

St. Mac Dara's Community College



**Leaving Certificate
Subject Choice**



Leaving Certificate Programme

- Leaving Certificate is a 2 year programme.
- 7 subjects are taken for the Leaving Certificate.
- Subject Levels
 - Higher and Ordinary level → all subjects.
 - Foundation level → Mathematics & Irish.
- LC subject selection
 - **Core subjects:** English, Mathematics & Irish*
 - **Optional subjects:** 4 other subjects

Optional Subjects-Choose Four

BUSINESS

- Business
- Accountancy
- Economics

SCIENCE

- Biology
- Physics
- Chemistry

LANGUAGES

- French
- German
- Italian
- Spanish

APPLIED SCIENCES

- Home Economics
- Construction Studies
- Design and Communication Graphics
- Engineering

SOCIAL STUDIES

- History
- Geography
- Music
- Art
- Physical Education

Information about LC subjects can be found on the
NCCA website: www.ncca.ie

Sample Requirements

Irish

- Primary Teaching

Maths

- Engineering
- Computer science
- Actuarial studies
- Physics

Science Subjects

- Nursing
- Engineering
- Science
- Computer science
- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Veterinary

A Third Language

- Many courses require a third language
- Required for some faculties at UCD, MU, NUIG, UCC eg. Law, Commerce, Arts
- Generally required to study a Language at Third Level
- Exceptions are Science, Engineering and Nursing do not require a language
- NCAD can select ART instead of a language
- A language is not required for TCD, DCU, UL or any Institute of Technology unless a language option within the course

Specific Course Requirements

- Course Entry Requirements can be accessed:
 - College prospectuses
 - College websites
 - Directory of LC Entry Requirements
 - Guidelines for Subject Choice booklet
 - Career's websites



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Qualifax is Ireland's National Learners' Database and is the "one stop shop" for learners and the public. Comprehensive, annually updated information is provided about further and higher education and training options in Ireland and further afield. Articles and links are also provided to assist students, jobseekers, parents, guidance professionals and graduates to make informed choices for education, training and career pathways.

Qualifax is a service provided by Quality and Qualifications Ireland (www.qqi.ie/).

Events Calendar

27.01.2021	Virtual Open Day	Drogheda Institute of FE
27.01.2021	MU Live Froebel Bachelor of Education Primary Teaching	Maynooth University
27.01.2021	Trinity CAO Information Evenings - Webinars	Trinity College Dublin
28.01.2021	MU Live CAO process and college transition and live Q&A	Maynooth University
28.01.2021	Medical Poland Open Day (Online)	Medical Poland
28.01.2021	ASK WIT (5 Days)	Waterford Institute of Technology
29.01.2021	MU Live Overview of the QQI application process to MU	Maynooth University
29.01.2021	Virtual Open Days	Study Medicine Europe
29.01.2021	UCAS 2021 Entry - Deadline for all Undergraduate Courses Except Those With 15th Oct Deadline - EXTENDED	UCAS
30.01.2021	UCD Science, Sustainability, Computer Science, Actuarial & Financial Studies Taster Lecture Event 2021	University College Dublin

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Minister Harris launches new one-stop shop for people seeking to retrain or upskill - 18 January 2021 Minister for Further and Higher Education Simon...

CAO [CAO Information](#)
January 2021 Discounted application fee (€30 fee) available up to 20 January at 5:15pm February 2021 Normal closing date for applications...

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Need help searching CAO courses on Qualifax? Our NEW short video will provide you with all the help you need! You can access the video here: <https://vimeo.com/470970559...>

Leaving Cert Points Calculator
Select your six highest grades. For each subject, enter the following: Select the Subject. Select H(igher) or O(rdinary) to indicate the examination...

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Welcome!

CareersPortal.ie is an Irish resource dedicated to those who want to plan their career. Whether you are a school student, college graduate or considering a mid-career change, we will collect and present the most useful information available to help you along the way.

Career Exploration Toolbox

<p>Self Assessment</p> <p>Build a profile of yourself based on our self-assessment quizzes and collection of personal development resources</p> <p>➔</p>	<p>Employment Sectors</p> <p>Explore popular career categories and view recent Labour Market information for them. Hear what leading industry bodies have to say about their sector.</p> <p>➔</p>	<p>Occupations A-Z</p> <p>Investigate hundreds of job types and see what the work involves, the typical entry routes and the educational qualifications required</p> <p>➔</p>
<p>Employer Profiles</p> <p>Take a look at leading employers to find out what job opportunities they may have, how they recruit, and what they look for in an employee</p> <p>➔</p>	<p>Jobholder Interviews</p> <p>Use our online interviews to ask a range of questions to employees currently in the workforce. View videos of people in their workplace.</p> <p>➔</p>	<p>CAO Coursefinder</p> <p>Get the latest information on courses in Ireland. Use our unique CAO CourseFinder to help you select CAO courses that suit you.</p> <p>➔</p>

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General Advice

If a student is not really sure what he/she wants to do in the future:

Pick a broad range of subjects in order to keep options open

Many students will change their minds about their future a number of times in the next 2 years

- E.g.
 - one *language*
 - one *science*
 - one *business*
 - one *humanities / applied science*.
- This combination would allow access into a broad range of courses/careers.

Choosing a Subject

A wise choice of subjects requires:

Subject Teachers,
Guidance Classes, TY
Programme

L.C. Books, Publications,
Other Students

RESEARCH



Guidance Counsellors,
Current Teachers

Family, Friends

DISCUSSION



Consider all the
information, views and
opinions

Then, ultimately each
student must make up
their own mind.

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Choice Booklet

6th year Careers Google
Classroom Code: z7pg3uv



Guidance and Counselling in St. Mac Dara's Community College

Welcome to St. Mac Dara's Guidance and Counselling website where you will find a wealth of information on Guidance and Counselling topics.

Useful Tools



Course Finder



Career Explorer



Career Sectors



Points Calculator



Apprenticeships



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Useful Websites

Internet

- Qualifax – www.qualifax.ie Irish courses database
- CAO – www.cao.ie Contains links to course websites
- Careersportal.ie- www.careersportal.ie
- College websites
- www.tcd.ie
- www.ucd.ie
- www.dit.ie
- www.ncca.ie

