

St. Ciaran's Community School

Leaving Certificate Subject Choice

March 2025



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27/11/2013 185 new jobs announced with 3 diverse companies
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List of courses accepting Foundation level Maths here. (September 2020)

List of country-wide careers events for Senior Cycle students here.
The Leaving Cert Results Are Out - What Now? (2020 Edition) Here.
Eligibility Reckoner for Maintenance Grants here.

List of Nationwide events for interested Senior Cycle students here.

A reminder to 6th Years that the 'CAO App' is available on itunes and google play.

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Apply on-line before 20th January for a reduced fee of €25.

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Click here for demonstration videos, guides and answers to frequently asked questions.

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Try the online Demo Application to become more familiar with the application process.

Important Dates:
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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Senior Cycle Subject Choice:

Teaching Council Requirements (for those who wish to register as a Secondary School Teacher after 2017 Version)

Teaching Council Requirements (for those who wish to register as a Secondary School Teacher after 2023 Version)

LCVP Powerpoint Presentation here.

For a copy of the 2025 Presentation on Subject Choice for Senior Cycle click here.

Video of 2024 Subject Choice Presentation here.

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

For a brief overview of Leaving Certificate Subjects please click here.

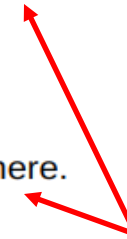
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N.U.I. Matriculation requirements here.

Senior Cycle Subject Choice Cheat Sheet here.

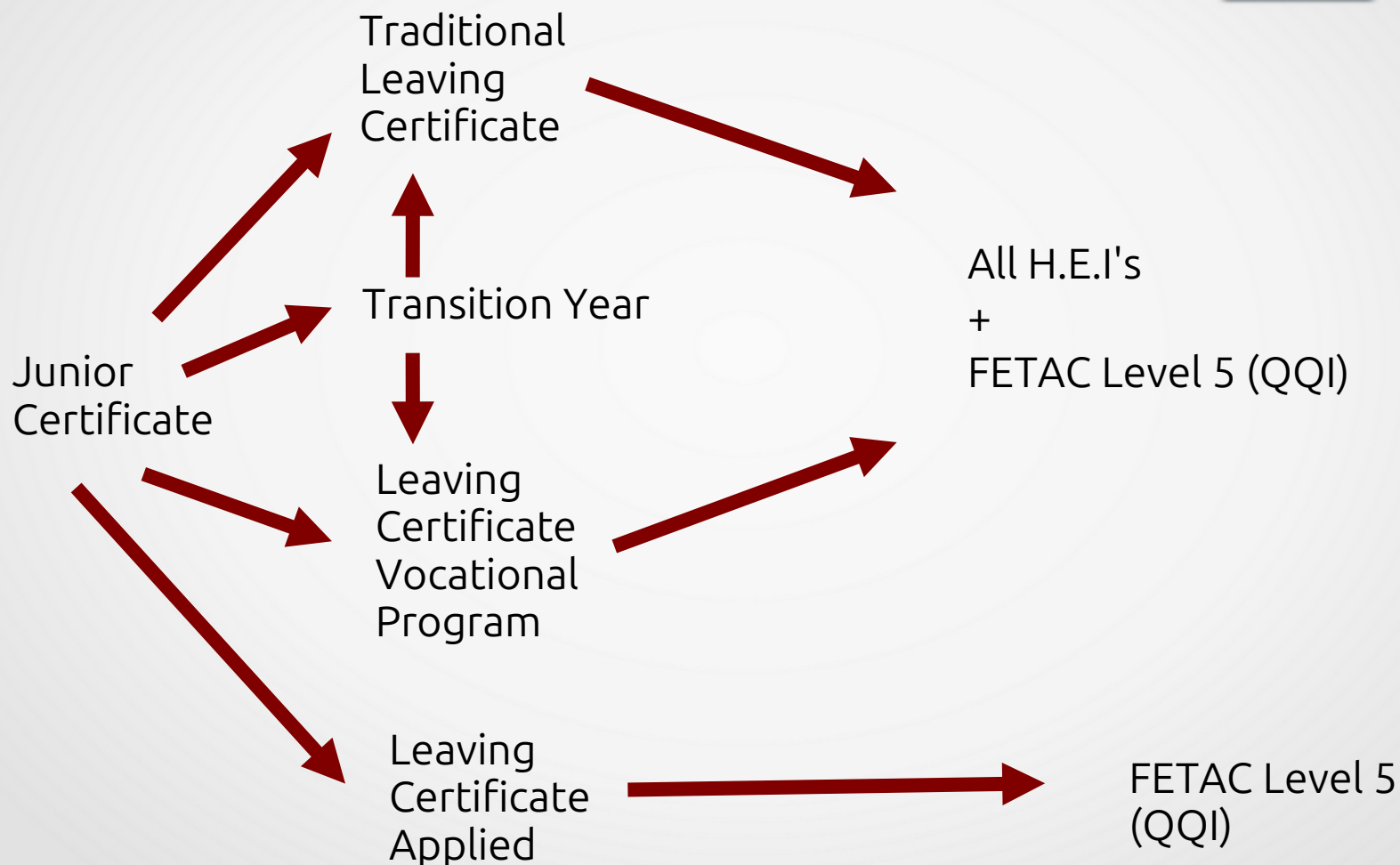
Narrow your choices worksheets here.

