St. Ciarán's Community School

Junior Cycle Subject Choice

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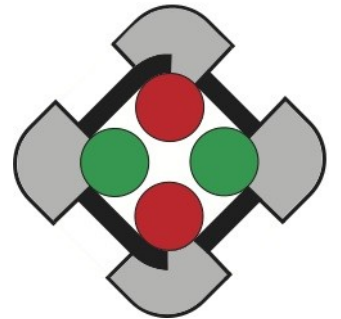
Motivation is a better indicator of Academic Success than I.Q.

ST CIARÁN'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL
OMNES VIRTUTEM SEQUENTES

1st Year Option Form

1.	Three blocks of options are provided.
2.	Please must choose **one** subject from **each** block.
3.	No subject may be chosen more than once.
4.	Students **must** pick a reserve subject.
5.	A student may choose **any subject** as a reserve.
6.	This survey must be completed on or before: **9am Tuesday 12th of September.**

Option 1	
Subject	
Home Economics	
French	
Graphics	
Music	
Science	

Option 2	
Subject	
Business	
German	
Art	
Science	
Wood Technology	

Option 3	
Subject	
Home Economics	
Science	
Wood Technology	
Engineering	
Business	

Reserve Subject

Click here to choose 1st year option subjects.

Useful Websites

guidanceoffice.info
curriculumonline.ie
qualifax.ie
careersportal.ie

www.guidanceoffice.info

Click Here

Guidance Office

HOME | C.A.O. F.A.Q. | SUBJECT CHOICE | APPRENTICESHIPS |
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TRANSITION YEAR | SENIOR CYCLE CLASS WORK | SCHEMES OF WORK

St. Ciaran's Community School
Guidance Department

email: info@guidanceoffice.info

Remember The Basics!

Talk to students studying the subject at the moment

Talk to teachers of the subject

Look at a copy of the textbook

Look at a copy of the Leaving Cert Exam papers for the subject

If you made a mistake, rectify it as soon as possible.

Helpful Internet Sites

www.examinations.ie: Copies of the exam papers on-line.

www.cao.ie: You can search for any course by name.

www.qualifax.ie: A database of thousands of courses.

www.careersportal.ie: An online database of courses, helpful videos and career information.

Here

First Year Subject Choice

Letter to Parents / Guardians from the Guidance Counsellor here.

Guidelines on how to use Qualifax to find the requirements around certain subjects.

Copy of the Option Form for First Year Subject Choice here. (MOCK VERSION!)

Copy of Presentation given to First Years in class here.

A link to the list of factsheets on the subjects available to Junior Cert students here.

www.curriculumonline.ie

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curriculum online

Early Childhood   Primary   Junior Cycle   Senior Cycle

Search Curriculum Online

Welcome to curriculumonline

Here you will find all curriculum documentation and supporting material for the Irish curriculum for children from the ages 1 – 6 (Aistear), pupils from the ages 5 – 12 (primary), students from the ages 12 -15 (junior cycle) and the ages 16 – 18 (senior cycle).

Click Here for more information

You can look at each individual subject

Business Studies

Welcome to Junior Cycle Business Studies.

This new specification for Junior Cycle Business Studies covers teaching, learning and assessment in business studies for the first, second and third years in post-primary school.

The specification focuses on improving students' understanding of the business environment and on developing skills for life, work and further study through the three inter-connected strands: Personal Finance , Enterprise and Our Economy .

Report on Early Enactment of JC Science and Business Studies

Specification

Click on the graphic below:

Curriculum Specification

Assessment Guidelines

Examples of Student Work

Sample Questions

CBA Revised Arrangements

To research which courses require which subjects and at what grade go to www.qualifax.ie

Qualifax
THE NATIONAL LEARNERS' DATABASE

Home	Students	Adult learners	Guidance professionals	Parents / Family	News	NFQ	My Account

Students Information

Are you looking for the widest range of education and training programmes? Are you considering further

Adult Learners

Thinking of returning to education / training? Qualifax has all the information you need about a wide

Guidance Professionals

There is specific information and materials available to support your work with others.

Parents & Family

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

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.

Your Browser

The Qualifax site is best viewed using Internet Explorer 7, or higher. Using other browsers may not work properly or may lead to unpredictable results.

