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Ó Fiaich Institute of FET
PROSPECTUS **2025/26**

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WELCOME!



Padraig McGovern
Principal



John Caraher
Deputy Principal



Conor Rafferty
Deputy Principal

Welcome to Ó Fiaich Institute of Further Education (OFI).

OFI is one of the leading Further Education & Training colleges in the country and we pride ourselves on the dynamic, progressive and high-quality educational experience we provide to each of our learners.

OFI offers you, the prospective learner, access to a comprehensive range of academic and vocational programmes. We believe this provides you with the freedom to choose your own path in achieving your goals, whether that is going directly into employment or progressing to higher education. We have excellent links with local and national industry sectors, providing you with the opportunity to gain invaluable work experience in these industries. Equally, if Higher Education is where you wish to go, as a learner of OFI you will benefit from many clear and direct pathways from OFI to Universities across Ireland, Europe, the UK and further afield.

OFI learners are individually supported by highly qualified staff who are trained and knowledgeable in a wide range of vocational fields. An exceptional resource and guidance team, bolstered by an academic support team, ensure our learner's success both during their time with us and into the future. Alongside professional development, OFI places equal emphasis on personal growth. As a result, we provide extensive extracurricular activities and support services enabling our learners to enhance the life skills needed to succeed. We are fully committed to creating a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment for all learners to thrive.

We are extremely proud of our learners and their success, and we are delighted to see them achieve their goals. We are excited to welcome you to OFI and look forward to helping you in choosing your path, reaching your fullest potential and shaping your future.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or would like more information.

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10 REASONS

TO CHOOSE OFI



60+

PLC/Pre-University courses



Achieve a qualification in

1 year



68%

of graduates progress to higher education



30%

of graduates secured employment



Low course fees

and SUSI grant eligible



Individual **career guidance, counselling and academic support**



Course related **work experience**



Erasmus+

places available to study/train abroad



15+

clubs and societies



Fun and friendly

atmosphere in OFI

OUR GRADUATES

At Ó Fiaich Institute, we are immensely proud of our graduates and the success they have achieved in progressing to higher education and employment.

Their success both locally and internationally highlights how far you can go with a PLC or Pre-University Course. In all 60+ courses, OFI graduates are excelling in their studies, employment and achievements.

Upon graduating, you become part of our Alumni Community. Keep in touch by visiting www.ofi.ie/alumni or connect with [@OFIDundalk](https://www.instagram.com/OFIDundalk) on social media channels.



CARLA MAJAHAN

OFI Graduate:
Animal Science

Progressed to:
TUS - Veterinary Nursing



CHARLIE IRWIN

OFI Graduate:
Pre Garda and Security Studies

Progressed to:
DCU - International Relations

CHLOE SOMERS

OFI Graduate:
Criminology and Psychology

Progressed to:
UCD - Sociology, Social Policy and Social Justice



DARRAGH FLANAGAN

OFI Graduate:
Barbering

Now employed:
The White Room Barber Shop - Carrickmacross



FATOUMATA DIABY

OFI Graduate:
Beauty Therapy

Now employed:
Serenity Spa



DIVINE ADEDEJI

OFI Graduate:
Music Production and
Performance

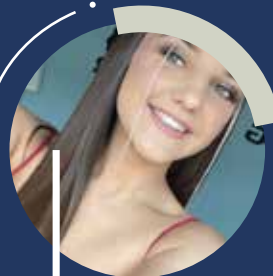
Progressed to:
Maynooth University - Music



GODA JURAITYTE

OFI Graduate:
Pre University Law

Progressed to:
UCD - Law



SEAN CUSSEN

OFI Graduate:
Pre University Arts

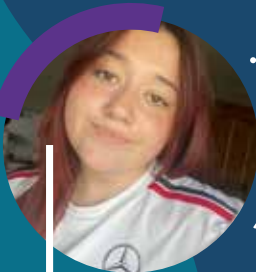
Progressed to:
Maynooth University
- Arts Degree



WIKTORIA SZMURLO

OFI Graduate:
Pre University Nursing
with Midwifery

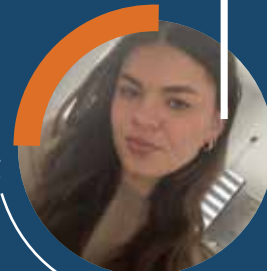
Progressed to:
DkIT - General Nursing



SHANNON BYRNE

OFI Graduate:
Pre University Teaching

Progressed to:
DCU - Joint Humanities





**ALYONA
O'BRIEN**

Alyona O'Brien studied Marketing in OFI at Level 5 and Level 6. Alyona then progressed directly into Year 3 of the Digital Marketing & Strategic Communications Degree in DkIT where she is a current student.

“

This link with DkIT was a huge advantage to me because it meant I could complete two years in OFI and then move directly to Year 3 of the degree in DkIT saving me a lot of time and money. OFI, along with my course coordinator did an excellent job to ensure that all of us who transferred into Year 3 would have the right tools, knowledge and confidence within ourselves to achieve success in DkIT.

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Nichola Leo studied Business and Computing in OFI at Level 5 and Level 6. Nichola then progressed directly into Year 3 of the Business and Management Degree in DkIT where she is a current student ambassador.



**CONNOR
SCOTT**

Connor Scott studied Marketing in OFI at Level 5 and Level 6. Connor then progressed directly into Year 3 of the Digital Marketing & Strategic Communications Degree in DkIT where he is a current student.

“

This progression link has been extremely beneficial to me. Since joining DkIT, I have realised how well OFI prepared me for third year in DkIT. Knowledge and skills I didn't even know I had developed in OFI, I was able to apply to coursework and assignments. It gave me time to develop personally in OFI in a smaller college setting before joining larger lectures in DkIT

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**NICHOLA
LEO**

CHOOSE TO SHAPE YOUR FUTURE

If your next step is
HIGHER EDUCATION
look out for this



If you see this badge on the course page, this course is designed to provide preparation and access to Higher Education in Institutes of Technology and Universities.

If your next step is an
APPRENTICESHIP
look out for this



If you see this badge on the course page, this course provides preparation and access to apprenticeships.

If your next step is
FULL TIME WORK
look out for this



If you see this badge on the course page, this course provides the industry standard qualification for full time work.

PROGRESSION WITH PARTNERS



Ó Fiaich Institute of FET and Dundalk Institute of Technology (DKIT) established an advanced progression link which gives learners the opportunity to begin their studies in OFI and complete it in DKIT. Here is what it looks like:

Year	College	Qualification	Course Options
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Year 1	OFI	QQI Level 5	Business & Computing
Year 2	OFI	QQI Level 6	Advanced Business & Computing
Year 3	DkIT	NFQ Level 7	Business & Management
Year 4	DkIT	NFQ Level 8	BB (Hons) Business & Management

Year	College	Qualification	Course Options
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Year 1	OFI	QQI Level 5	Marketing & Social Media Management
Year 2	OFI	QQI Level 6	Advanced Business & Marketing
Year 3	DkIT	NFQ Level 7	Digital Marketing & Strategic Communications
Year 4	DkIT	NFQ Level 8	BA (Hons) Digital Marketing & Strategic Communications

Year	College	Qualification	Course Options
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Year 1	OFI	QQI Level 5	Biomedical & Pharmaceutical Science
Year 2	DkIT		BSc in Pharmaceutical Science <i>OR</i> BSc in Bioscience
Year 3	DkIT	NFQ Level 7	BSc in Pharmaceutical Science <i>OR</i> BSc in Bioscience
Year 4	DkIT	NFQ Level 8	BSc (Hons) in Science

FUNDING AND FEES

PLC MAINTENANCE GRANT (SUSI)

SUSI grants are available to eligible students attending full-time approved courses at OFI. Please visit www.susi.ie for eligibility criteria.

BACK TO EDUCATION ALLOWANCE (BTEA)

BTEA allows qualifying persons getting certain social welfare payments to get a back to education payment while participating in approved full-time courses in further education.

SOLAS FUND FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

FSD provides funding to support students with disabilities, learning difficulties, medical conditions and special needs attending further education courses. To access supports, students are required to declare their disability and provide documentation confirming their additional need. This fund is administered by SOLAS and is disbursed on the basis of applications made by OFI on behalf of qualifying students.

REACH FUND

The aim of the Reach fund (formerly MAEDF) is to provide funding to support educationally disadvantaged learners in accessing and participating in community education. It aims to increase the participation of disadvantaged learners, particularly those who are undertaking literacy and skills programmes. The fund has a strong focus on building the digital infrastructure of community education providers, including providing devices and software, and increasing their capacity to deliver learning. This fund is allocated by SOLAS and administered by LMETB.

NEW LOW COURSE FEES FOR 2025

FEES

All courses now have a low course registration fee of €30. Make sure to confirm your place on a course by paying your registration fee.



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Standard minimum entry requirements on all courses

- Applicants must be 17+ years of age on entry to the course.
- Leaving Cert, LCVP, LCA or QQI Level 4 Major Award is essential.
- Mature applicant route available for applicants aged 23+.
- Competent written and spoken English required.
- Non-EU/EEA applicants must have permission to work in Ireland.



APPLY ONLINE

www.ofi.ie

Ensure you apply as soon as possible.

Applications for September 2025 are now open!

All applicants must be age 17+. A completed and signed Parental/ Guardian Consent form, Garda Vetting and Learner Contract will be completed by all applicants upon commencing the course.


AGE

A mature applicant route is available for those who don't meet the minimum educational requirements.

To qualify, you must be aged 23 or over on January 1st of the year the course starts. We look forward to meeting at monthly Mature Student Coffee Meetings.


MATURE APPLICANTS





All our Level 5 courses are open to school leavers over 17 years of age (Leaving Certificate/ Leaving Certificate Applied Students/A Levels/GCSE or equivalent), QQI Level 4 graduates and mature applicants. A QQI Level 5 award is a prerequisite to access a Level 6 programme.

MINIMUM EDUCATION




English language proficiency is required for all courses. Learners may be called for interview where English is not the first language. This is to deem suitability to the course and/ or provision of additional supports needed.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE



Non-EU/EEA applicants must have permission to work in Ireland. Additional entry requirements may vary depending on the course.

NON-EU/EEA APPLICANTS



The purpose of the admissions interview is to pre-screen for work practice and industry placement and to assess which applicants will gain the most from joining one of our programmes. In preparation for the interview, consider why you've applied for the course, study the entry requirements, course modules and certification and be able to describe the knowledge, skills and experience you wish to develop and what your plan is after the course.

THE ADMISSIONS INTERVIEW

Note: All programmes run subject to demand. Course content may vary subject to funding/ resources available. All information stated is correct at time of printing and subject to change.

STUDENT SUPPORTS

GUIDANCE & COUNSELLING SERVICE

Students in Ó Fiaich Institute can avail of confidential guidance and counselling supports. Our guidance counsellors are available for drop-in sessions or one to one meetings with students to assist with exploring career and educational choices, ensuring successful transition to higher education, employment or further training. With extensive knowledge of progression routes and university links, learners are well informed of all opportunities available for their future. Course progression talks and workshops provide hands-on support to students in completing CAO/UCAS/EU/Employment Applications.

PERSONAL ASSISTANTS TO PLC STUDENTS

A team of Personal Assistants (PAs) are on hand to work with qualifying students individually to ensure they reach their full potential. Learner's individual needs are catered for on a full time in class basis or as one to one supports or occasional drop in sessions. Our friendly team of PAs are here to help!

DISABILITY SERVICES

Ó Fiaich Institute is committed to supporting students. It is our priority to ensure accessibility to the campus and to support students in relation to their disability, information, guidance and learning. It is the student's responsibility to disclose their needs and provide supporting documentation to access supports.

For more information please contact Karen Cawley at kcawley.ofi@lmetb.ie

STUDENT LEARNING HUB

The student learning hub is a facility open to students every day without appointment. Here learners can work on assignments, seek academic support or attend workshops to facilitate their success

LAPTOP LOAN SCHEME

All students can apply for the laptop loan scheme. This provides students with the use of a high specification device for the duration of the academic year for a very low refundable deposit. This scheme ensures students have access to a digital device and the opportunity for success.

ESOL SUPPORT

International students can benefit from ESOL classes to complement their learning. Depending on the level of proficiency, students can engage in intensive, small group or individual classes. Ó Fiaich Institute is an inclusive environment that strives to provide a learning opportunity for all.



ERASMUS+



OFI are very proud to offer the Erasmus+ Programme. The Erasmus+ Programme offers our learners the opportunity to experience working abroad as part of their chosen PLC course. This programme gives our learners the chance to experience new horizons, develop transferable life skills and enhance self-esteem and confidence. There are myriad benefits to our Erasmus+ Programme:

- **Work Experience:** Learners get the opportunity to experience working in a different country. While on Erasmus, learners gain work experience from Monday to Friday. Placements our learners have experienced include working in hospitals, veterinary services, science and research laboratories, hairdressing, human resources among many more. This leads to an improvement in language skills, team-working skills and increased employment opportunities on arrival home!

“During this period, I got the experience of a lifetime and made lifelong friends. I learnt a lot of new skills - I got to gain confidence by living abroad - basically by myself - going to and from work, by myself.”

Leanne Byrne

Graduate | Level 5 Childcare and Erasmus+ participant

- **Cultural Experiences:** It's not all work! Erasmus+ also ensures that learners have full exposure to many social and cultural outings. Erasmus+ participants can look forward to flamenco exhibitions, boat trips, day trips to local historical cities among other outings!
- **Independent Living:** Erasmus+ can be the first chance OFI learners have to experience living, cooking, and cleaning for themselves. Overall, this leads to a growth in confidence, self-reliance, and independence.

Placements take place usually in springtime of the academic year. Successful applicants qualify for a grant towards the cost of travel, accommodation and living expenses.



CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

At OFI, we pride ourselves on having a thriving social element for students to enjoy. As with our courses, our social clubs represent a wide range of interests and talents.

Clubs on offer include Book Club, Film Club, Make-Up Club, Games Club, Dungeons and Dragons Club, Men's and Women's Soccer Club, Men's and Women's GAA Club, Basketball Club, Well Being Club, Debate Club, Board Games Club and Neurodivergence Club. These clubs offer learners a means of making friends with people who share similar interests.

They also provide an additional social outlet for learners during lunch break or after school. Our Societies include LGBTQIA+ Society, Mature Student Society and International Student Society. These are hugely popular and allow learners to meet others who may share the same background or experiences as them! Organised by our OFI Student Union, various social events also ensure that students can meet learners outside of their course. Marked on our social calendar are jersey days, Halloween Activity Week, November, Christmas Jumper Days, Wellbeing Days, Race Nights among others!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU!



SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Ó Fiaich Institute is here to support your academic and sporting success. The Ó Fiaich Institute Sports Scholarship Programme supports high performance sports enthusiasts who have shown talent and commitment and who wish to balance an academic course and their sporting commitments. This Sports Scholarships Programme shows our commitment to facilitating the development of sporting excellence.

ALL SPORTS WELCOME

This programme awards sports scholarships to students across a wide range of sports including, Gaelic Football, Soccer, Basketball, Hurling, Camogie, Handball, Boxing, MMA, Rugby, Equestrian, Athletics, Swimming etc. All suggestions are taken on board. This list is not exclusive.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must meet the entry requirements for their chosen course.
- Applicants should be currently competing at a high level in their chosen sport and intend on pursuing a full-time course at Ó Fiaich Institute.
- Applicants should be able to demonstrate good leadership qualities and be prepared to get actively involved in our Students Union sports initiatives.

THE BENEFITS

- Presentation of our Sports Scholarship Award.
- Course Fees paid.
- Financial contribution.
- Ó Fiaich Institute branded sportswear.
- An academic mentor to assist with balancing your studies with your training schedule.

HOW TO APPLY

Students who wish to be considered for a Sports Scholarship for the 2025-2026 academic year must complete an online Application Form in October 2025.

Application forms will be available on our **ofi.ie** website.

For any further information please contact Martin Corey on the email below.

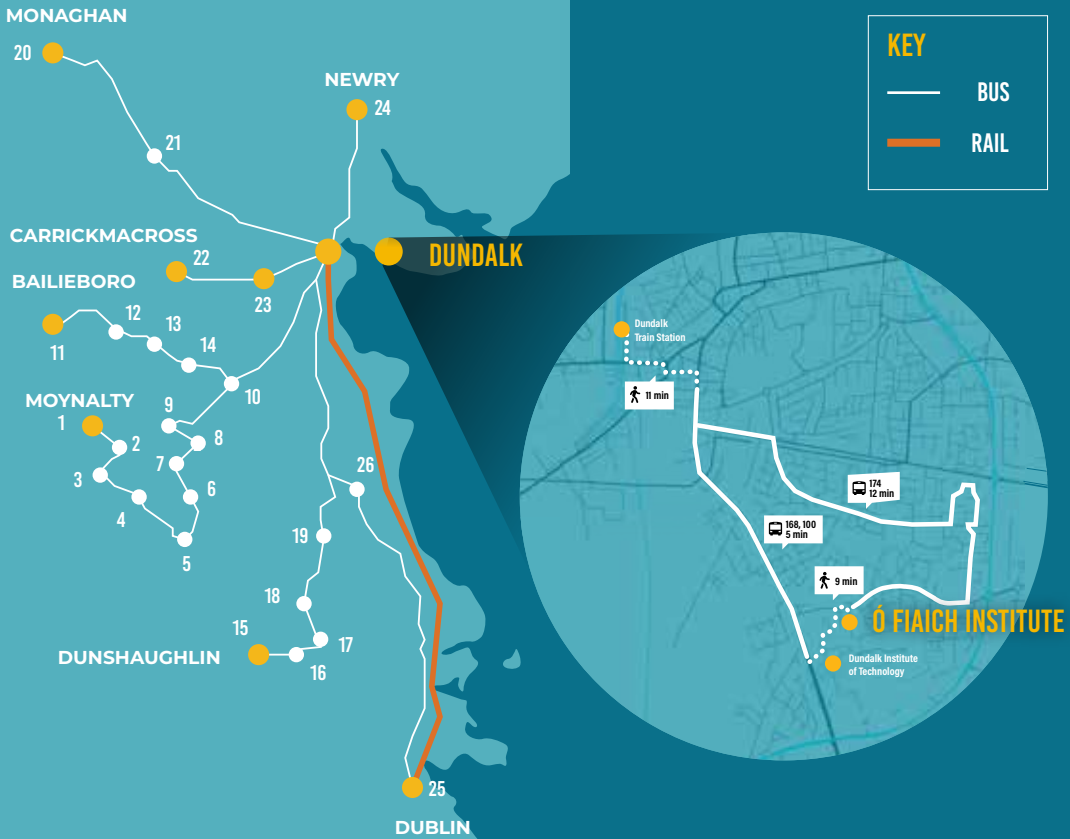
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SPONSORSHIP

Thank you to Keenan Timber Frame KTF for sponsoring the Sports Scholarship Programme in 2023/24.



