

**St. Ciaran's Community School**

**Leaving Certificate Subject Choice**

**February 2019**



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**Demo Application**  
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20 Apply online by this date to avail of the discounted fee of €25  
1 Normal closing date for applications (17:15)

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### Subject Choice in Kells

Subject choice may determine the career decisions you make, so carefully choosing which subjects to study after the Junior Certificate is vitally important.

#### Basic Requirements

Almost all third level Universities and Colleges lay down basic entry requirements. Generally, you must have a pass in English, Maths and sometimes Irish and a foreign language in order to study there. These requirements even apply when the third-level course you have selected doesn't involve any further study of those subjects. For example, you will still need a pass in Maths even if you want to study Forestry! What the Universities and Colleges are really saying by imposing these requirements is that they want students to have a well-rounded and balanced education before they embark on further study.

Likewise, if you want to enter the workforce directly after school, then your employer may want to see evidence of a good overall education before they check specific subjects. Beyond these basic requirements, there can be a big difference between course requirements so it's a good idea to do some homework first (sorry!). Having said that, you're unlikely to be stuck with a specific career by choosing certain subjects.

## **Promotion of the Sciences**

STEM Promotional Brochure

STEM Video

## **Some Useful Documentation:**

Teaching Council Requirements

For a list of LVCP Subject Groupings click here.

LCVP Powerpoint Presentation here.

Colleges that do/don't accept LVCP, and Foundation Level Maths here.

For a copy of the 2019 Presentation on Subject Choice for Senior Cycle click here.

For a full outline of the Leaving Certificate Subjects available please click here.

For information on Project Maths click here.

N.U.I. Matriculation requirements here.

## **Leaving Certificate Applied:**

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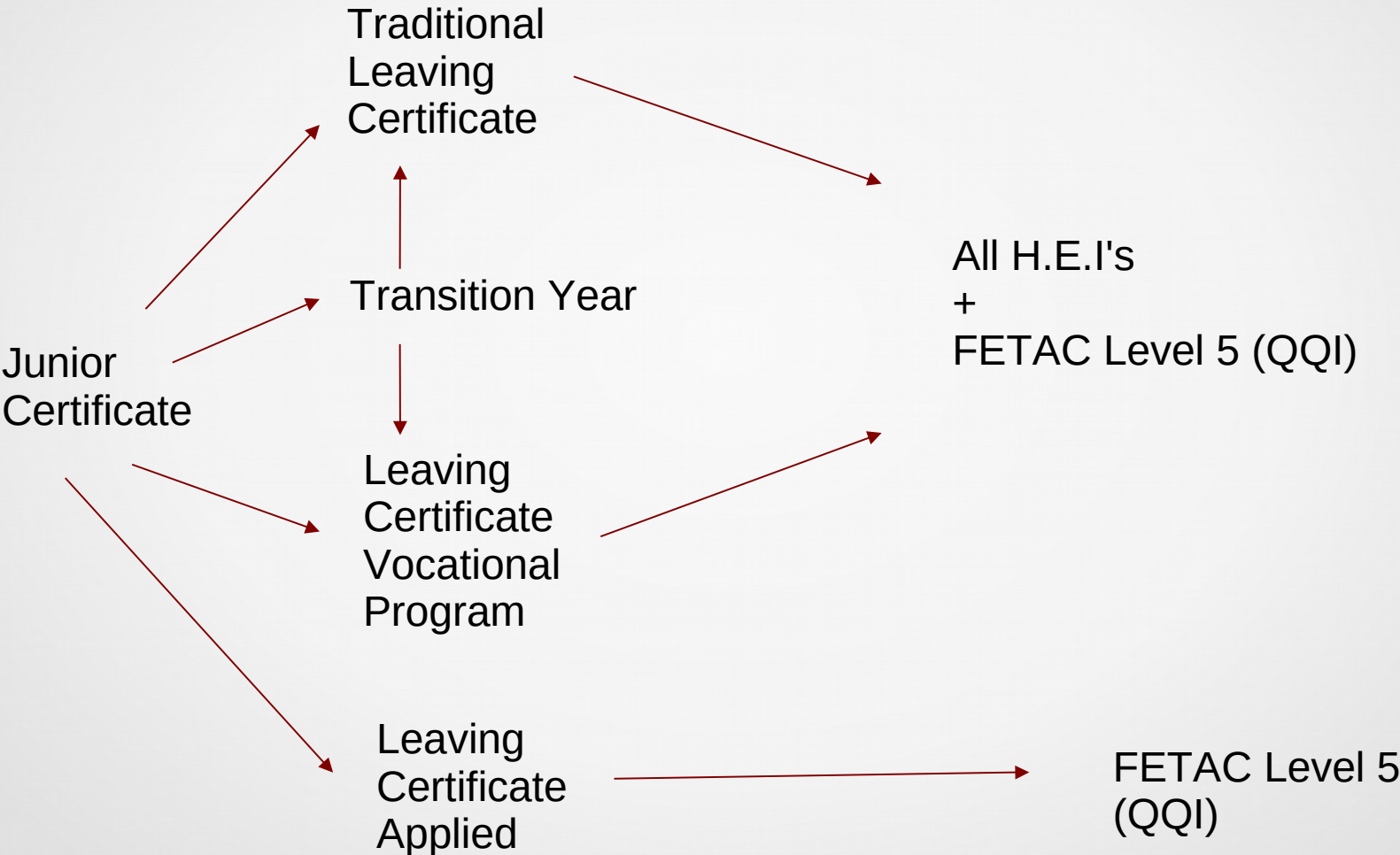
SLSS Brochure page one here. SLSS Brochure page two here.