Points System 2024 here.



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Further Study Options





Points

Higher

Your % marks

Ordinary



Points



+25 Bonus points for H1-H6 maths

LCVP Recognition

INSTITUTES OF TECHNOLOGY / TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITIES / UNIVERSITIES

Distinction (80-100%) 66 points

Merit (65-79%) 46 points

Pass (50 - 64%) 28 points

Foundation Level Maths Recognition

F1	20	90 – 100%
F2	12	80 – 89%

Ensure it is recognised by the HEI you are applying to.

Sample Calculation

Subject	Level	Grade	Score
Irish	Honours	H1	100
English	Ordinary	O1	56
Maths	Honours	H3	77+25= 102
Physics	Honours	H2	88
Biology	Honours	H5	56
D.C.G.	Ordinary	O2	46
German	Honours	H5	56
Add the 6 best scores shown in RED			Points = 458

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 – 3 Doors

General Requirements

6 Subjects

2 H5s

English, Irish &
A Language



Specific Course Requirements

None



Points

307 Points

1300 + Places



ARTS – Maynooth University (MH101)

Researching Subject Choice with Qualifax

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CAO subject requirements



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Subject Requirements Tool

Planning to make application to the CAO? This tool will help you choose the right subjects and levels at Leaving Cert.

Subject

- Select -



Advanced filters



Please select a subject from the subject dropdown on the left.

All courses referred to in this section are Third Level CAO entry. The Course Data in this section is for the CAO entry in 2025

"A Science Subject" includes the following subjects:
Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Physics and Chemistry.

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- 1375 courses do not require A Third Language

Total: 1551



Advanced filters 

Indicate your choice and click view courses

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Courses that definitely require A Third Language

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFO NFQ Type: Major DN520

Joint Honours - Irish Studies

University College Dublin
 Belfield
 CAO Points: 419

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFO NFQ Type: Major DN520

Joint Honours - Sociology

University College Dublin
 Belfield
 CAO Points: 419

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFO NFQ Type: Major CK202

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.

Specific Subjects or course requirements

Leaving Certificate entry requirements:

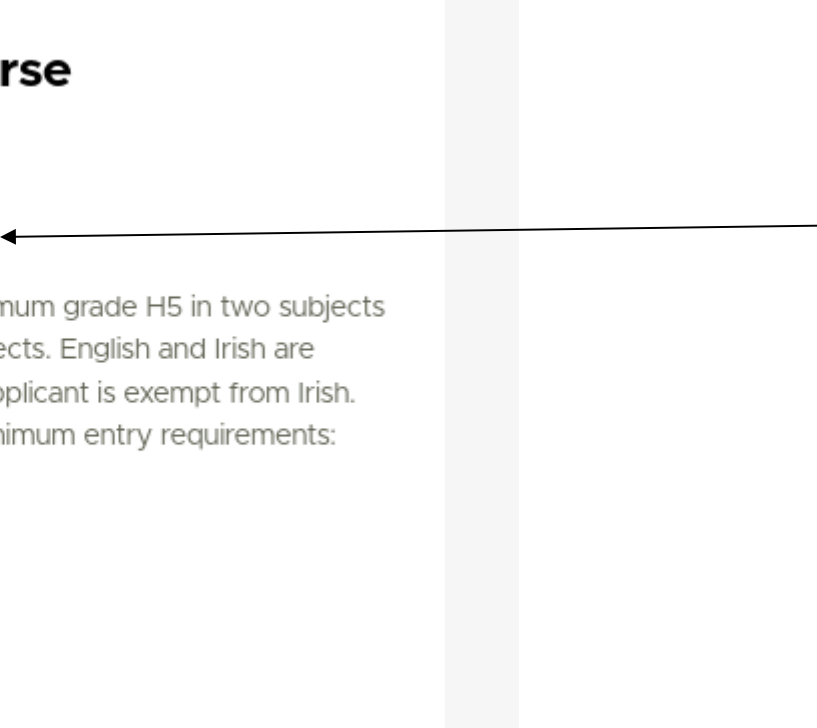
At Least six subjects must be presented. Minimum grade H5 in two subjects and minimum grade O6/H7 in four other subjects. English and Irish are requirements for all programmes unless the applicant is exempt from Irish. Applicants will need to meet the following minimum entry requirements:

English O6/H7

Irish O6/H7

Maths O6/H7

Other Language O6/H7



Now you have the specific requirements of an individual course.

School

All Leaving Cert Subjects

Useful Subject Tips

Guide to Choosing Subjects

Subjects & Career Choice

Subjects by Grade Explored

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Leaving Cert Subjects

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Practical Group

These subjects are 'hands-on' and involve working with tools and machinery on physical things like wood, metals and plastic. They may involve designing, planning and building things.

Construction Studies

Engineering

Technology

Science Group

These subjects demonstrate how to explore nature using carefully planned methods, and teach the basic methods and findings of scientific investigation.

Agricultural Science

Applied Maths

Biology

Chemistry

Mathematics

Physics

Physics and Chemistry

Computer Science



Aoife McEleavy, Manufacturing Engineer

What subjects did you take in school and how have these influenced your career path?

In school I studied Tech Design and absolutely loved the subject. I also studied several engineering courses in School. From there, I went onto University of Ulster to study Design Engineering. At the time I thought it was the only option of study for me but I soon realised it wasn't my favourite part of the engineering industry. It's good to explore the practical subjects available in school as well as the tech subjects. they include extremely

What Influences Subject Choice

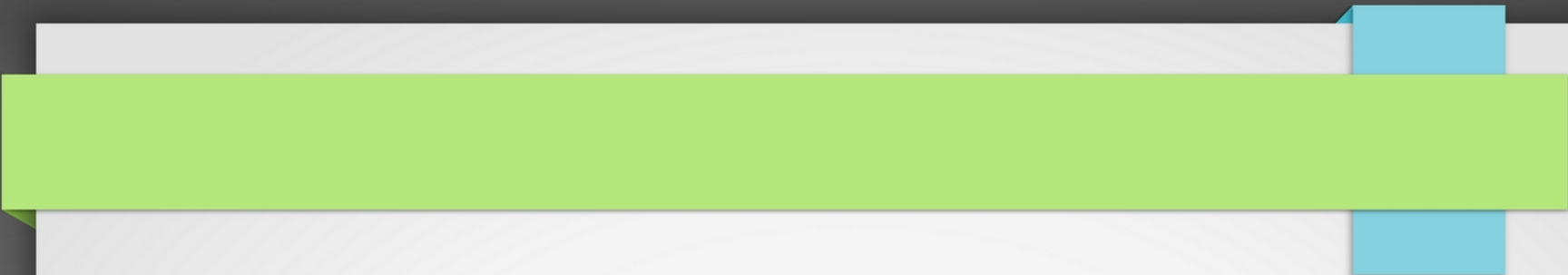
- Perception of '**easy**' or '**hard**' subjects
- Like/dislike the **teacher**, or the teacher they think will be teaching them
- Friends/**parents**/significant others such as siblings
- **Needing** the subject for course/career choice after the Leaving Cert
- Being good at the subject – **attainment** 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'