Search all Courses

Take an Interest Assessment

Check a Qualification

To search for Subject Requirements for specific courses: Click Here

Search Higher Education CAO Results

Showing **1** to **39** of **39** results for
Keywords/Course Title: **Architecture**, Course Type: **Higher Education CAO**

[New Search] [Refine Search]

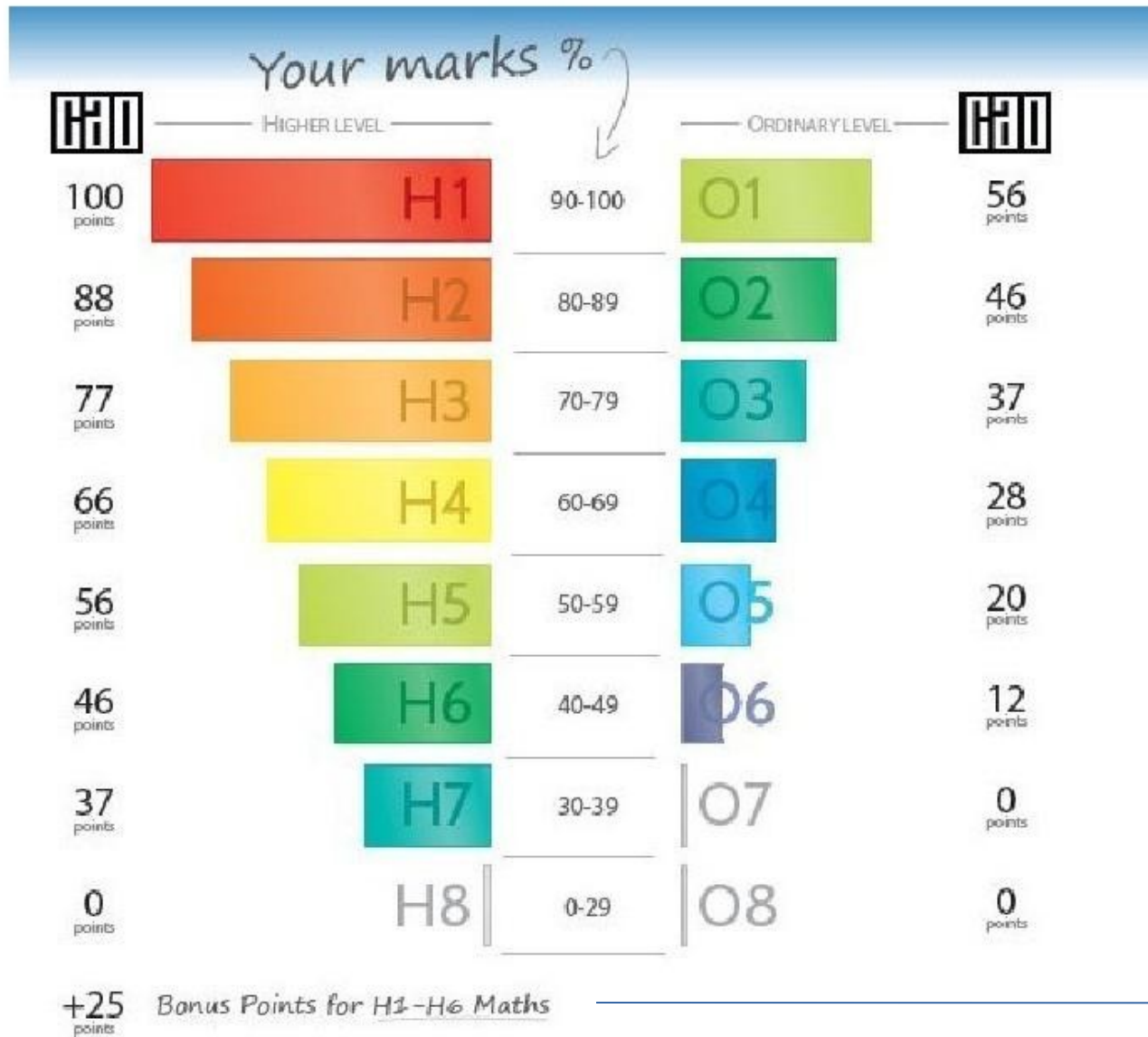| Compare	Tag All	Code	Course	Course Provider	NFQ Level	Points
☐	⭐ Tag	SG347	Architecture	ATU - Sligo Campuses and ATU - Atlantic Technological University	Level 8 NFQ	420
☐	⭐ Tag	WD144	Architecture	SETU - Waterford Campus and SETU - South East Technological University	Level 8 NFQ	374
☐	⭐ Tag	DN100	Architecture	University College Dublin	Level 8 NFQ	556
☐	⭐ Tag	LM099	Architecture	University of Limerick	Level 8 NFQ	532
☐	⭐ Tag	TU832	Architecture - Bolton Street	TU Dublin - City Campus and TU Dublin - Technological University Dublin	Level 8 NFQ	645
☐	⭐ Tag	GC489	Architecture - Interior Architecture	Griffith College Dublin	Level 8 NFQ	264
☐	⭐ Tag	TR113	Ancient History & Archaeology & History of Art & Architecture	Trinity College Dublin	Level 8 NFQ	
☐	⭐ Tag	CK606	Architecture - Offered jointly by UCC & MTU	University College Cork and MTU - Cork Campuses	Level 8 NFQ	544
☐	⭐ Tag	TR231	Classical Languages & History of Art & Architecture	Trinity College Dublin	Level 8 NFQ	