GETTING HERE



ROYAL BREFFNI TOURS

Kells-Dundalk Service

- 1 Moynalty
- 2 Carolanstown
- 3 Kells
- 4 Silver Tankard
- 5 Navan
- 6 Kilberry Restaurant
- 7 Wilkinstown
- 8 Castletown
- 9 Woodtown
- 10 Ardee
- Dundalk

Bailieboro-Dundalk Service

- 11 Bailieboro
- 12 Kingscourt
- 13 Meath Hill
- 14 Drumconrath
- 10 Ardee
- Dundalk

Ashbourne-Dundalk Service

- 15 Dunshaughlin
- 16 Ratoath
- 17 Ashbourne
- 18 Kilmoon Cross
- 19 Duleek
- Dundalk

MCENTEE COACH HIRE

- 20 Monaghan Town
- 21 Castleblaney
- Dundalk

FINNEGAN COACHES

- 22 Carrickmacross
- 23 Knockbridge
- Dundalk

EAST COAST TRAVEL

- 24 Newry
- Dundalk

FINLAY COACHES

- 10 Ardee
- Dundalk

MATTHEWS COACH HIRE

- 25 Dublin
- 26 Drogheda
- Dundalk

COME VISIT US

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday,
5th of March
5pm – 8pm



OPEN DAY

Thursday,
6th of March
9am – 3pm



VIRTUAL VISIT



SCAN
ME!



SENSORY VISIT

If you would like to visit our campus at a quieter time, please contact our Additional Education Needs Coordinator, Karen Cawley at kcawley.ofi@lmetb.ie

SCHOOL VISITS

We would love to visit your school and facilitate a college talk for students in transition year, fifth year or sixth year. We believe it is crucially important for students to be aware of all college pathways available. Our school liaison team will deliver a fun, engaging talk including goody bags for those who book in early.

To reserve a date and time for your school visit, please email Deputy Principal, Conor Rafferty at crafferty.ofi@lmetb.ie or phone us on **0429331398**





BUSINESS & COMPUTING

Accountancy, Payroll and Human Resources
Advanced Business & Computing (Level 6)
Advanced Business & Marketing (Level 6)
Auctioneering, Estate Agency & Valuation **NEW 2025**
Business & Computing
Computer Science & Mobile Apps
Event Management & Marketing
Marketing and Social Media Management
Medical & Legal Office Administrator **NEW 2025**
Office & Reception Administrator

ACCOUNTANCY, PAYROLL & HUMAN RESOURCES

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
APPRENTICESHIP



5M2102 QQI LEVEL 5 BUSINESS STUDIES

If you have a flair for numbers or enjoy working with finance, then this course is for you. It is designed to deliver the skills, knowledge and competencies required to assist in financial and human resource management. This specialised certificate can be used to gain direct employment within public service or private organisations, as well as to gain entry to third level degree courses at Universities and Institutes of Technology.

Ireland is the **4th** largest provider of Financial Services in the EU

COURSE CONTENT

- Accounting Manual and Computerised
- Human Resources
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Applied Economics
- Business Administration Skills
- Business Law
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Spreadsheet Methods

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Accountancy Practices | Business Administration Roles | Project Manager | Financial Clerical Officer | Accounts Administrator | Payroll Clerk | Funds Manager | HR Administrator



PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



ADVANCED BUSINESS & COMPUTING

6M4985 QQI LEVEL 6 BUSINESS

This dynamic Business and Computing course explores modern business practises enabling graduates to gain a wide range of business and IT skills. The course is suitable for students who wish to develop management, IT and marketing techniques which are very much sought after by local, national and global businesses. Graduates can progress to employment or advance their studies with progression to a wide range of degree programmes.

98%

of graduates gain direct entry to Year 2 or Year 3 of a Business degree depending on performance.

COURSE CONTENT

- Web Authoring
- Marketing Management
- Business Management
- Professional Presentation
- Applied Economics
- Word Processing
- Statistics
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Financial Services Assistant | Clerical Officer | Accounts Officer | Business Administrator | Management | Human Resource Officer | Legal Administrator | Medical Administrator | Sales & Marketing Officer | Business Development Manager | Auditor | Company Secretary | Human Resource Manager.



PATHWAY TO
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EDUCATION

PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT

ADVANCED BUSINESS & MARKETING

6M4985 QQI LEVEL 6 BUSINESS

Our Advanced Business and Marketing offers a gateway to a world of managerial career opportunities. Gain vital knowledge and the latest skills in diverse national and international business and marketing roles. Whether your ambitions lie in entrepreneurship, marketing and sales, or various business sectors, our program prepares you for success. Graduates can effortlessly transition into the workforce or pursue further education in various prestigious degree programs, securing a promising future. In 2024, businesses in Ireland invested over €1.5 billion in advertising. Marketing Management business graduates can begin on a salary of €45,000, with experienced professionals earning up to €90,000 annually.

98%

of graduates advance directly into Year 2 or Year 3 of a Marketing Business degree, determined by performance.

COURSE CONTENT

- International Marketing
- Marketing Management
- Business Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Sales & Marketing
- Web Authoring
- Business Development
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Consultative Planning

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Business & Marketing Management | Entrepreneur/Small Business Owner | Digital Marketing Specialist | Sales Executive | Business Development Executive | Marketing Communications Coordinator | Marketing Research Analyst | Web Content Manager | Business and Marketing Consultant | Legal Business Expert





AUCTIONEERING, ESTATE AGENCY & VALUATION

5M2102 QQI LEVEL 5 BUSINESS STUDIES

This year-long course is designed to equip learners with key Auctioneering and Estate Agency skills, as well as an understanding of a comprehensive range of modern business functions such as IT, Economics, Marketing, Valuation and Law. Estate Agents work within the residential and commercial buildings sector; selling, letting, managing, valuing and advertising properties. This course will enable the learner to work in a professional manner in the Estate Agency industry or progress onto various professional Real Estate and Auctioneering programmes at various Universities and Institutes of Technology.

In Ireland, employment in this occupation is spread across a number of roles including estate agents, marketing professionals, procurement officers, conference managers and many more

COURSE CONTENT

- Estate Agency Practice
- Valuation
- Business Administration
- Business Law
- Communications
- Spreadsheets
- Word Processing
- Applied Economics
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Auctioneering Practice | Estate Agency and Valuation | Property Management | Property Letting



BUSINESS & COMPUTING

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PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M2102 QQI LEVEL 5 BUSINESS STUDIES

This year-long course can help you to develop the critical skills and knowledge necessary to pursue a career in business. Students will gain a comprehensive understanding of the business environment and a broad knowledge of application software. The course provides a solid foundation for anyone wishing to advance to degree courses in colleges and universities such as DkIT, NUIM and DCU.

92%

of students who enrolled on the course progressed to a course at a higher level or into employment

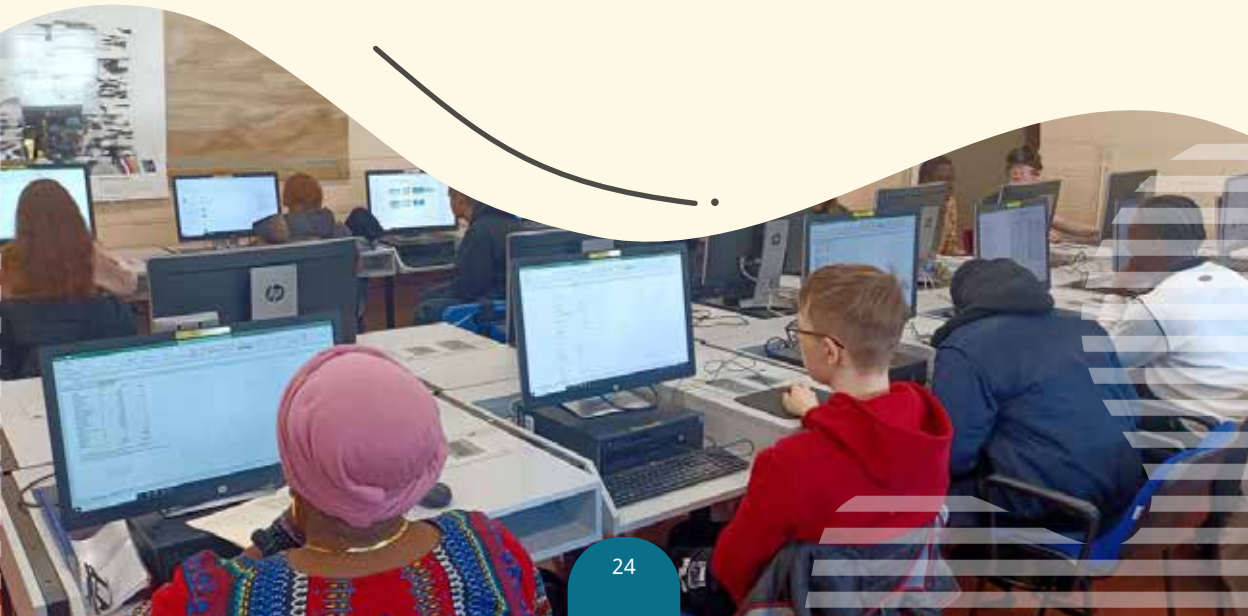
COURSE CONTENT

- Applied Economics
- Accounting Manual & Computerised
- Business Administration Skills
- Communications
- Database Methods
- Spreadsheet Methods
- Start Your Own Business
- Word Processing
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Accountancy Practices | Business Administration Roles | Project Manager | Financial Clerical Officer | Accounts Administrator | Payroll Clerk | Funds Manager | HR Administrator





COMPUTER SCIENCE & MOBILE APPS

5M0529 QQI LEVEL 5 SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

This course has been designed to allow students to choose their own unique path in computing specialising in Computer Programming, Web Design, Mobile App Development and Databases. The course gives students the essential skills to start a career in the computing industry with real rewards and excellent career prospects.

Number of software
developers worldwide
is expected to reach

28.7M

people by 2024

COURSE CONTENT

- Computer Programming
- Software Architecture
- Maths for IT
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Database Methods
- Web Authoring
- Mobile Technologies
- Networks & Cyber Security

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Mobile App Developer | Web Developer
| Technical Support | Database
Administrator | Software Developer |
Network Administrator | Systems and IT
Administrator | IT Application Support |
Cybersecurity Analyst



PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION

PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT

EVENT MANAGEMENT & MARKETING

5M2069 QQI LEVEL 5 MARKETING

Event Management is a growing sector in Ireland which is fundamental to the growth of Irish business. This course will provide students with up-to-date skills in marketing and/or event management, including the planning and promoting of business conferences, festivals, weddings, parties, tourism, trade shows, competitions and sponsorship. Learn to deliver a brand message directly to a company's target audience. The average salary for an Event Manager in Ireland in 2024 is €50,000 per year.

The events industry
contributes over

€3.5bn

annually for the Irish
economy

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Event Management | Hotel Meetings & Event Management | Sales & Marketing | Party & Wedding Planner | Conference Organiser | Sports & Charity Events Organiser | Tourism Management | Festival Coordination & Management

COURSE CONTENT

- Event Production
- Advertising
- Public Relations
- Behavioural Studies
- Applied Economics
- Marketing Practice
- Customer Service
- Work Experience
- Digital Marketing



MARKETING & SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGEMENT

PATHWAY TO
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EDUCATION



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EMPLOYMENT



5M2069 QQI LEVEL 5 MARKETING

Marketing Executives and Social Media Managers play a vital role in today's ever-changing business world. Online methods of promotion and advertising have become indispensable for businesses to thrive. With 4.01 million social media users in Ireland in 2024, representing 79% of the population, mastering these platforms for business is more crucial than ever. Our course equips you with the latest business skills and marketing expertise to navigate social media platforms successfully in this AI-driven age. Digital Marketing graduates can begin on a salary of €35,000, while seasoned Marketing professionals can earn up to €90,000 annually.

95%

of Marketing graduates
have progressed to
work/further study

COURSE CONTENT

- Digital Marketing
- Marketing Practice
- Advertising
- Public Relations
- Behavioural Studies
- Work Experience
- Applied Economics
- Communications
- Accounting Manual and Computerised
- Maths (elective)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Social Media Management for Business | Digital marketing Executive | Sales & Advertising | eBusiness | Public Relations | Independent Marketing Consultancy | Market Research | Entrepreneurship | Business Management | Marketing Agencies | AI Marketing Strategist | Influencer Marketing Manager



MEDICAL & LEGAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M1997 QQI LEVEL 5 OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

This specialised certificate is designed to assist the learner with gaining direct employment to administrative roles within the public and private sectors, including roles in medical, dental and legal practices. This certificate can also be used to gain entry to degree programmes.

In
2024

office administrators
are the most in demand
professionals within the
support sector.

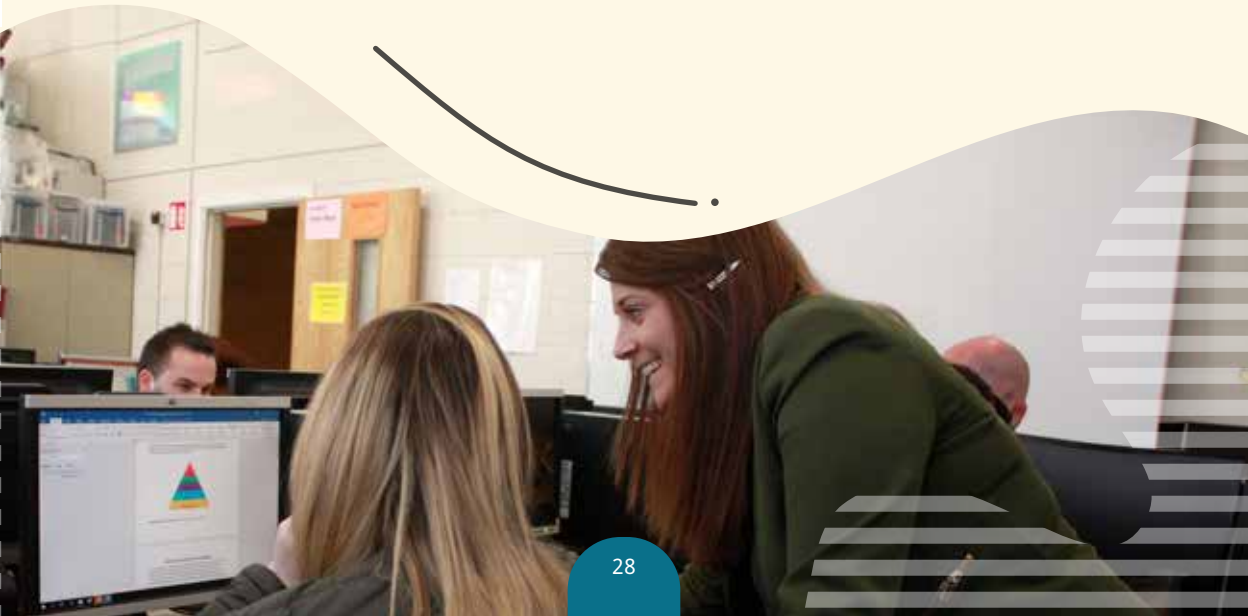
COURSE CONTENT

- Legal Practice & Procedures
- Medical Terminology
- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Text Production
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Information and Administration
- Payroll Manual & Computerised
- Spreadsheet Methods

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Employment opportunities open to graduates include:

Dental Practices | Medical Practices |
Legal Practices | Personal Assistant Roles
| Accounts and Payroll Departments |
Property Management | Banking and
Insurance Practices | Pharmacies



PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



RECEPTION & OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

5M1997 QQI LEVEL 5 OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

This specialised certificate is designed to assist the learner with gaining direct employment to administrative roles within the public and private sectors, including roles in medical, dental and legal practices. This certificate can also be used to gain entry to degree programmes.