Art	62% practical	38% final exam
Construction	50% practical	50% final exam
Engineering	50% practical	50% final exam
DCG	40% practical	60% final exam
History	20% project	80% final exam
Home Economics	20% project	80% final exam
Geography	20% fieldtrip	80% final exam
Economics	20% project	80% final exam
Applied Maths	20% project	80% final exam



Tranche 1 subjects will be introduced to the curriculum for all schools in 2025 and are set out here:

Tranche 1 subjects

Ancient Greek

Arabic

Biology

Business

Chemistry

Climate Action and Sustainable Development

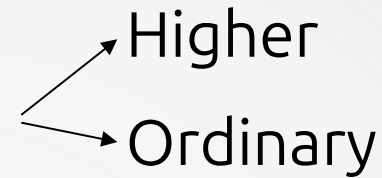
Drama, Film and Theatre Studies

Latin

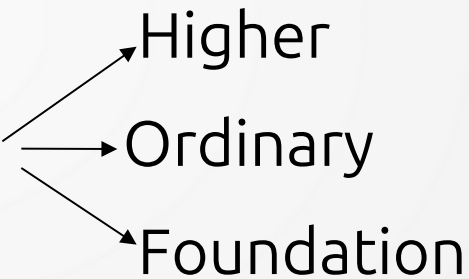
Physics

Obligatory Subjects

■ English

2 levels: 
Higher
Ordinary

■ Irish*

3 levels: 
Higher
Ordinary
Foundation

■ Maths

* May have an exemption

Optional Subjects: Five Areas

19 subjects to choose from

- Languages
- Sciences
- Business
- Social Studies
- Applied Sciences

CHOOSE 4

Language Options

- Irish
- English
- French
- German
- Latvian / Lithuanian / Polish /
Russian / Croatian / Romanian

Irish

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

For entry to the Garda Siochana you must have a proven proficiency in either Irish or English. (Foundation Level Irish is not acceptable.)

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).

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

English

Check with teachers about movement from honours to ordinary level.

Most 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 some courses 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 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 or Technical University 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 (preferably both).

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

COLLEGE SUBJECTS

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES	
Biology	Horticulture
Agriculture	Marine Biology
CHEMICAL SCIENCES	
Chemistry	Biochemistry
Chem. Engineering	Medicinal Chem.
PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
Physics	Astronomy
Electronics	Computing
ENGINEERING	
Civil	Mechanical
Aeronautical	Electrical
MEDICAL SCIENCES	
Pharmacy	Nursing
Ophthalmic Optics	Nutrition
MEDICINE / DENTISTRY	
Medicine	Dentistry
Vet. Medicine	



Leaving Certificate Science Subjects in order of importance to college subject

1	2	3
Biology	Chemistry	Mathematics
Chemistry	Mathematics	Physics
Physics	Mathematics	Chemistry
Mathematics	Physics	Chemistry
Chemistry	Biology	Physics
Chemistry	Physics	Biology

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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 (71), 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, an exception being Accounting Technician and some Pre-University courses. **Not acceptable for the Gardai.**

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 requires Accounting as a subject. (H4)*

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 / Music

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.

Applied Science

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

Home Economics

Courses that may require Home Economics

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFG NFG Type: Major AU985

Education Home Economics & Biology with concurrent Teacher Education - Second Level Teaching - Sligo St. Angela's

ATU - St. Angela's
Alternative provider: ATU - Atlantic Technological University
Sligo Town
CAO Points: 510 ⓘ

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFG NFG Type: Major MI022

Education Home Economics & Business Studies - Second Level Teaching - Thurles

Mary Immaculate College - Thurles Campus
Alternative provider: Mary Immaculate College
Thurles
CAO Points: 531

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFG NFG Type: Major AU987

Education Home Economics & Irish with concurrent Teacher Education - Second Level Teaching - Sligo St. Angela's

ATU - St. Angela's
Alternative provider: ATU - Atlantic Technological University
Sligo Town
CAO Points: 429 ⓘ

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFG NFG Type: Major AU986

Education Home Economics & Religious Education with concurrent Teacher Education - Second Level Teaching - Sligo St. Angela's

ATU - St. Angela's
Alternative provider: ATU - Atlantic Technological University
Sligo Town
CAO Points: 424