Overview of Leaving Certificate Applied for parents here.

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# Further Study Options



<b>%</b>	<b>L.C. Grade</b>	<b>Honours</b>	<b>L.C. Grade</b>	<b>Ordinary</b>	<b>Bonus*</b>
90<100	H1	100	O1	56	25
80<90	H2	88	O2	46	25
70<80	H3	77	O3	37	25
60<70	H4	66	O4	28	25
50<60	H5	56	O5	20	25
40<50	H6	46	O6	12	25
30<40	H7	37	O7	0	0
0<30	H8	0	O8	0	0



# Sample Calculation

Subject	Level	Grade	Score
Irish	Honours	H1	<b>100</b>
English	Ordinary	O1	<b>56</b>
Maths	Honours	H3	77+25= <b>102</b>
Physics	Honours	H2	<b>88</b>
Biology	Honours	H5	<b>56</b>
D.C.G.	Ordinary	O2	46

## Accompanying Conditions:

- The **six best** results in one Leaving Certificate Examination will be counted for points computation.
- **One sitting** only of the Leaving Certificate Examination will be counted for points purposes.
- In the case of **Foundation Level Mathematics**, or **Foundation Level Irish**, some HEIs may not award the points shown. If in any doubt, check with the Admissions Office of the appropriate HEIs.
- Matriculation for **Medicine** must be completed in the year of application.

# Getting into college

General Requirements

6 Subjects

2 H5s

English, Irish &  
A Language



Specific Course Requirements

None



Points

320 Points

1300 Places



ARTS – Maynooth University

## Researching Subject Choice with Qualifax

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## Welcome to Qualifax

Qualifax is Ireland's National Learners' Database. It is the "one stop shop" for learners. We provide the most comprehensive information on further and higher education and training courses. Qualifax has developed services to ensure that you have all the information you need to make informed choices about your education, training and career paths.

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## Parents & Family

Is your son or daughter considering continuing their studies? Is an adult in your house thinking of returning to education?

There are lots of questions to consider when someone in your family is thinking of continuing or restarting their education or training. It may be your son or daughter who is making choices about what courses or programmes interest them. An adult in your house might want to return to education, be looking for ways to improve their skills or simply wishes to learn more about a hobby or leisure interest.