Administrative Officers
earn an average of

€31K
per annum

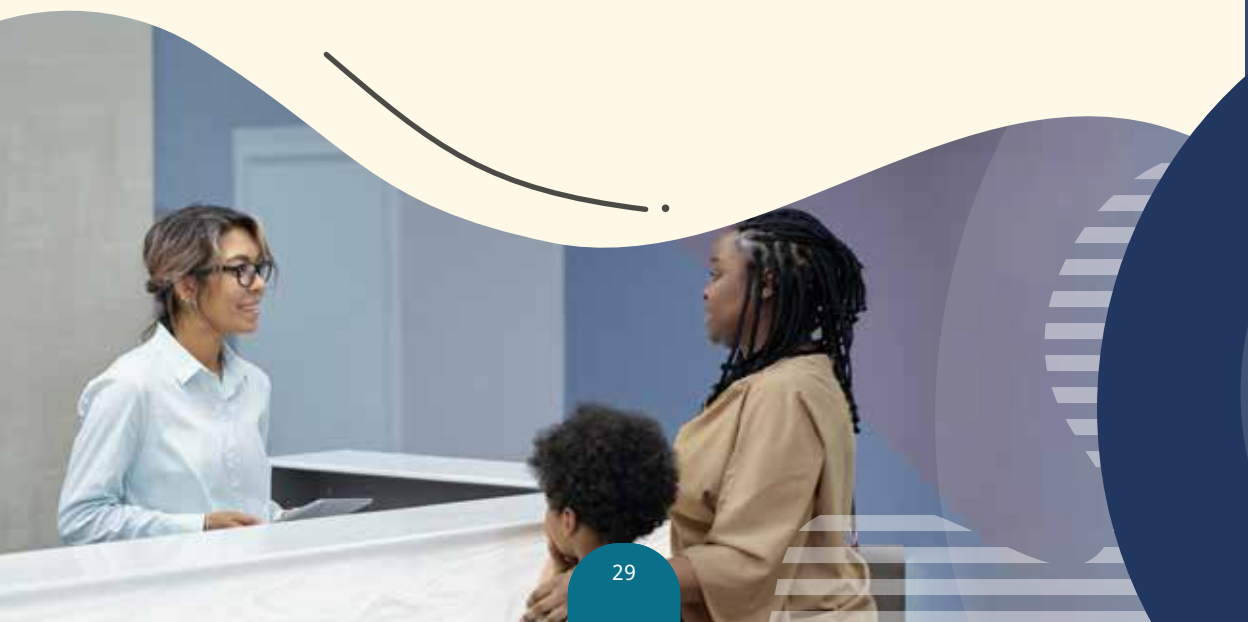
COURSE CONTENT

- Reception and Frontline Office Skills
- Text Production
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Information and Administration
- Payroll Manual & Computerised
- Spreadsheet Methods
- Legal Practice & Procedures (optional)
- Medical Terminology (optional)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Employment opportunities open to graduates include:

Dental Practices | Medical Practices |
Legal Practices | Personal Assistant Roles
| Accounts and Payroll Departments |
Property Management | Banking and
Insurance Practices | Pharmacies





BEAUTY, SPORT & WELLBEING

Advanced Beauty Therapy

Barbering

Beauty, Massage & Electrotherapy

Holistic Health & Wellbeing

Hospitality & Tourism

Personal Trainer with Pilates **NEW 2025**

Personal Training & Gym Instructor **NEW 2025**

Professional Hairdressing

Professional Makeup Artistry

Sports Conditioning & Exercise Performance

Sports Massage with Pilates **NEW 2025**

Sports, Exercise & Coaching

Hospitality and Tourism with Cabin Crew Studies

Yoga & Pilates Teacher Training



ADVANCED BEAUTY THERAPY

ITEC LEVEL 3 MICRODERMABRASION
ITEC LEVEL 4 SKIN PEELING
ITEC LEVEL 4 SKIN NEEDLING
ITEC LEVEL 4 LASER IPL

An advanced
Beauty Therapist
can earn up to

€40
per hour

The Advanced Beauty Therapy course at Ó Fiaich Institute of FET offers highly specialised treatments such as Skin Peeling, Skin Needling, Laser IPL and much more. This beauty course is ideal for students who wish to advance their current beauty qualifications and further their career within the Beauty Industry. We offer students an ideal opportunity to train to the highest standard for L4 ITEC Qualifications. Learners must hold complete Level 5 Beauty Therapy course or ITEC equivalent qualifications.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Specialised Skin Clinics | Beauty Salons
| Hotel Spas | Laser Clinics | Nail Salons

COURSE CONTENT

- Skin Needling
- Skin Peeling
- Microdermabrasion
- Laser IPL
- Spa Treatments
- Work Experience

Additional Training:

- LED Light Therapy
- Lash & Brow Treatments



BARBERING

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



PATHWAY TO
APPRENTICESHIP



5M3351 QQI LEVEL 5 CERTIFICATE IN HAIR DRESSING

This course is taught by qualified professionals who incorporate demonstrations and hands-on workshops with theory work. An integrated work placement providing invaluable industry exposure and state-of-the-art salon facilities ensures graduates will gain recognised qualifications in Barbering.

Learners must secure their own work experience in salon/barbershop to complete the course.

COURSE CONTENT

- Hairdressing Theory and Practice
- Hairdressing Science
- Work Experience
- Customer Service
- Safety and Health at Work
- Reception and Front Office Skills
- Word Processing
- Barbering Techniques

Barbering is currently
**one of the
most sought-
after trades**

after the impact
of Covid 19

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Barber Shops | Hair Salons |
Demonstrators | Salon Owner | Film,
Theatre and TV Hair Specialist Stylist | Salon
Manager | Hairdressing Tutor | Cruise
Ships

You can enter the industry as a junior barber or progress to a level 6 Barbering course in our feeder schools.



PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



BEAUTY, MASSAGE & ELECTROTHERAPY

ITEC DIPLOMA IN BEAUTY, MASSAGE & ELECTROTHERAPY LEVEL 3

The beauty industry is a rapidly growing sector, and this course focuses on developing the relevant specialist and professional skills for a successful career in this industry. From waxing and skincare treatments to manicures and makeup application, learners will gain the skills and knowledge required to allow progression to employment in various areas including Salons, Health Farms, Spas and Cruise Liners.

COURSE CONTENT

- Skin & Eye Treatments
- Makeup
- Manicure & Pedicure
- Waxing
- Professional Conduct & Business Awareness
- Facial Electrical Treatments
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Holistic Massage
- Indian Head Massage

Additional Training:

- Lash Lifts & Eye Lash Extensions
- Gel Polish
- Spray Tanning

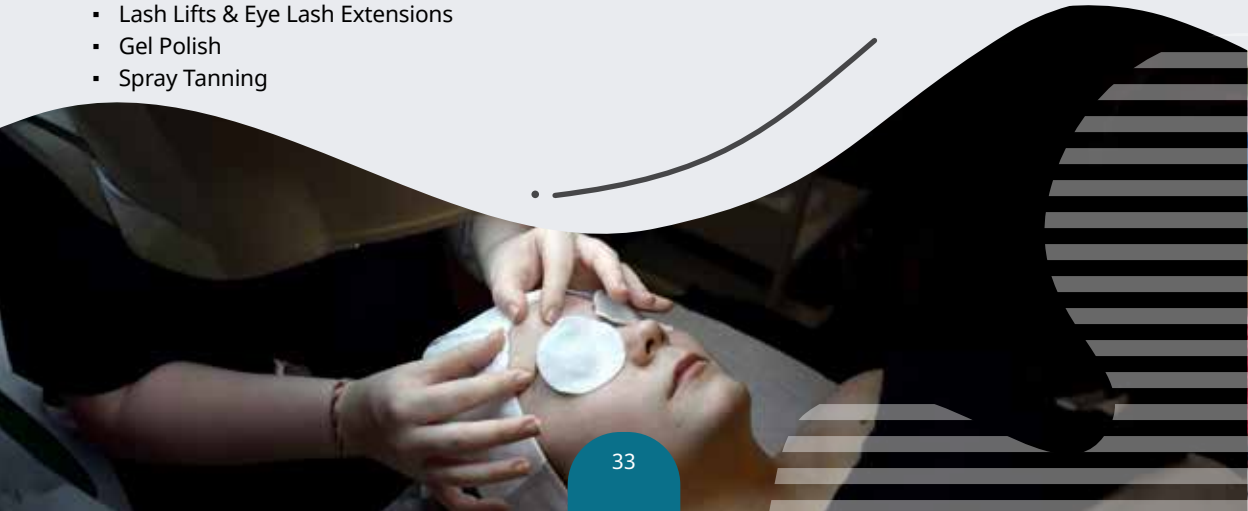
As a self-employed
Therapist you can
earn approximately

€40
per hour

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Beauty Therapy Salons | Pharmacies | Hotels & Leisure Centres | Spas | Cruise Liners | Health Centres & Health Farms | Beauty Consultation | Skin Clinics



HOLISTIC HEALTH & WELLBEING

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



ITEC DIPLOMA HOLISTIC MASSAGE
ITEC DIPLOMA IN REFLEXOLOGY
ITEC CERTIFICATE IN DIET & NUTRITION
REIKI LEVEL 3 PRACTITIONER

Massage therapists
can earn up to

40K

per year

This course is designed to give candidates a broad knowledge of the holistic approach to health and well-being. Learners gain practitioner qualifications for employment in therapies including Swedish Massage, Reflexology, Reiki and Nutrition.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

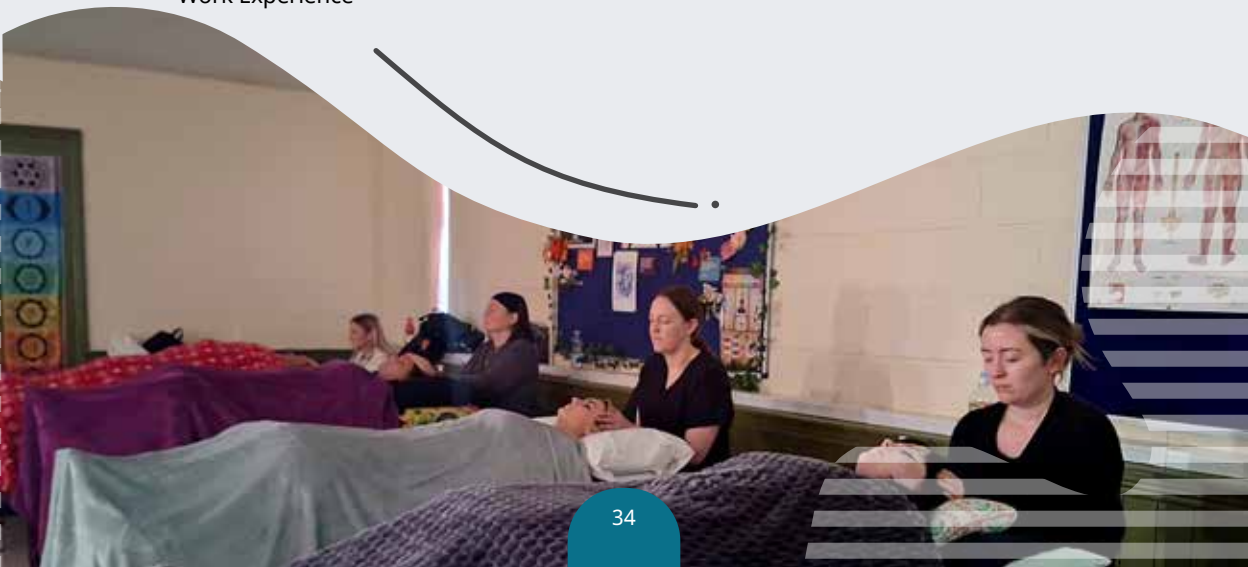
Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Spas | Cruise Liners | Holistic Health Centres/clinics | Leisure Centres | Sports & Fitness Centres | Hotels | Self Employment | Health Food Shops | Teaching | Trainer

ITEC qualifications are internationally recognised and enable learners to enter employment as qualified professionals.

COURSE CONTENT

- Holistic/Swedish Massage
- Reflexology
- Reiki
- Micro-Credential Aromatherapy
- Nutrition
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Professional Conduct and Business
- Awareness
- Work Experience



HOSPITALITY & TOURISM

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M2083 QQI LEVEL 5 HOSPITALITY OPERATIONS

This course will expand the learner's knowledge and skills in these exciting industries. Hospitality and Event Management is one of the fastest growing industries all over the world. Event Management involves planning and ensuring that special events run smoothly and includes both small events and those on a large scale such as festivals, concerts and conferences. Hospitality is most commonly associated with Hotels but also includes careers in entertainment venues, restaurants, bars and casual dining, event management and contract catering.

The events industry
is responsible for
the employment of

35K
people

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

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Event Management | Hotel Meetings and Event Management | Sales & Marketing | Party & Wedding Planner | Conference Organiser | Sports & Charity Events Organiser | Tourism Management | Festival Coordination & Management

COURSE CONTENT

- Tourism Principles & Practice
- Tourism Information & Administration,
- Customer Service,
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Food Preparation
- Restaurant Hospitality
- Event Management

PERSONAL TRAINER WITH PILATES

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



ITEC DIPLOMA IN PILATES TEACHING ITEC DIPLOMA IN PERSONAL TRAINING.

This course offers learners an exciting, rewarding and satisfying career within the exercise and fitness sector. Learn the skills and knowledge required to qualify as a personal trainer and a pilates teacher. This is a competitive employment sector that continues to rise globally.

The global pilates market continues to rise with an expected

10%

market growth predicted by 2028.

COURSE CONTENT

- Pilates Teaching
- Principles of Exercise
- Supporting Clients in Exercise and Physical Activity
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Gym Based Exercise
- Personal Training
- Health and Safety

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Pilates Studios | Spa Centres | Holistic Health Centres | Leisure Centres | Sports and Fitness Centres | Hotels | Self Employment



PERSONAL TRAINING & GYM INSTRUCTOR

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



QQI LEVEL 5 SPORTS, RECREATION & EXERCISE

ITEC LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN PERSONAL TRAINING

This course provides the learner with the knowledge and practical skills for employment in the exercise and fitness sector. Learners will gain the necessary skills to plan, advise, assist and provide personal training.

In Ireland, personal trainers can expect to earn

**€25-
€45**
per hour

COURSE CONTENT

- Sport and Recreation Studies
- Exercise and Fitness
- Nutrition
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Sports Injury Prevention
- Sports Psychology
- Communications
- Work Experience

Additional:

- National Governing Body Sports Coaching Awards (GAA Foundation Award) (Soccer PDP1/PDP2)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Personal Training | Gym Instructor | Soccer Coach | Leisure Attendant | Youth and Community Work | Sports Development | Sports Officer



PROFESSIONAL HAIRDRESSING

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M3351 QQI LEVEL 5 HAIRDRESSING

This course is designed to facilitate those wishing to pursue a career in the hairdressing industry. Kick-start your career in the hair and beauty industry and gain the skills required to in run and manage a working salon.

Learners must secure their own work experience in salon/barbershop to complete the course.

As a self-employed
Therapist you can
earn approximately

€40
per hour

COURSE CONTENT

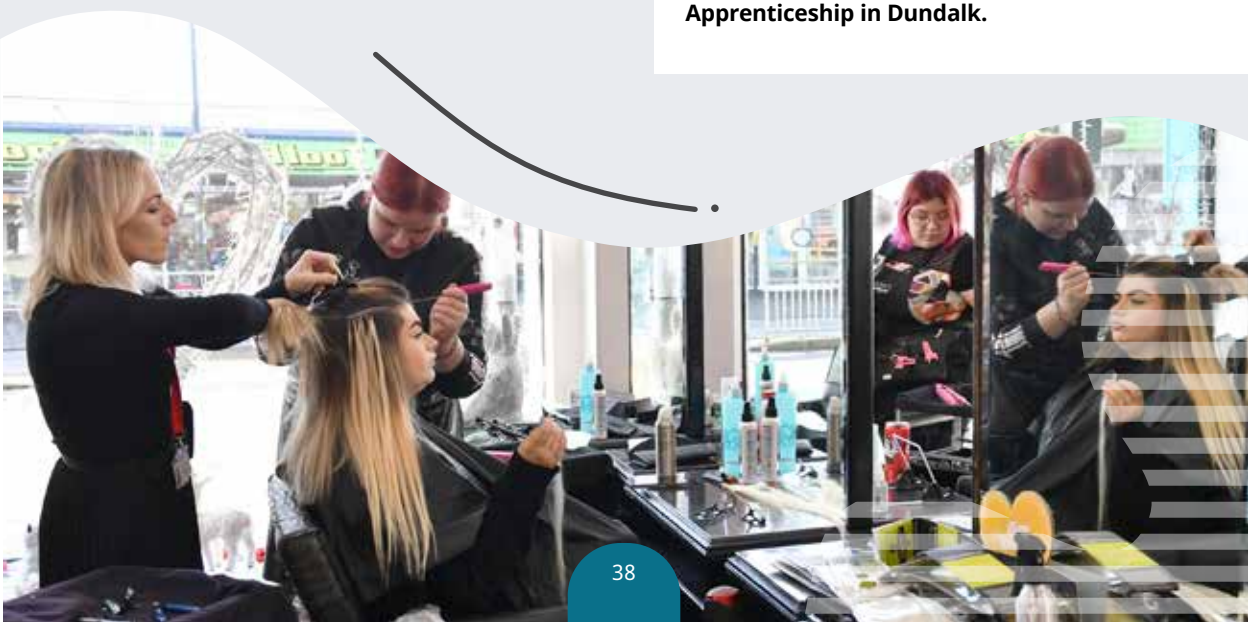
- Hairdressing theory and practice
- Hairdressing science
- Health & safety
- Work experience
- Customer service
- Creative styling/barbering
- Word processing
- Reception and front office skills

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Hair Stylist | Barber | Image Consultant |
Film, Theatre and TV Hair Specialist Stylist |
Product & Equipment Sales Representative
| Salon Manager | Hairdressing Tutor |
Cruise Ships | Salon Owner

You can enter the industry as a junior stylist or progress to a level 6 Hairdressing course in the Hairdressing Apprenticeship in Dundalk.