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFG NFG Type: Major TU881

Food Science - Grangegorman

TU Dublin - Technological University Dublin
Grangegorman
CAO Points: 330

Higher Education CAO Level 8 NFG NFG Type: Major MT930

Home Economics & Business - Cork

MTU - Cork Campuses
Alternative provider: MTU - Munster Technological University
Cork City
CAO Points: 495

Higher Education CAO Level 7 NFG NFG Type: Major TU761

Ophthalmic Dispensing - Grangegorman

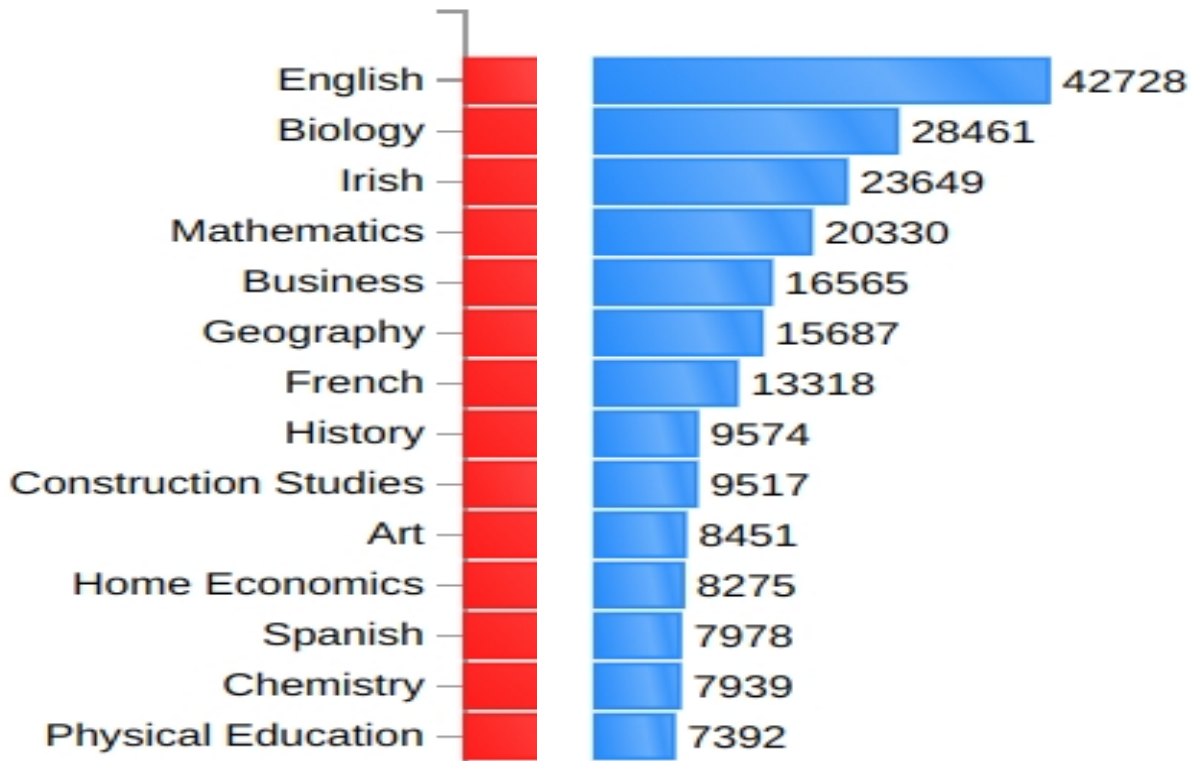
TU Dublin - Technological University Dublin
Grangegorman
CAO Points: 316