Click on course for more detail

Apply To	CAO
Attendance Options	Full time, Daytime
Location (Districts)	Ballinode, Sligo Town
Qualification Letters	BArch (Hons)
Duration	5 years.
Specific Subjects or Course Requirements	Four grade O6/H7 and two grade H5. Leaving Certificate subjects must include Mathematics* and English or Irish. We require a minimum of 160 points for all Level 8 courses.
Leaving Certificate General Entry Requirements	+Bonus Points for Maths 25 additional points will be awarded for higher level Mathematics at grades H6 and above. * Some courses do not require Mathematics as an entry requirement, while others have certain exemptions or honours requirements – p...
Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme LCVP	LCVP LCVP modules can be counted as one of the passes required when considering LCE entry requirements for IT Sligo courses. CAO points are awarded as follows: Level Points Distinction 66 Merit 46 Pass 28
QQI FET Applicants General Information	Points A full QQI FET/FETAC Level 5 or 6 major award will have a minimum credit value of 120. Component awards, or achievement of less than 120 credits, do not constitute a full award. All QQI FET/FETAC Level 5 and Level 6 awards will be scored using the best 120 credits to deliver a maximum of 390 points regardless of whether they were achieved before or after the introduction of CAS. The scoring process is outlined on the CAO website at www.CAO.ie
QQI FET Entry Requirements	Web Page - Click Here

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Expand

These are the specific requirements of this course in this college

Leaving Cert Points

Your marks %

CAO HIGHER LEVEL			ORDINARY LEVEL	CAO
100 points	H1	90-100	O1	56 points
88 points	H2	80-89	O2	46 points
77 points	H3	70-79	O3	37 points
66 points	H4	60-69	O4	28 points
56 points	H5	50-59	O5	20 points
46 points	H6	40-49	O6	12 points
37 points	H7	30-39	O7	0 points
0 points	H8	0-29	O8	0 points

+25 points   Bonus Points for H1–H6 Maths

Higher Grades

More Points

More Choices

Honours Maths

An example of how this works in the real world.

University College Dublin – Summary Entry Requirements

This table is a summary of entry and matriculation requirements for school-leavers. **Any changes in requirements will be updated @ www.ucd.ie/lc**).
Please note: For some courses particular subjects, while not required, are recommended – please see the prospectus for full details
Course details are published in the UCD Undergraduate Prospectus 2023, available online at www.myucd.ie or hard copy on request from
https://myucd.ucd.ie/request/requestInfo.do For contact details and Frequently Asked Questions, please see www.ucd.ie/admissions

As cut-off points are determined by the school-leaving results of applicants, it is not possible to forecast the points which will be required for entry in 2023.