PROFESSIONAL MAKEUP ARTISTRY

**ITEC DIPLOMA IN FASHION, THEATRE &
MEDIA MAKEUP**

**ITEC CERTIFICATE IN EYEBROW TREAT-
MENT & EYELASH ENHANCEMENTS**

QQI AWARD IN WORK EXPERIENCE

A Freelance
Makeup Artist can
earn from

€50

per hour

This course covers all aspects of make-up artistry, including fashion, theatre, TV, film, and special effects. It combines the technical skills and artistic elements required of a make-up artist. This course covers the skills required to perform effective makeup techniques suitable for various professional media, theatre, and stage productions. As part of this course students develop a comprehensive portfolio featuring a range of different looks.

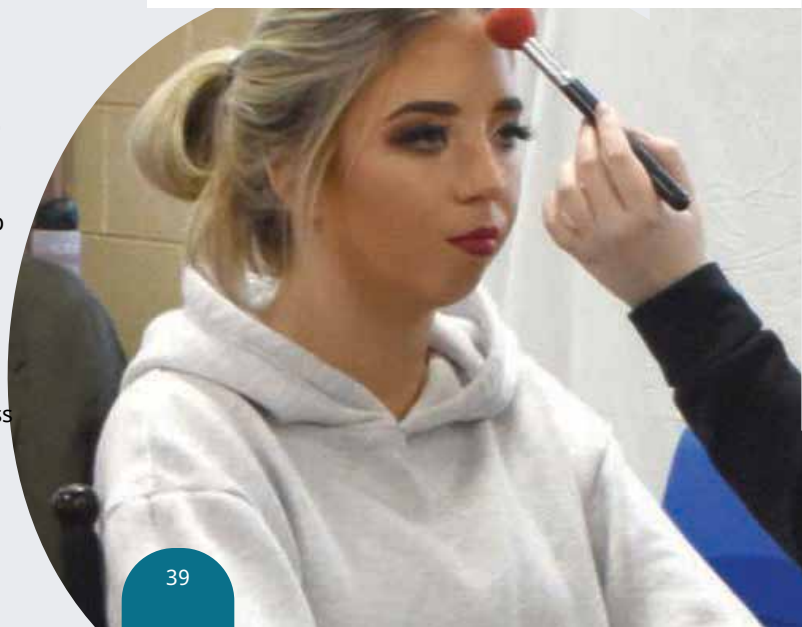
CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Make Up Artist | Fashion Brands | Catwalk
Makeup Artist | Commercial & Editorial
Makeup Artist | Retail Sales | Freelance
Bridal Specialist | Freelance Occasional
Specialist | Beauty Salons | Tv & Film |
Theatre | Trainers & Teachers of Makeup |
Business Owners

COURSE CONTENT

- Day Makeup
- Evening Makeup
- Special Occasion Makeup
- Bridal Makeup
- Era Makeup
- Photographic Makeup
- Commercial & Editorial Makeup
- Fantasy Makeup
- Photography Makeup
- Catwalk & High fashion Makeup
- Avant-Garde Makeup
- Makeup photography
- Special Effects
- Work Experience
- Eyelash & Eyebrow Treatments
- Professional Conduct & Business Awareness.



SPORTS CONDITIONING & EXERCISE PERFORMANCE

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M5146 QQI LEVEL 5 SPORTS, RECREATION & EXERCISE ITEC LEVEL 2 AWARD IN INSTRUCTING STRENGTH & CONDITIONING SESSIONS

Strength and Conditioning has become a key consideration for all sports in the last decade.

This course aims to prepare participants for work in sports conditioning and exercise performance roles. The learner will be introduced to the principal of planning strength and conditioning sessions for athletes in a variety of different sports and exercise settings.

COURSE CONTENT

- Sport & Recreation Studies
- Exercise & Fitness
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Sports Nutrition
- Sports Anatomy & Physiology
- Sports Injury Prevention
- Word Processing
- Occupational First Aid
- ITEC : Planning and Instructing Strength & Conditioning Session
- Performance Workshops

Strength and
Conditioning coaches
can earn up to

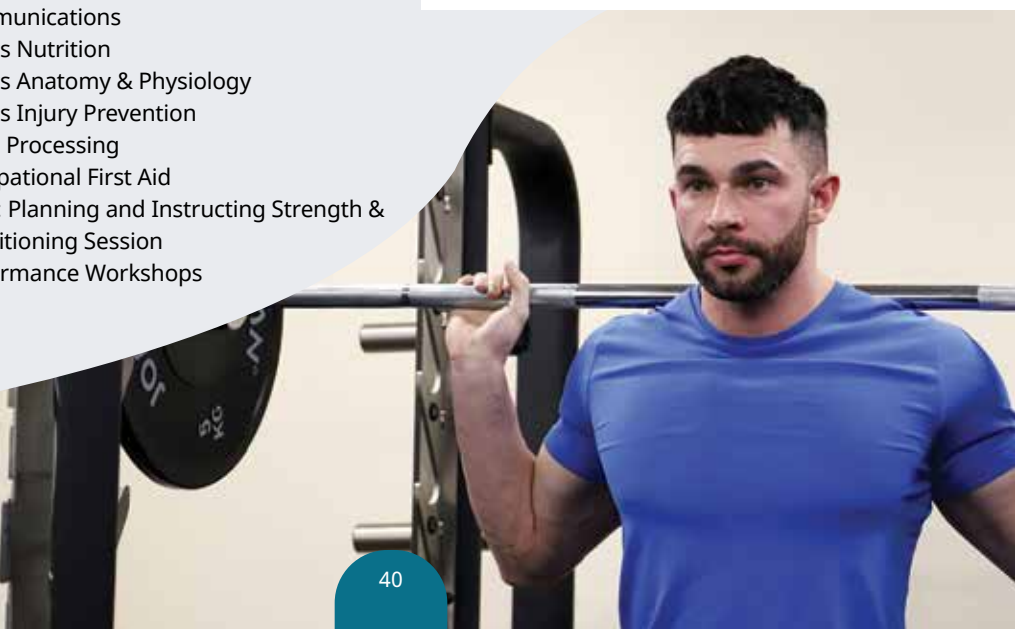
38K

per year

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Strength & Conditioning Coach | Fitness Instructor | Fitness & Conditioning Coach for Sports Teams | Leisure Attendant | Intern with Exercise Professionals | Fitness Assessor | Private Practice | Performance Analyst





SPORTS MASSAGE WITH PILATES

ITEC LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA IN SPORTS
MASSAGE

ITEC LEVEL 4 CERTIFICATE IN SPORTS
MASSAGE

ITEC LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA IN PILATES
TEACHING

Add statistic 'In Ireland, a
sports therapist can expect
to earn approximately

€48,500
per year

This course will provide learners with the necessary qualifications to successfully complete sports massages and treat soft tissue injuries and insults. It will also enable learners to provide rehabilitation exercises to injured clients and to deliver matwork pilates classes on a one-to-one or group basis.

COURSE CONTENT

- ITEC Anatomy & Physiology
- ITEC Pilates Teaching
- Principle of Exercise
- Professional Conduct and Business Awareness
- Supporting Clients in Exercise and Physical Activity
- Sports Massage to prevent and manage injury
- Understanding the principles of soft tissue dysfunction
- Conducting subjective and objective assessment
- Treatment modalities to support soft tissue repair

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Sports Massage Therapist | Pilates Instructor | Physiotherapy Clinics | Leisure Centres | Pilates Studios | Holistic Centres | Health Centres



SPORTS, EXERCISE & COACHING

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M5146 QQI LEVEL 5 SPORTS, RECREATION & EXERCISE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY SPORTS COACHING AWARDS FIRST AID RESPONDER (PHECC & HSA ACCREDITED)

88%

of graduates have
progressed to work and/
or further study

If you enjoy working with people, have an interest in the areas of sport and exercise and are highly energised and motivated, this course is for you. Gain real, practical experience through coaching and instructing in sport and exercise, while developing your knowledge, skills and confidence in the area.

Completing this course leads to a world of opportunities for employment and/or further studies in this dynamic and exciting sector.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Leisure Attendant | Youth and Community Work | Soccer Coach | Basketball Coach | Gaelic Football Coach | Sports Retail | Sports Development | Sports Officer

COURSE CONTENT

- Exercise & Fitness
- Sport & Recreation Studies
- Sports Anatomy & Physiology
- Sports & Exercise Injury Prevention
- Nutrition
- Soccer Coaching
- Gaelic Coaching
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Sports Psychology
- ITEC Strength & Conditioning
- First Aid Responder

Additional:

- National Governing Body Sports Coaching Awards (Gaa Foundation Award) (Soccer PDP1 / PDP2)



TOURISM WITH CABIN CREW & AIRLINE STUDIES

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M5011 QQI LEVEL 5 TOURISM WITH BUSINESS

IAOT CERTIFICATE IN INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL INDUSTRY STUDIES

Tourism and the hospitality industry are experiencing rapid growth in Ireland and further afield. Graduates from this course will be well equipped to work in these fast paced sectors. A wide range of exciting opportunities await graduates from working in the airline business as cabin Crew or Ground Staff to working in hotels, bars, restaurants and events both big and small.

COURSE CONTENT

- Tourism Principles & Practice
- Tourism Information & Administration,
- Customer Service
- Work Experience
- Word Processing
- Food Preparation
- Restaurant Hospitality
- Event Management
- Ready for Take Off

88%

of graduates have progressed to work and/or further study

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Cabin Crew Member | Passenger Service Agent | Airport Security | Event Management | Restaurant Supervisor | Conference & Banqueting





YOGA & PILATES TEACHER TRAINING

ITEC DIPLOMA IN YOGA TEACHING ITEC DIPLOMA IN PILATES TEACHING

This course will provide qualifications to become a Yoga and Pilates teacher while gaining an understanding of the Holistic Approach to health and well-being.

There are currently

135

job opportunities as a
yoga teacher in Ireland

COURSE CONTENT

Core Modules (Mornings)

- Yoga Teaching
- Pilates Teaching
- Principles of Exercise
- Fitness and Health
- Supporting Clients in Exercise and Physical Activity
- Health and Safety
- Professional Conduct and Business Awareness
- Anatomy and Physiology

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Yoga Studios | Pilates Studios | Spa's | Cruise Liners | Holistic Health Centres/ Clinics | Leisure Centres | Sports & Fitness Centres | Hotels | Self Employment





ENGINEERING & SCIENCE

- Advanced Animal Science (Level 6)
- Animal Science & Care
- Architectural Technology & Design
- Biomedical & Pharmaceutical Science
- Canine Obedience & Training **NEW 2025**
- Carpentry & Construction Studies
- Engineering Technology
- Environmental & Sustainability Studies
- Forensic Science **NEW 2025**
- Furniture Design & Making
- Pre-Apprenticeship Skills
- Science & Laboratory Techniques

ADVANCED ANIMAL SCIENCE (LEVEL 6)

PATHWAY TO HIGHER EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO EMPLOYMENT



6M5153 LEVEL 6 QQI ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN ANIMAL SCIENCE

The aim of this programme is to provide the learner with the opportunity to acquire the knowledge, skills and competence to work independently and/or in a management or supervisory role within animal related industries.

Almost **3** quarters

of Irish pet owners have seen an improvement in their mental health since welcoming their furry friends into their home

COURSE CONTENT

- Animal Science and Health
- Customer Service
- Work Experience
- Wild Animal Management
- Animal Grooming
- Animal Behaviour
- Kennel & Cattery Management
- Communications

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in various roles including:

Veterinary Assistant | Dog Groomer | Zookeeper Assistant | Dog Warden | Boarding Kennels Owner/Assistant | Animal Rescue Assistant



PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



ANIMAL SCIENCE & CARE

5M2768 QQI LEVEL 5 ANIMAL SCIENCE

Animal Science & Care provides the student with the skills, experience and knowledge to make an informed choice regarding continuing their studies or progressing into employment. Whether your interests lie in the animal care sector, animal grooming or veterinary nursing, studying Animal Science is a pathway that allows access to all of these opportunities.

Experienced Dog Groomers (self-employed) typically earn

€35K
per annum

COURSE CONTENT

- Animal Welfare
- Small Animal Husbandry & Housing
- Animal Grooming
- Biology
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Animal Behaviour
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Veterinary Assisting Skills
- Canine Obedience & Training

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in various roles including:

Veterinary Assistant | Dog Grooming Assistant | Animal Care Industry | Zoo Keeping Assistant | Dog Warden | Boarding Kennels Assistant | Agriculture





ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY & DESIGN

5M1940 QQI LEVEL 5 IN COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN

Pre-University Architecture provides learners with the opportunity to enhance their competencies, skills and understanding required for architectural design. Students can use this QQI level 5 programme to gain entry to different Nursing Degree courses at university level. Learners will become familiar with fundamentals of architectural design, consideration of construction materials and how to fully meet the needs of the client.

Due to a shortage of architects in the workforce, architecture is one of the most sought-after programmes in Ireland

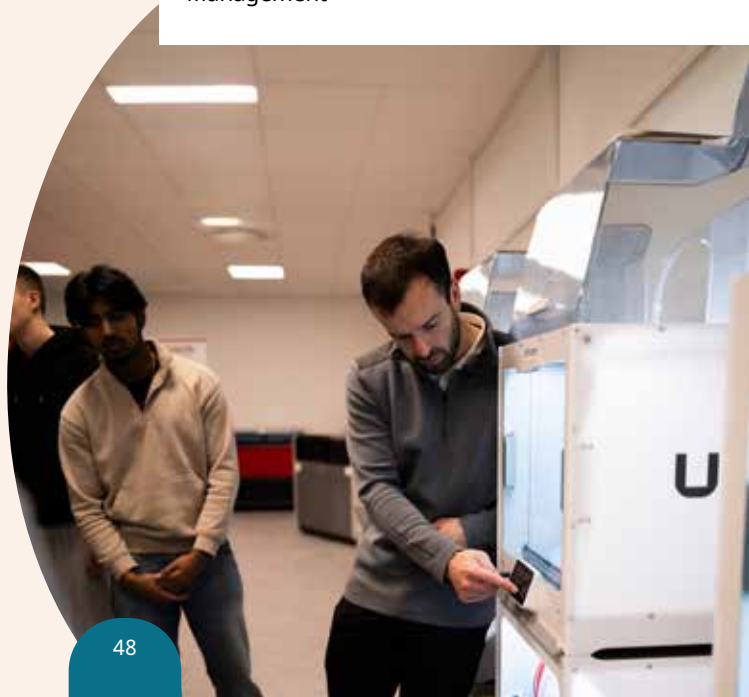
COURSE CONTENT

- Computer Aided Design
- Design Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Mathematics
- Architectural Drawing
- Building Construction
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Materials Science

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Architecture programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Architecture | Engineering | Quantity Surveying | Building Information Modelling | Planning Building Services | CAD | Project Management



BIOMEDICAL & PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M3807 QQI LEVEL 5 LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

This course provides learners with the practical skills, knowledge and experience to progress in this exciting and growing area. The course provides learners with an introduction to laboratory skills, medical terminology, sterilisation practises and chemistry through both science-based fieldwork and practical laboratory work. This allows learners to develop the knowledge, skills and techniques required for work in modern health sciences or alternatively as a pathway to various related degree programmes.

>24K

People in the Leinster region are employed in the 'Biomedical and Pharmaceutical' sector

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Laboratory Science | Pharmaceutical Industry | Bioscience | Physics | Chemistry

COURSE CONTENT

- Laboratory Skills
- Chemistry
- Safety and Health at Work
- Biology
- Maths for STEM
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Mechanics
- Physics



PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



CANINE OBEDIENCE & TRAINING

5M2768 QQI LEVEL 5 ANIMAL SCIENCE

This course will give learners the knowledge and skills necessary to work effectively with their own dogs or to progress professionally as a dog trainer. Handling dogs responsibly will be a focus of the course to enable learners progress to any of the animal care industry roles.

Specialist careers in dog training include service dog training and animal behaviourist and cost customers from

€50
per hour

COURSE CONTENT

- Animal Welfare
- Small Animal Husbandry & Housing
- Animal Grooming
- Biology
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Animal Behaviour
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Veterinary Assisting Skills
- Canine Obedience & Training

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in various roles including:

Dog Trainer | Dog Warden | Canine Behaviourist | Dog Kennel Manager | Dog Groomer | Veterinary Assistant



CARPENTRY & CONSTRUCTION STUDIES

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



PATHWAY TO
APPRENTICESHIP



5M5010 QQI LEVEL 5 CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

Equip yourself with relevant skills to begin a career in construction. Employers are seeking apprentices who have basic qualifications in Maths, CAD and Communication skills to add to their chosen trade. There is a massive increase in the number of apprenticeships available at the moment, so make sure you are ready to take that step by embarking on a building construction course.

47K

of graduates have progressed to work and/or further study

COURSE CONTENT

- Building Construction
- Building Services
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Wood Fabrication
- Design Skills
- Maths for STEM
- Communications
- Computer Aided Drafting
- Engineering Workshop Processes
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Engineering | Plumbing | Building Construction | Wood Manufacturing & Finishing | Building Surveying | Quantity Surveying | Metal Fabrication | Carpentry | Joinery | Pipe Fitting | Tool Making | Computing



ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



PATHWAY TO
APPRENTICESHIP



5M2061 QQI LEVEL 5 ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Engineers are the innovators and problem solvers of the modern era. From simple to complex structures, a door handle to a supercar, an engineer has been involved from concept design to production. This course is designed to equip learners with the skills and knowledge to enter employment at apprenticeship level or progress onto professional engineering programmes at various universities and Institutes of Technology.

80%

of graduates
progress to Higher
Education

COURSE CONTENT

- Computer Aided Design
- Maths For STEM
- Mechanics
- Materials Science
- Engineering Workshop Processes
- Engineering Workshop Theory
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Safe Pass Training

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Engineering Machine Operative |
Engineering Technician – Civil | Engineering
Technician – Electrical | Engineering
Technician – Mechanical | Engineering Craft
Machinist | Building Services Engineering
Technician | Agricultural Technician
| Advanced Manufacturing Technician



ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES

5M5028 QQI LEVEL 5 IN APPLIED ECOLOGY

Have you an interest or concern regarding the quality of our environment? Want to learn about national and global issues related to sustainability and climate change? Would you like to learn how to make improvements to our environment for the benefit of current and future generations? If this is of interest to you why not begin Environmental and Sustainability Studies at OFI College.