Higher Education CAO Level 6 NFG NFG Type: Major TU654

Pharmacy Technician Studies - Grangegorman

TU Dublin - Technological University Dublin
Grangegorman
CAO Points: 288

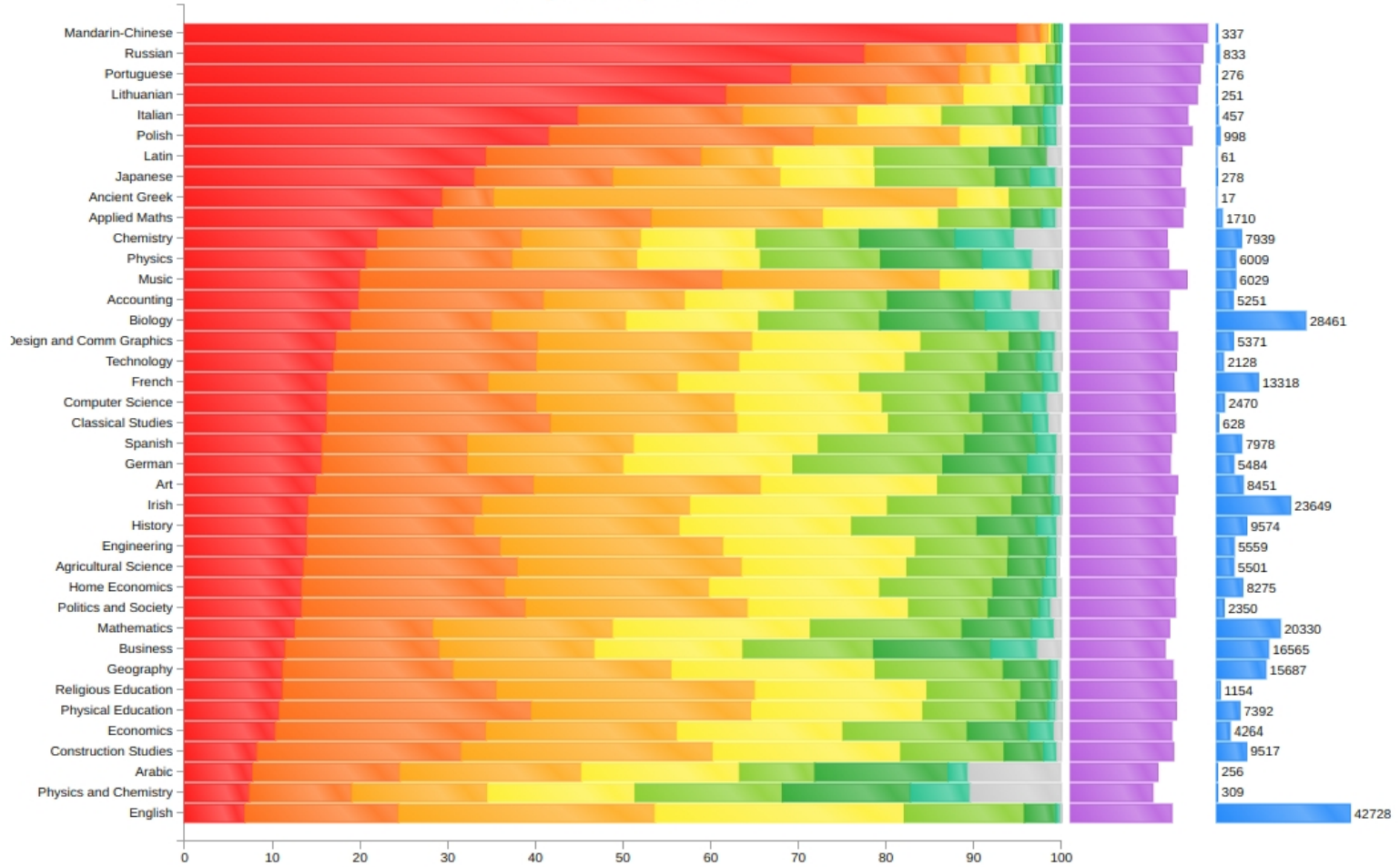
Popularity of Leaving Certificate Honours Subjects





Subject Grades Explorer

Leaving Certificate Higher Level 2024



Sort By:

- Subject Name
- Average Points
- Candidates

Sort By Grades:

- H1 (A1)
- H2 (A2-B1)
- H3 (B2-B3)
- H4 (C1-C2)
- H5 (C3-D1)
- H6 (D2-D3)
- H7 (30-39%)
- H8 (0-29%)

Sort By Grade Bracket:

- H1-H2
- H1-H3
- H1-H4
- H1-H5
- Pass
- 0-29

Change Year:

- 2024
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 2020
- 2019
- 2018
- 2017
- 2016
- 2015
- 2014
- 2013
- 2012
- 2011

Change Level:

- Higher
- Ordinary

Real World Example



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 –see the prospectus for full details