Regardless of who it is, Qualifax aims to help you support that person to make informed choices. Use the menu on the left hand side to find out more.

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### There are a number of useful tools

The [Points Calculator](#) is particularly relevant to students who have not yet taken their Leaving Certificate. You can enter your expected results to see how they compare to the points required by applicants in recent years.

The [Interest Assessment](#) is suitable for everyone to give an indication of areas or types of work that would match your interests.

[Minimum Subject requirements](#) provides an easy way to see the effect of taking / not taking particular subjects at Junior or Leaving Certificate.

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## Course Search - Subject Requirements Module

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## Subject Requirements Module



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Show me 3rd level courses which may or may not require the following Subject:

Any

Narrow down your list of courses using one or a combination of the following:

Only show courses from this CAO course provider:

Any

Only show courses offered in this Province:

Any

Only show courses offered in this county:

Any

Only show the course with this CAO code:

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## Select Courses To View

There is a total of 179 courses that match your search requirements.  
Please select one of the options below to view your results.

Show me the courses that:

- Definitely requires: Any Third Language- Total of 169 courses
- May require: Any Third Language - Total of 10 courses
- Does not require Any Third Language - Total of 1272 courses

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### Search Courses Results

New Search

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- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Search Criteria: Any Third Language (Definitely need subject).

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Code	Course	Course Provider
CK202	<a href="#">Accounting</a>	<a href="#">University College Cork</a>
MH403	<a href="#">Accounting &amp; Finance</a>	<a href="#">Maynooth University</a>
MH111	<a href="#">Anthropology</a>	<a href="#">Maynooth University</a>
DN500	<a href="#">Archaeology - BA - Joint Honours</a>	<a href="#">University College Dublin</a>
DN100	<a href="#">Architecture</a>	<a href="#">University College Dublin</a>
DN500	<a href="#">Art History - BA - Joint Honours</a>	<a href="#">University College Dublin</a>
GY101	<a href="#">Arts</a>	<a href="#">NUI Galway</a>
CK101	<a href="#">Arts</a>	<a href="#">University College Cork</a>
MH101	<a href="#">Arts</a>	<a href="#">Maynooth University</a>
GY118	<a href="#">Arts - Drama Theatre &amp; Performance Studies</a>	<a href="#">NUI Galway</a>

You are now presented with a list of courses that require a Third Language

You can pick one of these courses if you would like to explore the subject requirements further.



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## University College Cork

Accounting



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### ▼ Course Details

Course Name	<a href="#">Accounting</a>
Course Provider	<a href="#">University College Cork</a>
Course Code	CK202
Minimum Subjects	2 H5 & 4 O6/H7
Leaving Certificate Entry Requirements	<p>H5 in two subjects, and O6/H7 in four other subjects from Irish, English, another language, Maths and two other subjects recognised for entry purposes.</p> <p>To compete for a place as a school leaver, an applicant must satisfy the minimum entry requirements as well as any specific programme requirements, and then compete on the basis of the results obtained in their school leaving examinations.</p> <p>Applicants may combine results achieved in different sittings for the purpose of meeting the minimum entry requirements for programmes, with the exception of Medicine (CK701). However, results achieved in separate years of school-leaving exams may not be combined for the purpose of scoring points.</p> <p>Leaving Certificate applicants compete on the basis of a Points scheme.</p>

Now you have the specific requirements of an individual course.

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## What Influences Subject Choice

- Perceived as being '**easy**' or '**hard**'
- Likes/dislikes the **teacher**, or the teacher they think will be teaching them
- Friends/**parents**/significant others such as siblings
- **Needing** the subject for course/career choice after the Leaving Cert
- Being good at the subject - **attainment** in JC
- Likes/dislikes the subject - enthusiasm & **interest**

## Essential Subjects (or non-essential)

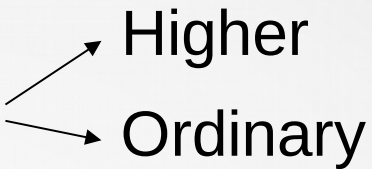
- You don't need Design and Communication Graphics to become an Architect
- You don't need Engineering to be an Engineer
- You don't need Biology to be a Nurse
- You don't need Accountancy to become an Accountant
- You don't need Business to take a Management Degree
- You don't need a Modern Language for Primary School Teaching
- You don't even need Italian to study Italian in Trinity!