We are experiencing a shift toward stricter environmental standards in many areas of society and industry, including waste minimisation, waste management, energy consumption, recycling and water quality.

COURSE CONTENT

- Sustainable Water Management
- Ecological Field Methods
- Biological Diversity
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Environmental Studies
- Soil Science & Growing Media
- Applied Permaculture/Permaculture Design
- Plant Identification & Use

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Conservation Services | National Parks
| Environmental Agencies | Wildlife Trusts or other related organisations





FORENSIC SCIENCE

5M3807 QQI LEVEL 5 LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

This course provides learners with the knowledge and practical skills to analyse and understand scientific evidence in a laboratory setting. Forensic evidence is used to enhance investigative work which may be required by the judicial system.

Employment in this area is projected to grow

14%

from 2023 - 2030

COURSE CONTENT

- Criminology
- Laboratory Techniques
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Criminal Law
- Microbiology
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Laboratory Assistant | Research | Public Sector Employment | Laboratory Science



FURNITURE DESIGN & MAKING

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION

PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT

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APPRENTICESHIP



5M2012 QQI LEVEL 5 FURNITURE DESIGN & MAKING

This one year programme is designed for those who are interested in working with natural materials and explore designing their own small scale wood based projects. Potential students who have a desire and flair to be creative, thrive in this area. Students will first explore a range of hand tools that vary across the furniture industry, then progress from there with other methods. There are lots opportunities in this course to develop further in forging a career within the furniture and wood employment sector or alternatively, progress onto further and higher education studies.

Experienced furniture designers can earn up to

€55k
per year

COURSE CONTENT

- Furniture Making
- Design Skills
- Drawing
- Computer Aided Draughting
- Veneering and Marquetry
- Wood Fabrication
- Wood Finishing
- Wood Turning
- Maths

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may pursue a career in furniture manufacturing/woodworking industries, or in the areas of furniture design or product design. This course also provides entry to a range of related degree courses in universities and technological universities such as: TU Dublin, ATU Letterfrack , DKIT, SETU, TUS & MTU(Cork).



PRE-APPRENTICESHIP SKILLS

PATHWAY TO
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PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



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5M5010 QQI LEVEL 5 CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

Equip yourself with relevant skills to begin an apprenticeship in a range of areas. Employers are seeking apprentices who have basic qualifications in Maths, Computers and Communication skills to add to their chosen trade. There is a massive increase in the number of apprenticeships available at the moment, so make sure you are ready to take that step by embarking on a pre-apprenticeship course.

By 2025 Ireland
hope to support

50K
apprentices/
trainees

COURSE CONTENT

- Electronics with Robotics
- Engineering Workshop Processes
- Wood Fabrication
- Computer Aided Design
- Maths for STEM Communications
- Building Construction
- Building Services
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Electrician | Engineering | Plumbing | Motor Mechanics | Wood Manufacturing & Finishing | Metal Fabrication | Carpentry | Joinery | Pipe Fitting | Tool Making | Computing





SCIENCE & LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

5M3807 QQI LEVEL 5 LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

Are you interested in a career in science? This programme provides students with the skills required to obtain employment in laboratories or other science related disciplines such as pharmaceutical science, biochemical engineering or biotechnology. In our rapidly evolving society, science graduates have the opportunity to influence and shape the world we live in today.

60%

progression rate to
third level science and
science related degrees

COURSE CONTENT

- Laboratory Skills
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Mechanics
- Maths for STEM
- Communications
- Safety and Health at Work
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Laboratory Science | Pharmaceutical Industry | Bioscience | Physics | Chemistry





PRE-UNIVERSITY

- Pre-Garda & Security Studies
- Pre-University Accounting & Finance
- Pre-University Animal Science
- Pre-University Architecture
- Pre-University Arts
- Pre-University Arts with Journalism NEW 2025
- Pre-University Business
- Pre-University Business with Sport & Exercise
- Pre-University Computing with Networks & Cyber Security
- Pre-University Law
- Pre-University Marketing & Business
- Pre-University Music and Sound
- Pre-University Nursing with Midwifery
- Pre-University Occupational Therapy
- Pre-University PE & Science Teaching NEW 2025
- Pre-University Physiotherapy
- Pre-University Science
- Pre-University Sports Science
- Pre-University Teaching
- Pre-University Veterinary Nursing NEW 2025

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PRE-GARDA & SECURITY STUDIES

5M2110 QQI LEVEL 5 SECURITY STUDIES

This is the perfect course for anyone inspired to join An Garda Síochána, defence forces, security organisations or those going on to further studies in criminology, law or related degrees. With specialist content around conflict resolution, criminology and legal studies, this comprehensive course will enhance both your study & career opportunities.

There will be

6,000

new Gardaí recruited over
the next 4 years

COURSE CONTENT

- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Conflict Resolution
- Criminology
- Communications
- Security Industry Procedures
- Retail Security
- Work Experience
- Safety and Health at Work
- Outdoor Leadership and Safety

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in roles such as:

Security Guard | Security Technician | Retail Security Officer | Security Administrator | Sports Stadium Steward | Private Security | Door Security Staff | Apply for entry to An Garda Síochána, Prison Services and the Defence Forces



PRE-UNIVERSITY ACCOUNTING & FINANCE

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5M2102 QQI LEVEL 5 BUSINESS STUDIES

If you have a flair for numbers or enjoy working with finance, then this course is for you. It is designed to deliver the skills, knowledge and competencies required to assist in financial and human resource management. This specialised certificate can be used to gain direct employment within public service or private organisations, as well as to gain entry to third level degree courses at Universities and Institutes of Technology.

COURSE CONTENT

- Accounting Manual and Computerised
- Human Resources
- Payroll Manual and Computerised
- Applied Economics
- Business Administration Skills
- Business Law
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Spreadsheet Methods

Ireland is the

4th Largest

provider of Financial
Services in the EU

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Accountancy Practices | Business Administration Roles | Project Manager | Financial Clerical Officer | Accounts Administrator | Payroll Clerk | Funds Manager | HR Administrator





PRE-UNIVERSITY ANIMAL SCIENCE

5M2768 QQI LEVEL 5 ANIMAL SCIENCE

The aim of this programme is to provide the learner with the opportunity to acquire the knowledge, skills and competence to progress to a University Programme in the area of Veterinary Nursing/ Animal Science/ Science/ Agricultural Science.

Qualified veterinary nurses
can expect to earn from

€28k
per annum

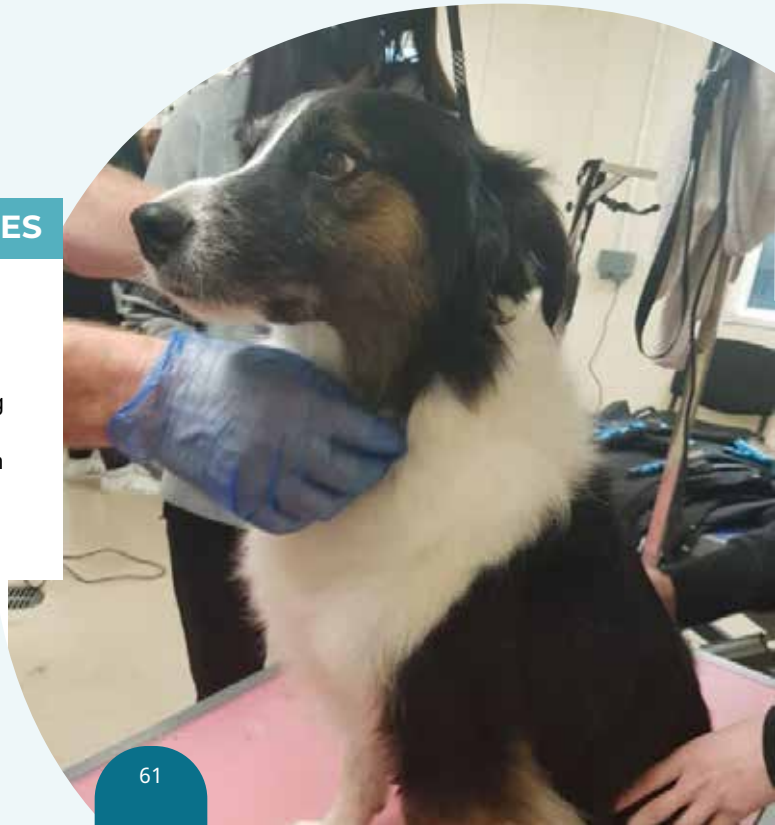
COURSE CONTENT

- Small Animal Husbandry & Housing
- Animal Anatomy & Physiology
- Animal Welfare
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Animal Grooming
- Biology
- Animal Behaviour
- Veterinary Assisting Skills
- Canine Obedience & Training

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in various roles including:

Veterinary Assistant | Dog Grooming
| Assistant Animal Care Industry |
Zoo Keeping Assistant | Dog Warden
| Boarding Kennels Assistant |
Agriculture



PRE-UNIVERSITY ARCHITECTURE

5M1940 QQI LEVEL 5 IN COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN

Pre-University Architecture provides learners with the opportunity to enhance their competencies, skills and understanding required for architectural design. Students can use this QQI level 5 programme to gain entry to different Architectural, Engineering and Construction degrees courses at university level. Learners will become familiar with fundamentals of architectural design, consideration of construction materials and how to fully meet the needs of the client.

COURSE CONTENT

- Computer Aided Design
- Design Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Mathematics
- Architectural Drawing
- Building Construction
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Materials Science

Entry level
positions start at

€65K

per year for Architecture
Construction or
Engineering disciplines

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Architecture programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Architecture | Engineering | Quantity Surveying | Building Information Modelling | Planning Building Services | CAD | Project Management | Building Surveying | Construction Technology | Construction Management”





PRE-UNIVERSITY ARTS

5M3114 QQI LEVEL 5 IN GENERAL STUDIES

Thinking about an Arts or Humanities Degree in the future? Pre-University Arts offers an effective gateway for students wishing to study Arts and Humanities at Higher Education. Pre-University Arts delivers a broad range of subjects to students which provides them with a deep insight into the variety of options available at third level. This course equips the learner with a comprehensive, interdisciplinary, and versatile footing, from which they can progress to a suitable degree programme to access their chosen career.

86%

of last year's graduates progressed to a Level 8 degree

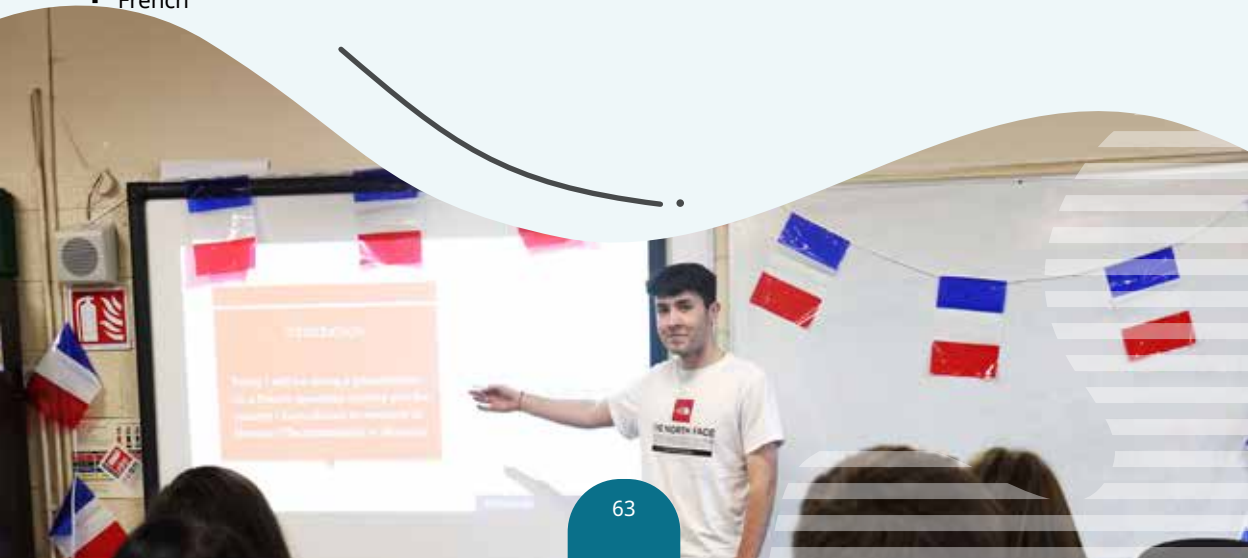
COURSE CONTENT

- Research and Study Skills
- Law
- Journalism
- English Literature
- History
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Social Studies
- French

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Arts programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Law | Counselling | Public Relations | Journalism | Curator | Translation | Social Work | Archaeology





PRE-UNIVERSITY ARTS WITH JOURNALISM

5M3114 QQI LEVEL 5 IN GENERAL STUDIES

Pre-University Arts with Journalism offers learners a foundation in the skills and knowledge required to progress to higher education within this sector. This course delivers a broad range of modules providing the learner with a great insight into areas such as journalism, humanities, teaching, editing and much more.

73%

of Irish Journalists are employed in full time permanent contracts

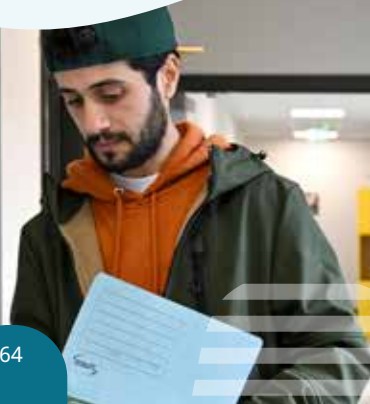
COURSE CONTENT

- Journalism
- Research & Study Skills
- English Literature
- History
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Psychology
- Law
- Social Studies

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of Pre-University Arts with Journalism, learners will have the opportunity to progress onto Higher Education in fields such as:

Journalism | Education | Humanities | Editing | Law | Psychology | Marketing



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PRE-UNIVERSITY BUSINESS

5M2102 QQI LEVEL 5 IN BUSINESS STUDIES

Pre-University Business enables learners to improve their understanding of the business world while gaining the skills necessary to progress in this field. This course introduces learners to key business techniques and concepts including; database methods, accounting practices and entrepreneurship. This programme provides a clear pathway into various career areas such as finance, commerce, accounting, and economics.

COURSE CONTENT

- Accounting Manual & Computerised
- Start Your Own Business
- Communications
- Business Administration
- Database Methods
- Economics
- Spreadsheet Methods
- Word Processing
- Work Experience

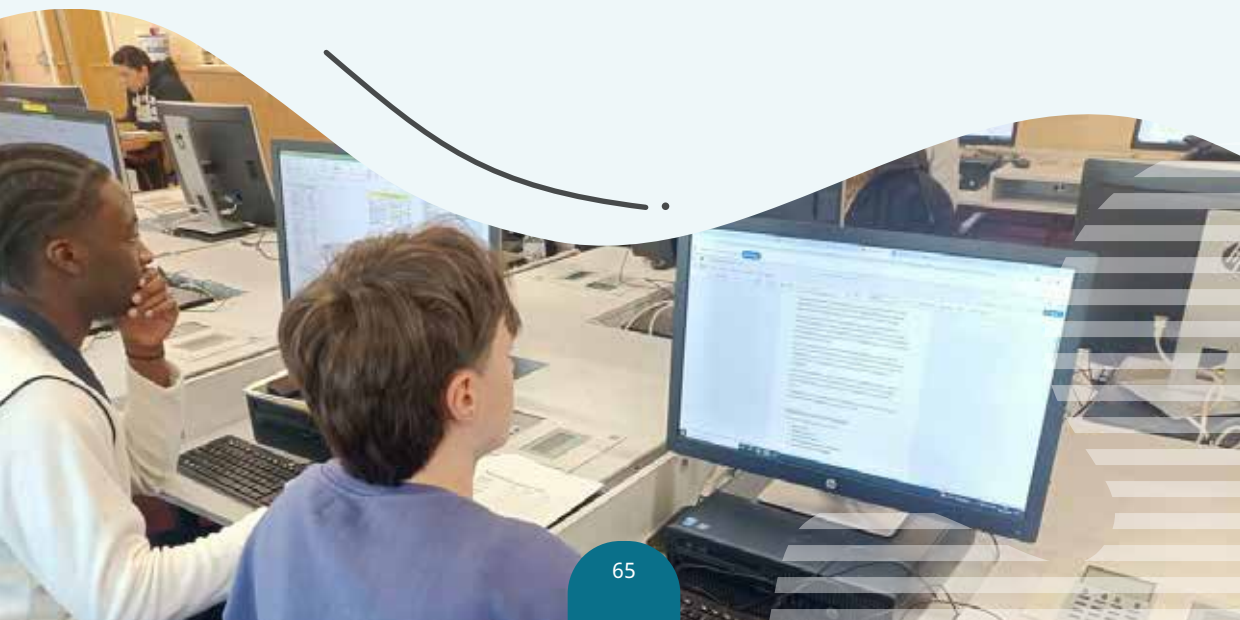
The salary range for
a business adviser is

€30k-
€85k
per annum

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Business and Accounting programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Accountancy | Financial Services |
Tax Consultancy | Economics | Retail
Management | Banking | Law | Business
Management





PRE-UNIVERSITY BUSINESS WITH SPORTS & EXERCISE

5M2102 QQI LEVEL 5 BUSINESS STUDIES

Introducing our innovative QQI Level 5 course in Pre-University Business with Sport and Exercise, designed to provide students with a comprehensive foundation in both business management and the dynamic field of sport and exercise. This programme combines essential business principles with specialised knowledge in sports and exercise science, offering a unique blend of theoretical understanding and practical skills. Students will explore key business concepts such as marketing, finance, and management, tailored specifically to the sports industry. This holistic approach not only equips students with a solid business background but also prepares them for diverse roles in the ever-growing sports and fitness sector. With experienced instructors and state-of-the-art facilities, this course promises an engaging and dynamic learning experience for those aspiring to pursue a successful career at the intersection of business and sports.