Course details are published in the UCD Undergraduate Prospectus 2025, available online at www.myucd.ie

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 2025

CAO Code	Course Title	Course Entry Requirements					Minimum Points		Approx Places 2025	
		Irish	English	Other Language	Maths	Laboratory Science Subject	Additional Matric Subjects	2024 Round 2		2023 Final
DN100	Architecture	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	552	566*	57
DN120	Landscape Architecture	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	474	477	28
DN130	City Planning and Environmental Policy	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7		3	477	487	31
DN150	Engineering	O6/H7	O6/H7		H4	H6 ⁽¹⁾	2	568	567	285
DN200	Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6	O2/H6 ⁽¹⁾	2	544	555	420
DN201	Computer Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6		3	533*	558	105
DN230	Actuarial and Financial Studies	O6/H7	O6/H7		H2		3	613*	613	50
DN240	Sustainability	O6/H7	O6/H7		O2/H6		3	531	529	70
DN250	Agricultural Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	400	400	250
DN261	Food Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	490	487	47
DN262	Human Nutrition	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	532	533	34
DN300	Veterinary Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	Chemistry H5	1	589*	589	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	481	518	44
DN400	Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) ^{(3) (5)}	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	1	735	735*	121
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	554*	544*	98
DN411	Diagnostic Radiography (Graduate Entry) ⁽⁴⁾	See www.ucd.ie/grad_entry for details								20
DN420	Physiotherapy ^{(3) (4)}	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	1	588	579	58
DN425	Sport, Health & Exercise Science	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	542	534	55
DN430	Sport and Exercise Management	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	478	484	58
DN440	Biomedical, Health and Life Sciences	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	1	600	601*	40
DN450	General Nursing ⁽³⁾	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	408	393	164
DN451	Children's & General Nursing (Integrated) ⁽³⁾	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	495	499	42
DN452	Midwifery ⁽³⁾	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	519	510	27
DN453	Mental Health Nursing ⁽³⁾	O6/H7	O6/H7		O6/H7	O6/H7 ⁽¹⁾	2	367	407	39

Present Shortages

1 SKILLED TRADES

electricians, welders, mechanics



3 ENGINEERS

chemical, electrical, civil, mechanical



5 MANAGEMENT

low, middle & top level management



7 DRIVERS

truck, delivery, construction,
mass transit



9 HEALTHCARE

doctors, nurses and other non-nursing health
professionals



2 SALES REPRESENTATIVES

B2B, B2C, contact center



4 TEACHERS

primary and secondary school education



6 PROFESSIONALS

project managers, lawyers, researchers



8 OFFICE SUPPORT

administrative assistants, PAs,
receptionists



10 TECHNICIANS

quality controllers, technical staff



Do your research.

Select your **6 best** for points

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

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

Advice

Beware of the 'easy' and 'hard' subject

Where possible start with **Honours Level**

Your choices should not totally depend on which **teacher** is teaching that subject

The Leaving Certificate is a **full-time two year** course

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 Cert Exam Papers for the subject in question

Even AI can help



Sure, here's a list of questions to help third years with subject choice for the Leaving Certificate:



1. What are your interests?
2. What subjects do you enjoy the most?
3. What subjects do you find the most challenging?
4. What career paths are you considering?
5. Which subjects are required for your desired career?
6. Do you prefer practical or theoretical subjects?
7. Are you considering attending college? If so, what subjects do you need for your desired course?
8. Are there any subjects you have not yet studied that interest you?
9. Are there any subjects you have already studied that you would like to drop?
10. Do you have any particular strengths or weaknesses that may impact your subject choice?
11. Are there any extracurricular activities you are involved in that could impact your subject choice?
12. Are there any language requirements for your desired career or college course?
13. Do you need to take higher level or ordinary level in certain subjects for your desired career or college course?
14. Have you talked to your teachers or guidance counselor for advice on subject choice?
15. Are you willing to put in the effort and time required to excel in certain subjects?

PLAN AHEAD!!

Access Programs: If you feel that you cannot achieve your full academic potential because of a disability (dyslexia / dyscalculia), or ongoing illness, you may make a supplementary application through the CAO. Does your report need updating? Check out www.accesscollege.ie.



The Higher Education Access Route



The Disability Access Route to Education

And Finally...

Any
Questions?

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