## Watch for Subjects with a 'practical element'

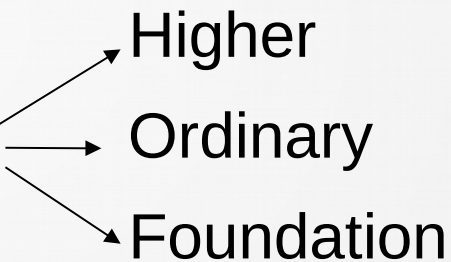
<b>Art</b>	62% practical	38% final exam
<b>Construction</b>	50% practical	50% final exam
<b>Engineering</b>	50% practical	50% final exam
<b>DCG</b>	40% practical	60% final exam
<b>History</b>	20% project	80% final exam
<b>Home Economics</b>	20% project	80% final exam
<b>Geography</b>	20% fieldtrip	80% final exam

# Obligatory Subjects

■ English

2 levels:   
Higher  
Ordinary

■ Irish\*

3 levels:   
Higher  
Ordinary  
Foundation

■ Maths

\* May have an exemption



## Optional Subjects: Five Areas

***17 subjects to choose from***

- Language
- Science
- Business
- Social Studies
- Applied Science

**CHOOSE 4**

## Language Options

- Irish
- English
- French
- German
- Latvian / Lithuanian / Polish

# Irish

A requirement for entry to UCD, Maynooth, Galway, Shannon College of Hotel Management, Royal College of Surgeons, St. Angela's College of Education, the Institute of Public Administration and UC Cork.

For entry to the Garda Siochana you must have a proven proficiency in two languages; one of which must be Irish or English

In Ireland you need a H4 or better in Honours Irish to become a primary school teacher.

Satisfies the requirement of a modern language for entry to Trinity College, and as a language, other than English, for entry to the University of Limerick (UL) and Dublin City University (DCU).

You no longer require Irish for entry to post-primary teaching, unless you want to teach in an all-Irish school, or you want to teach Irish as one of your subjects.

Remember - there are still no points for Foundation Level Irish.

# English

Check with teachers about movement from honours to ordinary level.

All universities, colleges and employers require English at pass level, other colleges will take Irish or English.

Don't fail Honours English.

Higher English is required for a handful of courses in areas such as Journalism, Multimedia, Communications, Media Studies, Legal Studies and Speech Therapy. (Psychology in UK Courses.)

# Languages

An increase in courses such as business that have a modern language as part of the course.

You may need it as a matriculation requirement for the NUI Colleges (Ordinary Level only).

You also need it if you are interested in the Cadets.

Language is obviously an important requirement for courses such as European Studies, Tourism, Languages and Marketing.

A Modern European Language is not required for Nursing, Primary School Teaching, Science, Ag. Science or Engineering even at University level. (Nor for Business & Law in NUI Maynooth.)

The best advice would be not to take a language if you have struggled with it up to now.

French and German are available. Students may also sign up for the Leaving Certificate Polish exam among others.

## Science Area

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Agricultural Science
- Applied Mathematics

## Biology / Chemistry / Physics

Courses that require a science subject include engineering and medical courses, paramedical courses such as biomedical science, dentistry, occupational therapy, pharmacy, physiotherapy, radiography and human nutrition.

You may pursue a course in, science, technology, engineering or maths at an Institute of Technology without a science subject, but ask if it might be a disadvantage.

If a career in medicine or nursing is high on your list you should think in terms of Chemistry and Biology.

Two science subjects are required for Medicine and Dentistry in Trinity College, Dublin.

Interested in engineering then Physics and Chemistry should both be considered.