Approx.

46%

of all adults in Ireland participate in sport and physical activity, making this sector of huge importance to our economy.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Reception and Front Office | Office Administration | Clerical Officer | Retail | Banking | Accounting | Create your own Business | Sports Management | Sport & Business Manager

COURSE CONTENT

- Communication
- Work Experience
- Accounting, Manual & Computerised
- Marketing Practice
- Entrepreneurial Skills
- eBusiness
- Business Administration
- Business Law
- Exercise & Fitness
- Soccer Coaching





PRE-UNIVERSITY COMPUTING WITH NETWORKS & CYBER SECURITY

5M0529 QQI LEVEL 5 IN SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

Students enrolled in the Pre-University Computing program acquire a diverse skill set crucial for supporting, developing, and maintaining IT infrastructure. This curriculum covers various computing concepts such as programming, software applications, web design, databases, and cybersecurity. This prepares learners with the essential skills and knowledge needed to advance into a variety of degree programs within this field.

Employment in cyber security will rise by

33%

from now until 2030

COURSE CONTENT

- Computer Programming
- Work Experience
- Software Architecture
- Maths for IT
- Mobile Technologies
- Communications
- Database Methods
- Web Authoring
- Networks & Cyber Security

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Computing programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Software Engineering | Networking | IT Security & Cyber Security | Cloud Computing | Web Development | IT Consultancy | Mobile App Development | Robotics





PRE-UNIVERSITY LAW

5M3789 QQI LEVEL 5 CERTIFICATE IN LEGAL STUDIES

Law is a stimulating and dynamic subject that dominates many aspects of our lives. Laws and legal processes dictate our relationships and interactions between people, business and governments at a local, regional, national and international level. This course prepares the learner for further study in realms of business, family, or criminal law among others. Equally, it equips the student with the skills and knowledge needed to progress into employment.

COURSE CONTENT

- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Business Law
- Criminal Law
- Family Law
- Conflict Resolution
- Communications
- Word Processing
- Criminology
- Work Experience

Entry-level positions
for law start at

€70k
per annum

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Law graduates have many options open to them as they progress. With a law qualification you can progress to work in:

Chambers | Litigation | Real estate | Family court | Criminal courts

PRE-UNIVERSITY MARKETING & BUSINESS

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EMPLOYMENT



5M2069 QQI LEVEL 5 MARKETING

Marketing businesses online in Ireland has seen remarkable growth since Covid 19 as more customers are shopping online. You will learn the latest social media, design, marketing and AI skills on this course as more businesses shift to online payments and digital advertising for products and services. Land a career as a sought-after Digital Marketing Executive, shaping the online and social media presence of diverse businesses, agencies and charities. Digital Marketing graduates can begin on a salary of €35,000, while seasoned Marketing professionals can earn up to €90,000.

COURSE CONTENT

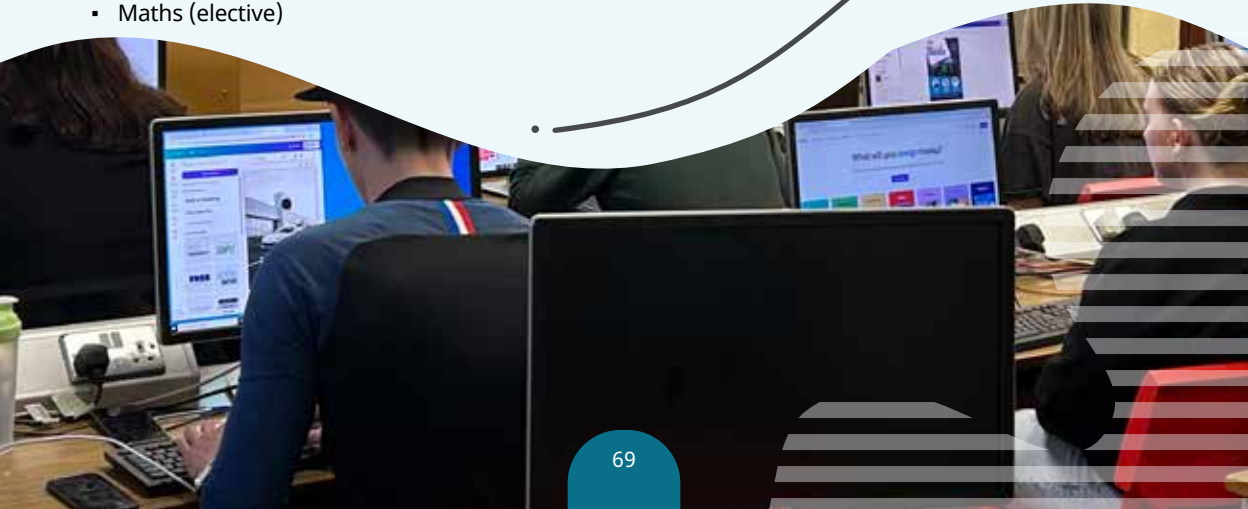
- Advertising
- Marketing Practice
- Public Relations
- Digital Marketing
- Accountancy Manual & Computerised
- Behavioural Studies
- Work Experience
- Applied Economics
- Communications
- Maths (elective)

86%

of Marketing graduates
have progressed to
work or further study

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Business Management | Social Media Management for Business | eBusiness | Digital Marketing Executive | Public Relations | Sales & Advertising | Independent Marketing Consultancy | Market Research | Entrepreneurship | Marketing Agencies | AI Marketing Strategist



PRE-UNIVERSITY MUSIC & SOUND

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M2011 QQI LEVEL 5 MUSIC

The Music Performance & Production course has been designed to prepare learners for opportunities in the Music Industry. This is achieved by providing learners with essential music theory, an introduction to recording skills, music practice, event production and a broad insight into the Music Industry.

The average pay for a musician is

€58,690

per annum.

Wages may be earned per hour or through royalties paid for composition or performance

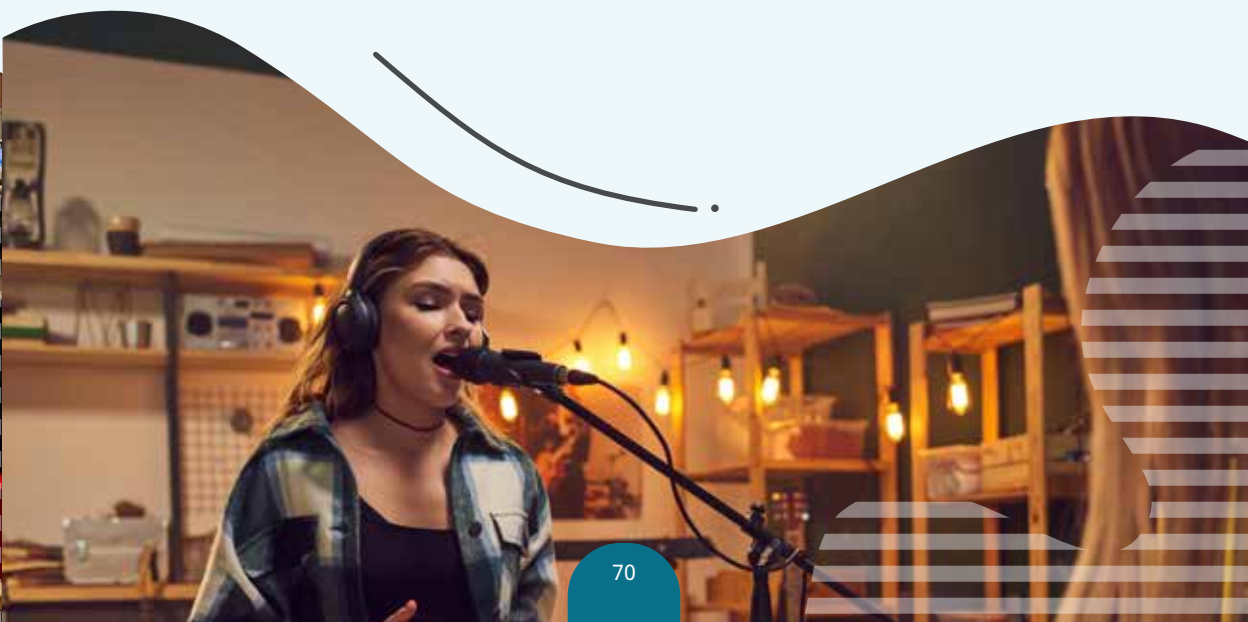
COURSE CONTENT

- Music Industry Studies
- Music Theory and Practice
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Music Performance
- Event Production
- Desktop Multimedia Audio Production
- Musicianship
- Music Technology

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Music Producer | Recording Engineer | Artist Manager | Tour Manager | Booking Agent | Music Publicist | Composer | Radio broadcaster/engineer | Podcaster | Music Arranger | Performer | Teacher



PRE-UNIVERSITY NURSING WITH MIDWIFERY

PATHWAY TO
HIGHER
EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO
EMPLOYMENT



5M4349 QQI LEVEL 5 NURSING STUDIES

The Pre-University Nursing Studies with Midwifery programme is a one-year course for students wishing to train as nurses both here in Ireland and in the UK. Students can use this QQI Level 5 programme to gain entry to any of the 5 Nursing degree courses - General Nursing, Mental Health, Intellectual Disability Nursing, Midwifery or Childrens Nursing. It provides a solid foundation in Nursing theory and practice and allows students to accurately assess their suitability for a career in nursing. Students will go on work experience in a hospital or nursing home where they will practice their skills. Applications are also invited from mature students wishing to pursue a career in nursing.

COURSE CONTENT

- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Human Growth and Development
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Care Skills
- Care of the Older person

Additional Certification:

- First Aid Responder
- Patient Moving and Handling
- Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults

The annual salary
for nursing is

€31k-
€50k
per annum

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can progress to employment in various areas including a nursing home, healthcare agency, home help and hospitals as a qualified healthcare assistant after successfully completing this course.





PRE-UNIVERSITY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

5M3782 QQI LEVEL 5 HEALTH SERVICE SKILLS

CERTIFICATE IN MOVING & HANDLING, INFECTION

PREVENTION & CONTROL AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

Qualified Occupational
Therapist Assistants
can earn up to

€32k
per annum

This course is aimed at learners who love the challenge of problem solving and helping people in practical ways to complete Activities of Daily Living. The specialist programme will guide learners to work as an assistant in an Occupational Therapy Department or as part of a Multi-Disciplinary Team. The role provides support to older, injured, ill or disabled patients to enable them to partake in everyday activities.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in locations such as hospitals, community settings, nursing homes, rehabilitation centres, in client's homes, day-care facilities or residential settings. Once qualified you can apply for a job as one of the following:

Occupational Therapist Assistant |
Occupational Therapy Technical Instructor
| Rehab Support Worker Hospitals &
Community | Activity Coordinator | Care
Assistant in Disability Services | Homecare
Assistant | Healthcare Assistant

COURSE CONTENT

- Care Support
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Practice
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Theory
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Communications
- Human Growth & Development
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Work Experience
- Nursing Theory and Practice
- First Aid





PRE-UNIVERSITY PE & SCIENCE TEACHING

QQI LEVEL 5 SPORT, RECREATION, FITNESS

This course provides learners with knowledge and practical skills of the sports, fitness and science sectors to enable progression to higher education in these fields. Learners will engage in a range of both theory and skills based activities to gain the fundamental knowledge of these subject areas.

Many countries, including Ireland are prioritising Physical Education subjects for students

COURSE CONTENT

- Sport & Recreation Studies
- Exercise & Fitness
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Nutrition
- Biology
- Sport Psychology
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

This course will allow successful candidates to progress to employment in areas including:

Teaching | Sports and Fitness | Education | Sports Centres | Humanities | Community and Youth Work



PRE-UNIVERSITY PHYSIOTHERAPY

PATHWAY TO
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5M5146 QQI LEVEL 5 IN SPORTS, RECREATION & EXERCISE

Pre-University Physiotherapy would be ideal for any learners wishing to advance their education and progress to a career in physiotherapy. Learners develop the skills needed for assessing and treating clients whose movement is restricted by injury, illness or disability. This course provides an excellent foundation in the fundamentals of physiotherapy and develops the necessary skills required to progress to higher education.

COURSE CONTENT

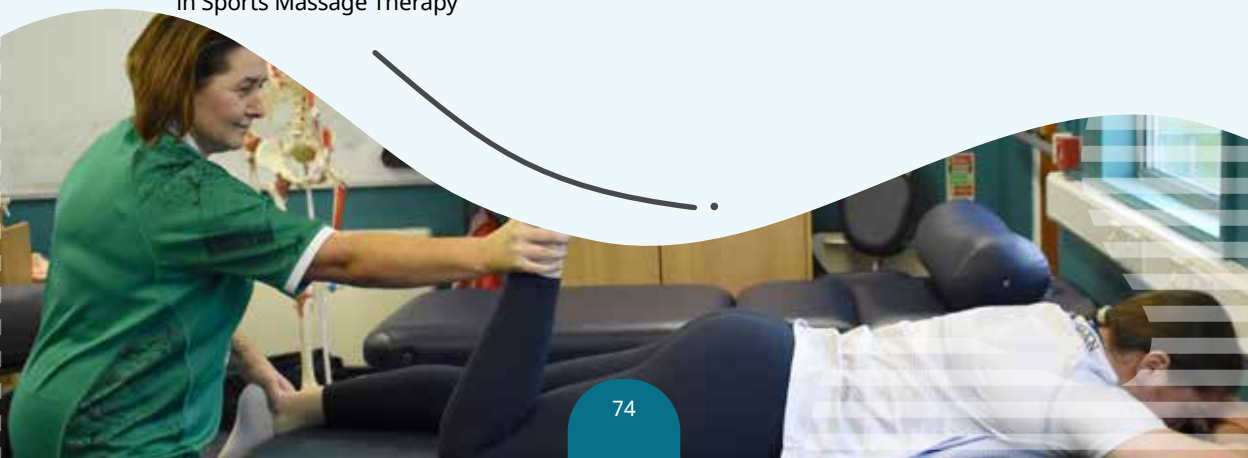
- ITEC Anatomy and Physiology
- Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- Physiotherapy Assistant Theory
- Sport & Recreation Studies
- Customer Service
- Kinesiology
- Work Experience
- Exercise & Fitness
- Nutrition
- Sports Massage
- First Aid Responder
- ITEC Level 3 Diploma & Level 4 Certificate in Sports Massage Therapy

In Ireland the
average salary for
Physiotherapy Assistant is

€38k
per annum

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Sports physiotherapist | Women's health physiotherapist | Sports massage therapist | Sports rehabilitator | Osteopath | Craniosacral therapist | Sports physiologist





PRE-UNIVERSITY SCIENCE

5M3807 QQI LEVEL 5 IN LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

This programme has been designed specifically to support students in achieving the entry requirements for studying Science based programmes at Higher Education. This programme offers learners a mixture of classroom based subjects, laboratory techniques and industry based experience. This programme provides a clear pathway into a range of science related degree programmes.

COURSE CONTENT

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Laboratory Skills
- Mechanics
- Maths for STEM
- Communications
- Health and Safety at Work
- Work Experience

All of the world's

25

largest Biotech
& Pharma companies
have a significant
presence in Ireland

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Science/Agricultural Science programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Laboratory Science | Pharmaceutical Industry | Bioscience | Physics | Chemistry





PRE-UNIVERSITY SPORTS SCIENCE

PRE-UNIVERSITY SPORTS SCIENCE

If you are interested in how athletes achieve success from a human body and movement point of view or how the human body responds to physical activity, then this course is for you. Pre-University Sports Science course is engaging, and it will develop your knowledge, skills and confidence in the area.

Sports Science is fast becoming one of the most popular subjects to study at both undergraduate and postgraduate level.

COURSE CONTENT

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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

PE Teaching | Sports Scientist | Wellness Coordinator | Sports Coach | Sports Development Coordinator | Sports Development Officer | Fitness Consultant | Athletics Manager





PRE-UNIVERSITY TEACHING

5M3114 QQI LEVEL 5 IN GENERAL STUDIES

Pre-University Teaching lays the foundation for those who wish to progress to a career in education. Learners in the Pre-University Teaching programme will enhance their skills, knowledge and practical experience prior to progressing to higher education. This dynamic course provides progression opportunities to degree courses in various disciplines including teaching, arts and humanities.

