting process must be completed in respect of all individuals working with children or vulnerable adults - work placements will require students be vaccinated against Hepatitis B virus.

CERTIFICATION
Nursing Studies Award (5M4349) QQI Level 5
Safe Patient Moving and Handling
Cardiac First Response
Recognising and Responding to Elder Abuse
Hand Hygiene

AREAS OF STUDY
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Communications
- Work Experience*
- Care of the Older Person
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Care Skills
- Human Growth and Development
- Word Processing

* Work Experience (25 days) is a mandatory part of this programme. Work placement must be in a healthcare setting eg Hospitals, Community Nursing Units, Nursing Homes, Day Care or Additional Needs Centres.

FEES
If successful at interview:
- A booking fee of €50 (non-refundable) must be paid to secure a place on our further education courses.
- Resource contribution fee €50
- Additional course/service fees are outlines on the college website - www.cpr.ie

Current medical card, VTOS, BTEA holders or candidates in receipt of the student grants scheme are exempt from the following fee:
- Department of Education and Skills Contribution

FURTHER STUDY
Roscrea College of Further Education has Progression and Cooperation Agreements with Limerick Institute of Technology, Carlow Institute of Technology and Waterford Institute of Technology.

Eleven higher education institutions offer a limited number of places to Honours Degree Programmes in Nursing having achieved a minimum of five distinctions in specified components:

N.U.I. Galway
(GY 527) Nursing (Midwifery)
DCU
(DC 215) General Nursing
UL
(LK 150) Nursing General
Athlone I.T.
(AL 830) General Nursing
Waterford
(WD 116) General Nursing
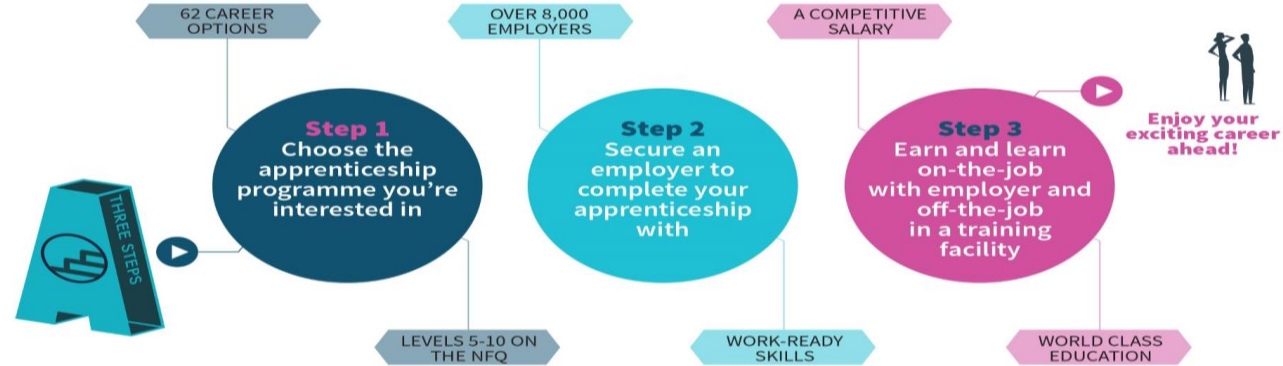Athlone
(AL 831) Nursing General (Mature Students)

Progression Links are currently being established with UK Universities.

Tel: 0505 23939
Email: colaistephobal@tipperaryetb.ie

www.cpr.ie

https://www.findacourse.ie/plc-courses-as-a-route-to-third-level/

Apprenticeship

https://apprenticeship.ie/

Why do an Apprenticeship?

- ➢ **62** apprenticeship programmes in many industries, from international finance to construction, to engineering, to healthcare, to biopharma, to hospitality. Over **8,000** employers employing over **23,000** apprentices.
- ➢ To become an apprentice, you need to be hired by an employer formally approved to employ apprentices (SOLAS).
- ➢ All apprenticeships lead to a qualification on the NFQ.
- ➢ Apprenticeships are between 2 & 4 years depending on the programme.
- ➢ Apprentice jobs come up all year round -search apprenticeship vacancies by location on the Apprenticeship Jobs page. or
- ➢ Your local ETB may hold details of employers seeking apprentices.

The following websites have live Apprenticeship Vacancies:

Jobs Ireland https://jobsireland.ie/en-US/browse-jobs?CareerlevelId=undefined&keyWord=apprentice&CareerlevelId=undefined&keyWord=apprentice
indeed.com https://ie.indeed.com/jobs?q=Apprentice&gclid=CJ-UjpGG1LMCFc-K4QodqX0A8Q&vjk=f12df90670b1e6bb
careerjet.ie https://www.careerjet.ie/apprentice-jobs.html
Jobalert.ie https://www.jobalert.ie/jobs?search=apprentice

Careers Classes:

- 6D , 6E , 6F, and LCA : Trudy Carroll

- 6B and 6C : Caroline Glynn

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