Biology is desirable but not necessary for those who wish to study Nursing. Students who opt for the Biology Elective for Home Economics Training in St. Angela's must pass Biology. (Note even P.E. with Biology in DCU will accept Physics or Chemistry).

# Appliance of Science

<b>COLLEGE SUBJECTS</b>		<b>Leaving Certificate Science Subjects in order of importance to college subject</b>		
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES</b>		Biology	Chemistry	Mathematics
Biology	Horticulture			
Agriculture	Marine Biology			
<b>CHEMICAL SCIENCES</b>		Chemistry	Mathematics	Physics
Chemistry	Biochemistry			
Chem. Engineering	Medicinal Chem.			
<b>PHYSICAL SCIENCES</b>		Physics	Mathematics	Chemistry
Physics	Astronomy			
Electronics	Computing			
<b>ENGINEERING</b>		Mathematics	Physics	Chemistry
Civil	Mechanical			
Aeronautical	Electrical			
<b>MEDICAL SCIENCES</b>		Chemistry	Biology	Physics
Pharmacy	Nursing			
Ophthalmic Optics	Nutrition			
<b>MEDICINE / DENTISTRY</b>		Chemistry	Physics	Biology
Medicine	Dentistry			
Vet. Medicine				

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## Maths / Applied Maths

Mathematics is a requirement for a great number of jobs and courses.

A grade O3 or better in Ordinary Level Maths is required for many Science or Commerce courses at University. This reflects the level of Mathematics that has to be studied as part of the course.

Maths is required by relatively few courses (57), the majority of which are Honours Engineering Degrees.

Foundation Maths is acceptable for many Careers. Some Colleges will allow it where no Maths is involved in the course, but may not award any points for it. Some employers will accept it for apprenticeships. Most PLC courses will also accept it, the exceptions being Accounting Technician and Pre-University courses.

Foundation Maths is acceptable for places on Arts, Music, Social Science and Law Degrees in the N.U.I. Colleges, as well as small number of courses in DCU.

Honours Applied Maths fulfills the Honours Maths requirement for Engineering & Computing courses in DCU.

## Business Area

- Accounting\*
- Business
- Economics

*Not compulsory for any Business,  
Management or Commerce course at  
third level*

*\* One exception Commerce & Accounting in N.U.I. Galway*

## Social Studies

- History
- Geography
- Art
- Music

# History / Geography

## HISTORY

Even though history is not essential for entry to any third-level course, nonetheless, the study of history contributes enormously to an all-round education.

Very helpful for the study of Law, Politics or Journalism.

## GEOGRAPHY:

Although Geography is not essential for entry to third-level courses, in Trinity College it is accepted as one of the H5 grades for entry to both Science and Pharmacy. While in UCD Geography may be used as a laboratory science subject for entry to Science / Archaeology & Geology programmes.

# Art / History

ART (including Crafts):

Although art is not specified as an entry requirement for **all** Colleges of Art, a portfolio of work is an essential element for application.

Many students take a year out to complete a portfolio preparation course in order to try and enhance their chances of getting a place in Art College.

National College of Art and Design require a pass in Art or a language.

## MUSIC

At the moment Music can only be taken as a subject outside of school.

If you intend to study music at third level you need to check to see which courses specify a grade in music.

Expect to be asked to attend a special music test or audition if applying for courses in Music.

Watch for Irish Music & Dance in UL.