COURSE CONTENT

- Research and Study Skills
- Education and Training Concepts
- English Literature
- Law
- Journalism
- Psychology
- History
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Irish (Optional)

86%

of last year's graduates
progressed to a
Level 8 degree

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Following the successful completion of the Pre-University Teaching programme, you may progress to a degree which can lead to a career in:

Post Primary Teaching | Further Education Teaching | Law | Counselling | Journalism | Education Consultant | Special Educational Needs Teaching | Psychology



PRE-UNIVERSITY VETERINARY NURSING

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5M2768 QQI LEVEL 5 ANIMAL SCIENCE

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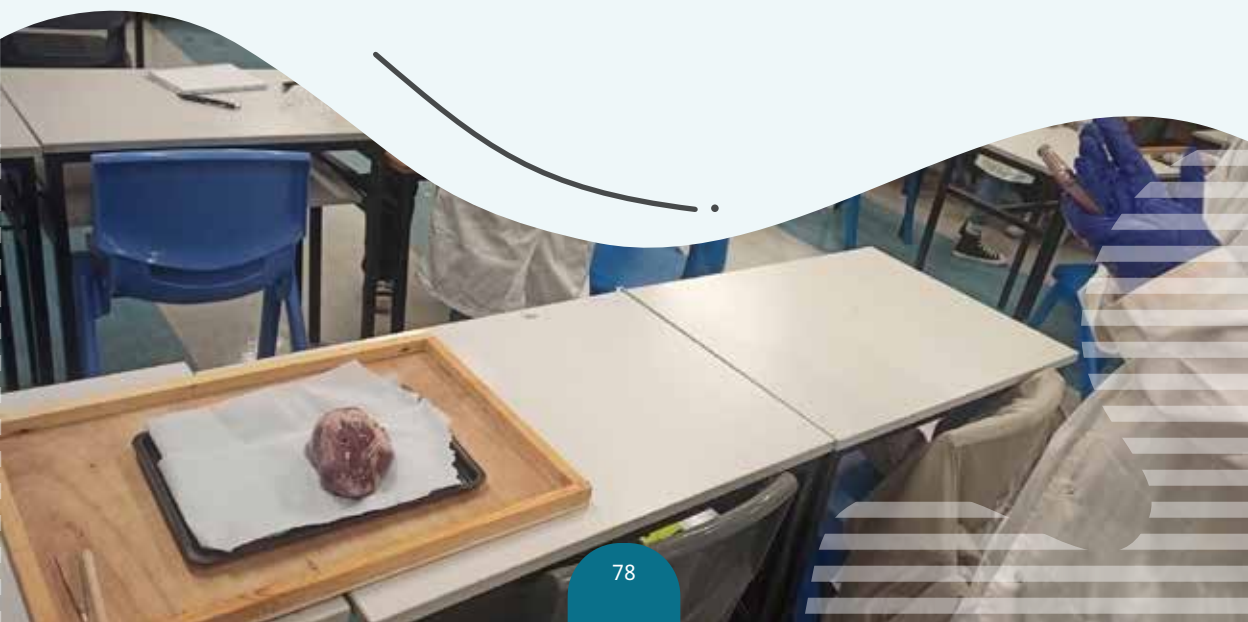
COURSE CONTENT

- Small Animal Husbandry & Housing
- Animal Anatomy & Physiology
- Animal Welfare
- Work Experience
- Communications
- Animal Grooming
- Biology
- Animal Behaviour
- Veterinary Assisting Skills
- Canine Obedience & Training

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in various roles including:

Veterinary Nurse | Veterinary Assistant | Dog Grooming Assistant | Animal Care Industry | Zoo Keeping Assistant | Dog Warden | Boarding Kennels Assistant | Agriculture





CHILDCARE & HEALTHCARE

Advanced Early Learning & Care (Level 6)

Advanced Health & Social Studies (Level 6)

Advanced Health Service Supervisory Management **NEW 2025**

Applied Psychology and Social Studies

Criminology & Psychology

Early Learning & Care (Year 1)

Emergency Services (Pre-Paramedic Fire & Ambulance)

Healthcare Assistant

Nursing Studies

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Physiotherapy Assistant **NEW 2025**

Pre-Paramedic Training **NEW 2025**

SNA with Early Learning & Care (Year 1)

Speech & Language Therapy Assistant **NEW 2025**

Youth Work & Social Studies (with SNA)

ADVANCED EARLY LEARNING & CARE (LEVEL 6)

PATHWAY TO HIGHER EDUCATION



PATHWAY TO EMPLOYMENT



QQI LEVEL 6 CERTIFICATE IN EARLY LEARNING & CARE

This programme is aimed at learners who wish to extend their knowledge, skills and competencies, and are interested in a career in Early Learning and Care with Children aged 0 - 6 years. Students will be qualified to work as a Room Leader, Supervisors in Early Learning & Care settings, and progressing to Management. Entry Requirements: Applicants for this course must have successfully achieved a Level 5 award in Early Learning & Care or equivalent.

Graduates may seek employment with

100+

registered childcare providers in Co. Louth

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in a range of Early Learning and Care setting across the public and private sector in Ireland and abroad such as:

Early Years Educator | Management Role in Early Learning & Care Setting
Preschool Educator | Montessori Teacher | Aims Support Worker | Afterschool Teacher | Childminding | Au Pair | Summer Camp Facilitator Tutor

COURSE CONTENT

- Advanced Professional Practice Placements in Early Learning and Care
- Sociology and Social Policy in Early Learning and Care
- The Developing Child
- Curriculum and Pedagogy
- Inclusive Early Learning and Care
- Supervision and Administration Skills in ELC
- A minimum of 150 hours of professional practice placement must be completed.





ADVANCED HEALTH & SOCIAL STUDIES (LEVEL 6)

6M2218 QQI LEVEL 6 SOCIAL & VOCATIONAL INTEGRATION

If you hold a QQI Level 5 Health related award such as Healthcare Support, Nursing Studies or a QQI Social Studies Level 5 award in Applied Psychology and Social Studies or Youthwork, then why not take the opportunity to undertake further studies in advanced health and social studies. Our Level 6 award will equip you, the learner, with the necessary knowledge, skills and competence to undertake roles in person centred care and healthcare environments.

Thousands of additional health and social care workers are going to be needed to deal with our growing and ageing population

COURSE CONTENT

- Mental Health Awareness
- Disability Awareness
- Person Centred Planning,
- Rehabilitation Practice
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Learning Difficulty Awareness
- Health Promotion
- Special needs assisting

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Social Care | Youth and Community Organisers | Rehabilitation | Elderly Care | Community Intervention | Health Science and Nutrition | Youth Work Leader Disability | Direct Support Worker | Community Care Organisers



ADVANCED HEALTH SERVICE SUPERVISORY MANAGEMENT (LEVEL 6)

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6M4978 QQI LEVEL 6 HEALTH SERVICES SUPERVISORY MANAGEMENT SKILLS

This course will facilitate the learner to explore supervisory roles within the Health Service with a view to reskilling/up-skilling and exploring concepts and subject areas required for future employment. Learners will gain the knowledge and skills to apply a range of supervisory management concepts, theories and techniques to a supervisory management role in the provision of health services.

The numbers of managers working in the health service has grown by

35%

over the last 5 years.

COURSE CONTENT

- Conflict Management
- Supervisory Management
- Leadership
- Work Experience
- Gerontology
- Managing People
- Person Centred Planning
- Health Promotion

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates may progress to higher education or employment in managerial roles in the following areas:

Health Care Support | Home Care | Elderly Care | Disability Services | Day Care Services





APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY & SOCIAL STUDIES

5M2181 APPLIED SOCIAL STUDIES

This course will give learners insights into the areas of Psychology and Social Studies. It provides a combination of theoretical and practical training in the sectors of social care, community and intellectual disabilities. Students will learn about the roles and responsibilities of working in the community, as well as enhancing their computer, communication and first aid skills.

92%

of students progress to
third level education

COURSE CONTENT

- Psychology
- Intercultural Studies
- Social Studies
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Human Growth & Development
- Young People & Society
- Intellectual Disability Studies
- Care Provision & Practice

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Employment opportunities open to graduates include:

Nursing Home Support Assistant | Apply for entry to An Garda Síochána and Defence Forces | ID Caring Services | Youth, Family and Community Work | Charities | Shelters



CRIMINOLOGY & PSYCHOLOGY

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5M3789 QQI LEGAL STUDIES

Criminology and Psychology provides a unique insight into the world of crime, deviance, morality, conflict and justice. With a specific focus on the psychological, cultural and addiction risk factors associated with crime, this specialist course will provide the learner with the relevant skills, knowledge and experience needed to progress to education or work in forensic settings such as policing or prisons; legal settings such as a courtroom or chambers; or health and justice agencies.

The average salary
for a Crime Scene
Investigator in Ireland is

€76,543
per year

COURSE CONTENT

- Psychology
- Criminology
- Word Processing
- Business Law
- Legal Practice & Procedures
- Communications
- Conflict Resolution
- Work Experience
- Criminal Law

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Criminology and Psychology provides excellent progression to a career in social care, the Gardai, hospitals, research or working in a law practice administration.

Psychology graduates have many options to them as they progress. With a background in psychology, you can work in hospitals, prisons, schools, research, human resources, among other settings.



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EARLY LEARNING & CARE (YEAR 1)

5M21473 QQI LEVEL 5 PROFESSIONAL AWARD IN EARLY LEARNING & CARE

This one year full time programme will provide the learner with the professional qualification now required to work in the Early Learning and Care sector. The course is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to work with children in a variety of settings. Learners will gain an insight into how children learn and develop through class participation and professional practice placement in Early Learning and Care settings.

In 2024, the allocation for early learning and childcare will be

€1.10bn

a €83 million (8%) increase on last year's allocation

COURSE CONTENT

- Professional Practice Placement in ELC
- Children's Rights, Legislation and Regulation
- Holistic Care of Children (Birth to Six Years)
- Early Childhood Growth and Development
- Curriculum, Play and Creative Studies
- Understanding and Assisting Children with Additional Needs

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in a range of Early Learning and Care setting across the public and private sector in Ireland and abroad such as:

Early Years Educator | Preschool Educator | Montessori Teacher | Aims Support Worker | Afterschool Teacher | Childminding | Au Pair | Summer Camp Facilitator



EMERGENCY SERVICES (PRE-PARAMEDIC FIRE & AMBULANCE)

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5M4468 QQI LEVEL 5 COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

Can you see yourself as a Firefighter, Paramedic, or working in the emergency services? Are you calm, work well under pressure and have a desire to help people? Do you want to work in a caring environment? Are you currently a member of the many volunteer organisations and enjoy the experience? Or would you like to progress to study for a degree? If Yes, then this is the course for you.

COURSE CONTENT

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Safety & Health at work
- Emergency Department Care Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Infection Prevention & Control
- Mathematics
- Nursing Theory and Practice Care Skills

Additional Training:

- PHECC Emergency First Responder (EFR)
 - PHECC First Aid Responder
 - Manual Handling/Patient
 - ROSPA - Fire warden training
- OFI can facilitate further training such as EMT training in addition to providing pathways that allows students gain experience with voluntary organisations such as Irish Red Cross, Civil Defence and The Order of MALTA.

Earn an average of

€47,603

as a Dublin
Firefighter Paramedic

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Application to Fire and Rescue for local recruitment training and career progression.



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HEALTHCARE ASSISTANT

5M4339 QOI LEVEL 5 HEALTH CARE SUPPORT

This one-year course will prepare participants for work with people in a hospital, long term care home, community development, residential care setting or respite care and nursing homes. This programme is ideal for both school leavers and experienced mature persons seeking to further their education. The completion of work placement as part of the program, will equip students with practical hands-on experience.

76%

of graduates secured
employment

COURSE CONTENT

- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Care of the Older Person
- Care Skills
- Human Growth & Development
- Care Support
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety & Health at Work
- Communications
- Work Experience

Additional

- Safe Guarding Vulnerable Adults
- Infection Prevention Control
- First Aid Responder
- Patient Moving and Handling
- Hand Hygiene and Infection Control

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Care Assistant in Nursing Homes or Hospitals | Activity Coordinator | Personal Assistant in Schools | Care Assistant in Disability Services | Homecare Assistant



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NURSING STUDIES

5M4468 QQI LEVEL 5 COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

Nursing Studies is a one-year course for students wishing to train as Nurses both here in Ireland and in the UK. On completion of this course students can apply to Nursing Degree courses through the QQI entry system. It provides a solid foundation in Nursing theory and practice and allows students to accurately assess their suitability for a career in nursing. Applications are also invited from mature students wishing to pursue a career in nursing.

68%

of graduates progressed to employment or a Level 8 nursing degree

COURSE CONTENT

- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Care Support
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Human Growth and Development
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Infection Prevention & Control
- Care of the Older Person

Additional Certification:

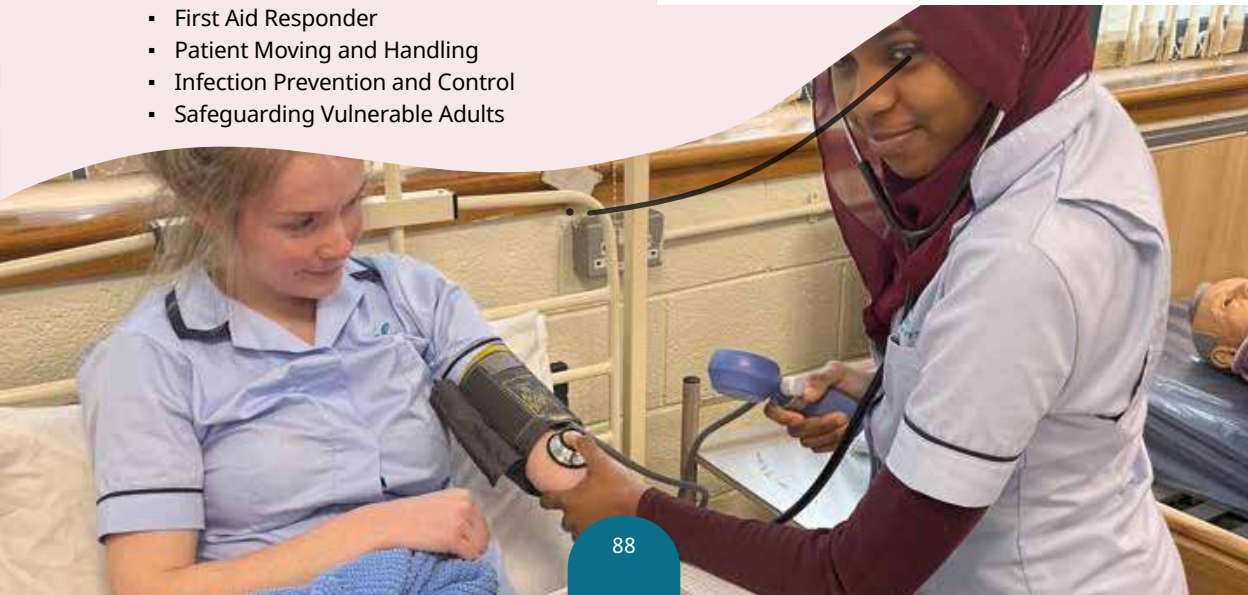
- First Aid Responder
- Patient Moving and Handling
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates could progress to a higher education place in a level 8 nursing degree in Universities and Institutes of Technology around the country through the QQI entry system.

They can also progress to employment in various areas including:

Health Care Support | Home Care | Elderly Care | Disability Services | Day Care Services





OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT

5M3782 QQI LEVEL 5 HEALTH SERVICE SKILLS

CERTIFICATE IN MOVING & HANDLING, INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL & VULNERABLE ADULTS

Qualified Occupational
Therapist Assistants
can earn up to

€32k
per annum

This course is aimed at learners who love the challenge of problem solving and helping people in practical ways to complete Activities of Daily Living. The specialist programme will guide learners to work as an assistant in an Occupational Therapy Department or as part of a Multi-Disciplinary Team. The role provides support to older, injured, ill or disabled patients to enable them to partake in everyday activities.

COURSE CONTENT

- Care Support
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Practice
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Theory
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Communications
- Human Growth & Development
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Work Experience
- Nursing Theory and Practice
- First Aid

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will allow successful candidates to seek employment in locations such as hospitals, community settings, nursing homes, rehabilitation centres, in client's homes, day-care facilities or residential settings. Once qualified you can apply for a job as one of the following:

Occupational Therapist Assistant |
Occupational Therapy Technical Instructor
| Rehab Support Worker Hospitals &
Community | Activity Coordinator | Care
Assistant in Disability Services | Homecare
Assistant | Healthcare Assistant





PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSISTANT

5M5146 QQI LEVEL 5 IN SPORTS, RECREATION & EXERCISE

Physiotherapy assistant would be ideal for any learner who wants to work in this newly-developing role. Learners will develop the skills needed to assist physiotherapists with their caseload and, clients with different elements of treatment/rehabilitation.

In Ireland the
average salary for
Physiotherapy Assistant is

€38k
per annum

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Physiotherapy Assistant in Private Practice |
Rehabilitator

COURSE CONTENT

- ITEC Anatomy and Physiology
- Physiotherapy Assistant Practice
- Physiotherapy Assistant Theory
- Sport & Recreation Studies
- Customer Service
- Kinesiology
- Work Experience
- Exercise & Fitness
- Nutrition
- Sports Massage
- First Aid Responder
- ITEC Level 3 Diploma & Level 4 Certificate in Sports Massage Therapy



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PRE-PARAMEDIC TRAINING

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SNA WITH EARLY LEARNING & CARE (YEAR 1)

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5M21473 QQI LEVEL 5 SNA WITH EARLY LEARNING & CARE

This one year programme is designed to provide learners with the knowledge and practical skills required to work as a Special Needs Assistant in a variety of educational settings.

Learners will have the opportunity to gain work experience in an Early Years Setting, working and caring for children with a variety of needs. Upon successful completion of the course, learners will be qualified to work as an SNA in Early Years settings such as creches, pre-schools but also in primary and secondary schools.

Funding for additional
1,600

special needs assistants
has been included in 2025
Budget as well as a further
200 new school projects

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can progress to employment in a wide range of settings across the public and private sector, both in Ireland and abroad such as:

Special Needs Assistant | Early Years Educator | Preschool Educator | Montessori Teacher | Aims Support Worker | Afterschool Teacher | Childminding | Au Pair | Summer Camp Facilitator

COURSE CONTENT

- Special Needs Assisting
- Professional Practice Placement in ELC
- Children's Rights, Legislation and Regulation
- Early Childhood Growth and Development
- Curriculum, Play and Creative Studies
- Understanding and Assisting Children with Additional Needs
- Holistic Care of Children (birth to six years)





SPEECH & LANGUAGE THERAPY ASSISTANT

CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH SERVICE SKILLS QQI LEVEL 5 (5M3782)

This one-year programme has been designed to provide learners with the understanding, knowledge, skills and competence to pursue a career as a Speech and Language Therapy Assistant. These skills can be applied to a wide range of sectors catering for those who have difficulties with communication including eating and swallowing.