CAO Code	Course Title	Course Entry Requirements						Minimum Points		Approx Places 2023
		Irish	English	Other Language	Maths	Laboratory Science Subject	Additional Matric Subjects	2022 Round 1	2021 Final	
DN100	Architecture	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7		2	556	553	57
DN120	Landscape Architecture	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	455	430	27
DN130	City Planning and Environmental Policy	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	455	420	29
DN150	Engineering	O6/H7	O6/H7		H4	H6[1]	2	577	556*	265
DN200	Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6	O2/H6[1]	2	566	566	420
DN201	Computer Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6		3	567	542*	115
DN230	Actuarial and Financial Studies	O6/H7	O6/H7		H2		3	613	613	50
DN240	Sustainability	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6		3	543	506	80
DN250	Agricultural Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	2	400	440	280
DN261	Food Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	2	510	522	47
DN262	Human Nutrition	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	2	554	566	34
DN300	Veterinary Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) [2][3]	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	Chemistry H5	1	601*	601*	82
DN301	Veterinary Medicine (Graduate Entry) [3][4]	See **www.ucd.ie/grad_entry** for details								5
DN310	Veterinary Nursing	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	2	500	486	44
DN400	Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) [3][5]	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	1	743	743*	90
DN401	Medicine (Graduate Entry) [3][4]	See **www.ucd.ie/grad_entry** for details								77
DN410	Radiography	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	1	556	565*	98
DN411	Radiography (Graduate Entry) [4]	See **www.ucd.ie/grad_entry** for details								20
DN420	Physiotherapy [4]	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	1	601	601*	56
DN425	Health & Performance Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	2	544	541	40
DN430	Sport and Exercise Management	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7[1]	2	476	473	40

Don't Get Stuck with Non-Essential Subjects

- 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 Chinese to study Chinese Studies in Maynooth University!

Obligatory Subjects

English
Irish*
Maths

3 levels:

Higher
Ordinary
Foundation
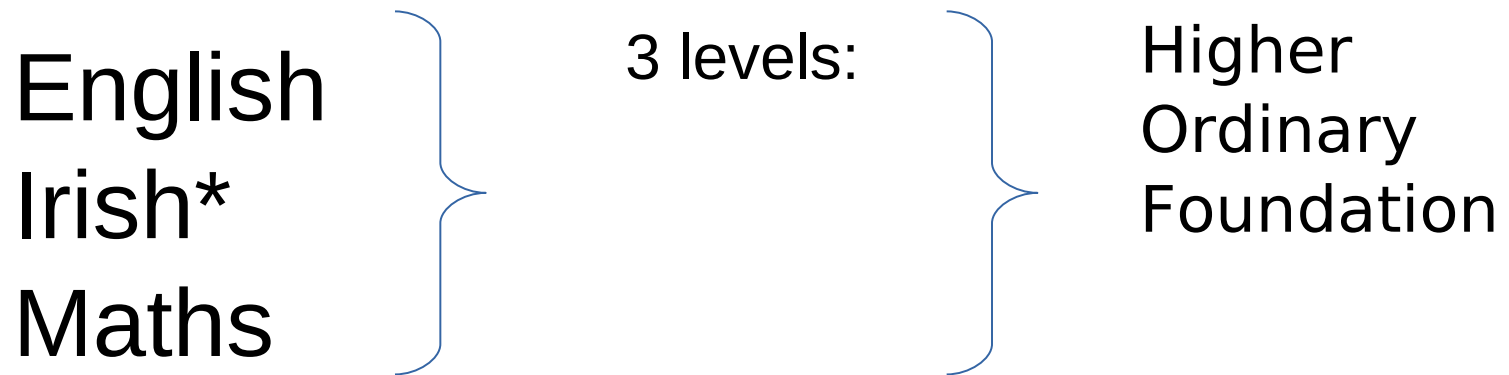
Plus – Two 100 Hour Short Courses in P.E. + Digital Media Literacy

* May have an exemption

Language Options

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

* Later Leaving Certificate Options taken outside of school

Other Options

- Metalwork
- Wood Technology
- Home Economics
- Art
- Graphics
- Business
- Science
- Music

ADVICE

- Select your <u>best</u> (for points)

- If you have a specific career in mind, check the exact requirements

- Beware of the 'easy' and 'hard' subject

- Where possible stick with Honours Level

- Your choices should not totally depend on which teacher is teaching a certain subject

- The Junior Certificate is a full-time three year course

- Where a mistake is made rectify it as soon as possible

What must be done

- Talk to students studying subjects at the moment

- Reflect on your experience so far

- Talk to teachers of the subject

- Look at a copy of the textbook

The Top Growth Industries in Ireland today

Most of the job search engines, career sites and economists agree that the top growth industries include:

I.C.T.	**Medical Devices**	**Agri-Food**	**Finance**
Healthcare	**Languages**	**Accounting**	**Supply Chain Management**