## Applied Science

- Engineering
- Design & Communication Graphics
- Construction Studies
- Home Economics (Scientific & Social)

# Home Economics

**Search Criteria: Subject Home Economics. (Might need subject).**

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Code	Course	Course Provider
DT405	<a href="#"><u>Culinary Science</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>TU Dublin - Dublin City Campus</u></a>
AS003	<a href="#"><u>Education Home Economics &amp; Irish with concurrent Teacher Education</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>St. Angela's College Sligo</u></a>
AS002	<a href="#"><u>Education Home Economics &amp; Religious Education with concurrent Teacher Education</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>St. Angela's College Sligo</u></a>
DT421	<a href="#"><u>Food Innovation</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>TU Dublin - Dublin City Campus</u></a>
DT424	<a href="#"><u>Food Science &amp; Management</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>TU Dublin - Dublin City Campus</u></a>
DT219	<a href="#"><u>Ophthalmic Dispensing</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>TU Dublin - Dublin City Campus</u></a>

CAO Code	Programme Title	Programme Entry Requirements						Points (minimum)		Approx No of Places 2019
		Irish	English	Other Language	Maths	Laboratory Science Subject	Additional Matric Subjects	2018 Round 2	2017 Final	
DN100	Architecture <sup>(1)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7		2	490	486	54
DN120	Landscape Architecture	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	354	348	25
DN130	City Planning and Environmental Policy	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	362	N/A	25
DN150	Engineering <sup>(2)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7		H4	H6 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	509*	489	260
DN200	Science <sup>(2)(5)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6	O2/H6 <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	2	519	505	400
DN201	Computer Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6		3	477	466	105
DN230	Actuarial and Financial Studies	O6/H7	O6/H7		H2		3	566	577	47
DN250	Agricultural Science <sup>(6)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	451	454	175
DN252	Dairy Business	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	429	401	22
DN253	Agri-Environmental Sciences	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	397	408	26
DN261	Food Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	484	462	45
DN262	Human Nutrition	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	521	498	33
DN271	Forestry	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	321	292	15
DN272	Horticulture, Landscape & Sportsturf Management	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	AQA	228	15
DN300	Veterinary Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) <sup>(7)(8)(9)(10)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	Chemistry H5	1	555*	555*	82
DN301	Veterinary Medicine (Graduate Entry) <sup>(8)(9)(10)</sup>	See <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/grad_entry">www.ucd.ie/grad_entry</a> for details								5
DN310	Veterinary Nursing	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	465*	467	44
DN400	Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) <sup>(8)(11)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	1	732*	734	90
DN401	Medicine (Graduate Entry) <sup>(8)(10)</sup>	See <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/grad_entry">www.ucd.ie/grad_entry</a> for details						58*	59*	77
DN410	Radiography	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	1	507	498*	97
DN420	Physiotherapy <sup>(10)</sup>	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	1	552*	552	56
DN425	Health & Performance Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	487*	496	40



# Skill shortages



- **Professionals/associate professionals**
  - ICT (software developers, cloud, databases/big data, testing, security, technical support, networking and infrastructure)
  - Engineering (production, process, quality, validation, product design/development, electronic, electrical, mechanical and chemical)
  - Science (analytical development chemist, formulation scientist, microbiologist, QC analyst/validation technician)
  - Business & finance (risk, compliance, accounting, business intelligence, data analytics)
  - Health (doctors, nurses, radiographers, niche area specialists (e.g. prosthetists, radiation therapists, audiologists), managers)
  - Construction (surveyors, project managers)
- **Clerical** (multilingual financial clerks in fund accounting/administration, credit controllers, payroll specialists)
- **Skilled trades** (chefs, tool making, welding (TIG, MIG), butchers/de-boners, steel-erector)
- **Sales** (technical sales, multilingual customer support)
- **Operatives** (CNC, drivers (fork lift and special vehicle))
- **Retention issues** (care. chefs. butchers/de-boners. elementary)

# Advice

- Select your **6 best** for points
- If you have a **specific career** in mind, check out the exact requirements
- Where possible start with **Honours Level**
- Your choices should not totally depend on which **teacher** is teaching a certain subject
- The Leaving Certificate is a **full-time two year** course
- Where a mistake is made **rectify** it as soon as possible
- **Beware** of the 'easy' and 'hard' subject

# More Advice

- Talk to students studying subjects at the moment
- Talk to teachers of the subject
- Look at a copy of the textbook
- Look at a copy of the Leaving Certificate Exam Papers for the subject in question

And Finally...

Any  
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