Speech & Language therapists are among others on the Critical Skills Employment List in Ireland

COURSE CONTENT

- Speech and Language Therapy Practice
- Speech and Language Therapy Theory
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Care Support
- Infection Prevention and Control
- Rehabilitation Support
- Human Growth and Development
- Work Experience
- Communications

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:
Speech and Language Therapy, Healthcare, Early Learning Studies, Education, Humanities





YOUTH WORK & SOCIAL STUDIES (WITH SNA)

5M4732 QQI LEVEL 5 YOUTH WORK
5N1786 QQI LEVEL 5 SPECIAL NEEDS
ASSISTING

1,194

SNA Jobs 2023/2024

Studying Youth Work is ideally suited to enthusiastic, fun-loving, critical-thinking, and creative people who are motivated to impact positively in young people's lives. Youth work encompasses a broad and diverse range of social, cultural, educational and political activities, which are based on young people's voluntary participation in leisure time activities that emphasise social inclusion and support civic engagement.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Youth Work Leader | Special Needs Assistant | Community Support Worker | Afterschool Coordinator | Youth and Community Organisers | Social Care Assistant | Residential Social Carer

COURSE CONTENT

- Understanding Youth Work
- Working with Young People
- Community Addiction Studies
- Special Needs Assisting
- Social Studies
- Young People in Society
- Communications
- Word Processing
- Work Experience

Additional Training:

- First Aid Training
- Lámh Training
- Child Protection





ART & MEDIA

Art, Craft and Design

Creative Media, Digital Video & Photography **NEW 2025**

Digital Animation & Game Design

Film & Cinematography **NEW 2025**

Film Production

Graphic Design

Journalism & Podcasting **NEW 2025**

Multimedia, Games & VR

Music Performance & Industry

Music Technology **NEW 2025**

Photography Studies



ART, CRAFT & DESIGN

5M1984 QQI LEVEL 5 ART, CRAFT AND DESIGN

This course is offered to those who are looking to produce an exciting, competitive and creative body of artwork. Students will gain and develop skills in drawing, painting, embroidery, sculpture and various other media. During the course students will explore a broad range of media in an experimental way. Students can use work explored through a personal body of work for portfolio purposes for entry into Art and Design colleges.

After more than five years experience, an Art Director in Ireland can expect a salary of over

€65k
per annum

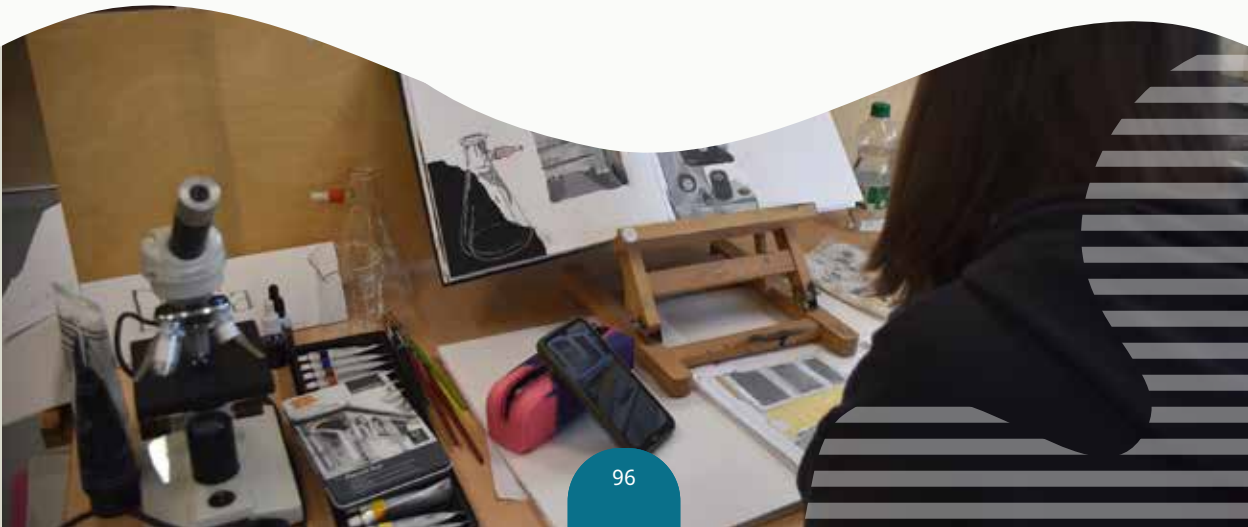
COURSE CONTENT

- Drawing
- Painting
- Combined Materials
- Sculpture
- Printmaking
- Collage Techniques
- Design Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Interior Design | Art and Design Education | Textile Design | Fashion Design | Painting | Printmaker | Curator | Graphic Design | Multimedia | Ceramicist





CREATIVE MEDIA, DIGITAL VIDEO & PHOTOGRAPHY

5M5158 QQI LEVEL 5 FILM & TELEVISION PRODUCTION

This course equips you with industry-relevant skills Creative Media. Master tools for digital editing, web authoring, and audio production, and learn how to deliver professional-quality content for today's digital platforms. Develop expertise in image processing and digital photography to produce visuals that captivate audiences. With valuable work experience opportunities, you'll build the skills and portfolio needed to succeed in the competitive creative and commercial media sectors or continue your journey to Higher Education.

The Irish entertainment and media industry is projected to grow to

€7.6 billion

by 2028, with an annual growth rate of **2.9%**

COURSE CONTENT

- Media Analysis
- Script Writing
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Digital Editing
- Web Authoring
- Desktop Multimedia Audio Production
- Image Processing
- Digital Photography

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Web Design | Interaction/UI Design | Social Media Strategist | Video Production Editor | Digital Image Producer | Digital Marketing, Photographer





DIGITAL ANIMATION & GAME DESIGN

5M5048 QQI LEVEL 5 CREATIVE MEDIA

With Ireland's rich tradition of storytelling, Ireland's gaming and animation studios have produced internationally acclaimed works, contributing to the nation's reputation for creativity and innovation. Aspiring animators and game designers will benefit from this course, which emphasises both technical skills and artistic expression, preparing them for a career in an industry that continues to expand and captivate audiences worldwide. Students can use this QQI level 5 programme to gain entry to Year 2 in the DKIT Level 8 BSc in Animation degree.

The Irish animation industry has quadrupled in size over the past decade.

The annual salary for

Animators is

€24-64K

in Ireland

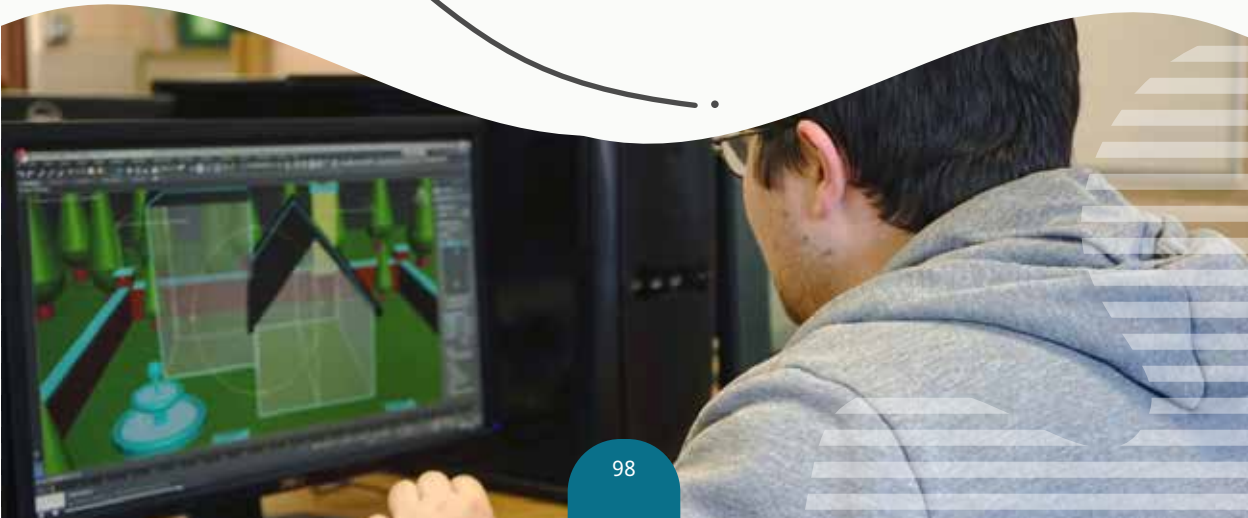
COURSE CONTENT

- Animation
- 3-Dimensional Computer Graphics
- 3D Modelling and Animation
- Games Analysis Design
- Image Processing
- Digital Editing
- Programming Principles
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

2D Animator | 3D Animator | Game Designer | Video Production Editor | 2D/3D Digital Artist | Environment and Character Designer





FILM & CINEMATOGRAPHY

5M5158 QQI LEVEL 5 FILM & TELEVISION PRODUCTION

Graduates will gain the skills and competence to work in film production crew roles or in single camera crew roles in a managed environment in a range of film production contexts.

The Film, TV and Animation sector in Ireland is estimated to be worth over

€692
million

COURSE CONTENT

- Film Production
- Television and Film Editing
- Digital movie processing
- Scriptwriting
- Cinematography Camera Operations
- Media Analysis
- Image Processing
- Radio Production
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Script Writer | Videographer | Video Editor |
TV Studio Production Crew | Director





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GRAPHIC DESIGN

5M1995 QQI LEVEL 5 GRAPHIC DESIGN

Graphic design is a form of communication as well as self-expression. It is about communicating visually in order to inform, educate, entertain or persuade. Students are offered the opportunity to explore aspects of design with a view to identifying strengths and achieving their aims, be it in assembling a portfolio to gain entry to a degree course, or to proceed to employment.

The average designer salary in Ireland is

€52k
per annum

COURSE CONTENT

- Drawing
- Painting
- Combined Materials
- Printmaking
- Graphic Design Skills
- Design Skills
- Image Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Graphic Design | Animation | Multimedia
| Fashion Design | Teaching | Product
Design | Interaction Design | Motion
Graphics | Interior Design





JOURNALISM & PODCASTING

5M3114 QQI LEVEL 5

Podcasting is a powerful tool for adult learners, especially in the field of journalism. It offers flexibility, allowing learners to engage with content at their own pace and time. For those interested in journalism, podcasts provide real-world examples of storytelling, interviews, and news reporting. Podcasts also create opportunities for discussions on current events, media literacy, and critical thinking. Furthermore, adult learners can experiment with creating their own podcasts, enhancing skills like research, interviewing, and audio editing. This hands-on experience deepens their connection to the journalistic process, offering an interactive approach to learning.

COURSE CONTENT

- Research and Study Skills
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Information and Communications Systems
- Creative Writing
- Writing Skills for Journalism
- Radio Programme Production
- Digital Marketing
- Scriptwriting

Ireland, like the rest of Europe and the US, is contributing to the projected growth of the global podcast market, which is expected to reach

€30bn
by 2024

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Podcast Host/Producer, Content Creator, Podcast Advertising And Sales, Voiceover Artist. Learners will also have the opportunity to progress onto Higher Education in fields such as journalism, education, and marketing.





MULTIMEDIA, GAMES & VR

5M5048 QQI LEVEL 5 CREATIVE MEDIA

The Irish Games Development and Immersive Entertainment (AR and VR) Industries are rapidly growing. This course is the perfect starting point for anyone who was ever curious how a game is created, wants to create immersive worlds or is interested in the wider world of digital media. Students are introduced to the key skill used in the development of games, VR experiences and multimedia.

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multinational games
companies are currently
based in Ireland

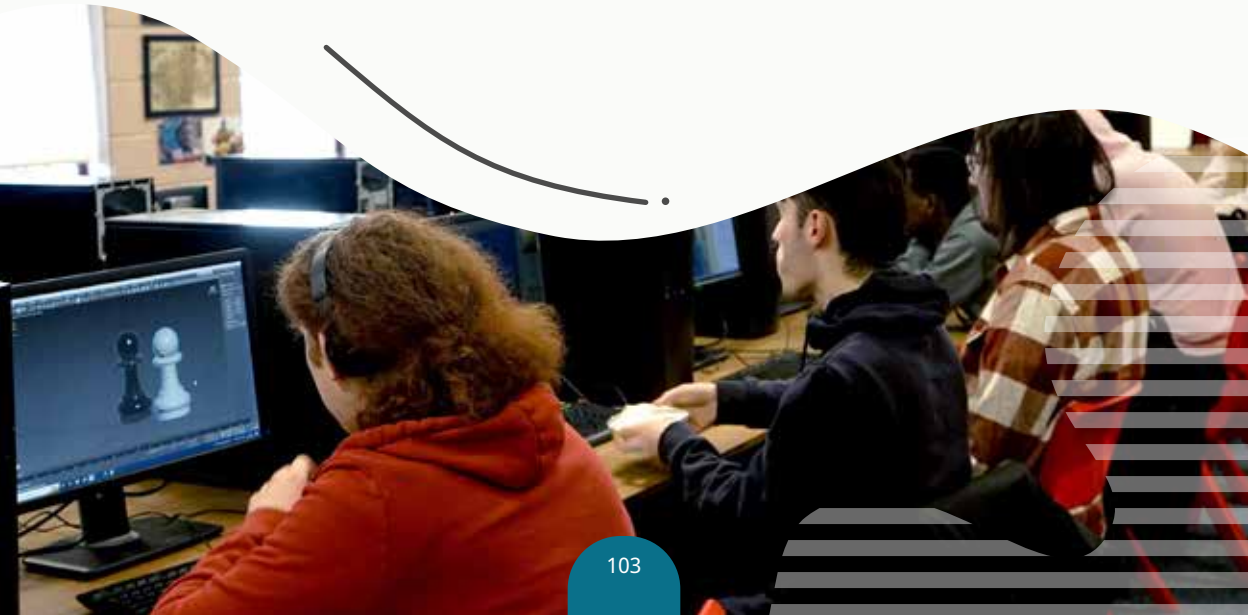
COURSE CONTENT

- Games Analysis Design
- 3-Dimensional Computer Graphics
- 3D Modelling and Animation
- Digital Editing
- Image Processing
- Web Authoring
- Programming Principles
- Communications
- Work Experience

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

VR Specialist | Indie Game Developer |
Game QA Tester | 2D/3D Digital Artist |
Website Designer | Animator | Video Editor
| Computer Programmer





MUSIC PERFORMANCE & INDUSTRY

5M2011 QQI LEVEL 5 MUSIC

The Music Performance & Production course has been designed to prepare learners for opportunities in the Music Industry. This is achieved by providing learners with essential music theory, an introduction to recording skills, music practice, event production and a broad insight into the Music Industry.

The average pay for a musician is

€58,690

per annum.

Wages may be earned per hour or through royalties paid for composition or performance

COURSE CONTENT

- Music Industry Studies
- Music Theory and Practice
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Music Performance
- Event Production
- Desktop Multimedia Audio Production
- Musicianship
- Music Technology

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Music Producer | Recording Engineer | Artist Manager | Tour Manager | Booking Agent | Music Publicist | Composer | Radio broadcaster/engineer | Podcaster | Music Arranger | Performer | Teacher





MUSIC TECHNOLOGY

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PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIES

5M2094 QQI LEVEL 5 PHOTOGRAPHY

Secure your qualification in this dynamic and fast-moving sector and gain a qualification to work in a visual industry with real rewards and influence people's perceptions daily. It will cover all aspects of photography, editing and design, offering a hands-on, practical experience together with the creation of a high-quality portfolio.

The average
photographer salary
in Ireland is

€60k
per annum

COURSE CONTENT

- Image Processing
- Digital Photography
- Photography Techniques
- Communications
- Work Experience
- Digital Movie Processing
- Documentary Photography
- Portrait Photography
- History of Photography

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates progress to employment in various areas including:

Freelance Photographer/Videographer | Aerial Photography/Video | Photojournalist | Portrait Photographer | Sports Photographer/Videographer | Magazine Editor | Video Editor | Social Media Manager





Ó FIAICH INSTITUTE

PART TIME/EVENING CLASSES

OFI offers a wide range of evening classes from hobby to certified courses.

Our teachers are highly qualified, enthusiastic, and committed to providing a quality education for each and every learner that enrolls. If you are considering returning to education, up-skilling, sampling a new career area or interested in meeting people with similar interests enrolling in a night class in Ó Fiaich Institute may be for you.

A QQI module/award is a well-recognised workplace qualification. Some of the QQI awards/modules we offer include

- QQI Healthcare Support Level 5
- QQI Special Needs Assisting Levels 5 & 6
- QQI Retail Floristry Level 5

SAMPLE HOBBY/SPECIAL INTEREST/SHORT COURSES

- Tai Chi
- Stained Glasswork – Beginners and Advanced
- Flower Arranging
- Growing Your Own Organically At Home
- Art, Drawing & Painting
- Makeup and Self Care
- Language Courses
- Baking with Chef Karl
- Knitting for Beginners

INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT EVENINGS

Information and enrolment evenings are held in early September/January. Both are advertised in local media and on our website and social media. Students usually enrol online but they can also enrol for their chosen course at the information and enrolment evening. Advice on courses may be obtained at any of the information evenings or by contacting us at the details below.

SKILLS TO ADVANCE

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