



PART THREE

Once you've selected your preferred programme (or programmes) of study, it's time to make your application.

MAKING YOUR APPLICATION

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The application procedure may seem daunting at first. Read through the information in this section thoroughly and identify the details that are relevant to your situation. Check whether you are eligible for any grants or scholarships.

Seek the advice of your Guidance Counsellor about anything you don't understand or are unsure of. Be particularly careful in noting key deadlines. These are highlighted in bold throughout the text.

For those of you filling out the CAO form, remember that it's very important to list your programme choices in genuine order of preference. Make sure the programmes of most interest to you are at the top of your CAO preference list.

FEES · TÁILLÍ

At the time of writing, the financing of Higher Education was under-review by the Government. No decisions had been announced at the time of going to print. LYIT will add updated information to its web site as it comes to hand. Applicants may also wish to consult the Student Finance website set up by the Higher Education Authority, www.studentfinance.ie.

Who deals with Fees & Grants?

The Registry, Tel: (074) 918 6125, – located behind reception on the ground floor of the main building deals with matters related to fees & grants. Students are required to be in good standing in relation to fees payable. Invoices or queries from the Registry should be dealt with promptly. Failure to pay due fees may result in sanctions. These could include withdrawal of services, withholding of results, or even exclusion.

What fees are likely to apply?

Application fees

This fee covers processing of the application. CAO impose a charge for year 1 applications. LYIT does not charge for advanced entry applications.

Registration Fees

This fee covers non-tuition student services such as examination entry fees and support of the Student Union. Up to 2009 the annual rate was set by the Department of Education, usually announced by August each year. The fee for 2009 entry was €1,500. LYIT sends out a giro to facilitate payment of this fee by those who receive a CAO offer. Those who qualify for a maintenance grant will normally have this fee paid by the grant authority. However, those who do not qualify for a grant, or who don't process their grant application on time, have to pay it at the time of registration using the giro supplied.

Tuition fees

This fee covers cost of tuition. It can vary depending on the type and level of course taken. For some students the cost is covered by a grant, others have to pay it from their own resources. At the time of writing the issue of tuition fees and the rates for 2010 has not been set. Various options including student loans and/or graduate taxes were being considered as mechanisms to enable students to cover this cost.

What fees do I need to pay to Register?

LYIT will write to all students who receive an offer with instructions regarding registration. These instructions will include information on any fees due and on payment methods.

Late Registration Penalty

Registration usually takes place in early September. Intending students are advised to avoid any holidays or work commitments in early September that would make it difficult to register on-time. Registration is immediately followed by induction and this is an important period for new students. Those who are late in registering miss induction, cause extra work for everyone, and hinder the efficient start of the academic year. To discourage this, there is a Late Registration Penalty, payable on top of all other costs.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS DEONTAIS & SCOLÁIREACHTAÍ



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European Social Fund (ESF) Grants

Local Authorities determine eligibility for ESF grants and the amounts payable. Questions about eligibility for these grants, payment rates or the application process should be addressed to your local VEC or grant authority, not to LYIT.

Where can I apply for a Student Grant?

Apply for an ESF grant to the Vocational Education Committee (VEC) in the county in which you live. Application forms are usually available from June onwards each year. This process takes time, so please get your application in early. **We strongly advise you to submit your ESF grant application in June or July.** If you wait until you get your exam results or CAO offer, it's likely your payment will be delayed.

How is the Grant Paid?

LYIT, acting under instruction from the relevant grant authority, make payments in instalments, at the end of each month, directly into your bank account, *provided* you have fulfilled the following conditions:

1. You have confirmed to the VEC which programme you have accepted – complete a Final Course Acceptance Schedule and return it to your local Authority or VEC.
2. We have received *written confirmation* of your eligibility from your VEC – This can only happen if you have confirmed the course you are undertaking with your VEC.
3. On arrival at LYIT, you must bring evidence of the grant offer with you to Registration – otherwise you will have to produce a giro showing you have paid the Registration Fee.
4. You have provided accurate bank details to the Registry at LYIT – this is normally done at registration. Bank details can also be provided (or changed) later, if necessary, by dropping down to the main reception and asking for the grants officer.

Please note that we cannot issue any payment until we receive authorisation from the local authority **and** we have your bank details.

So please, process your grant application during the summer, before you come to college and remember to provide us with your bank account details on arrival.

As a grant recipient, you must keep to the normal practices of the workplace – good timekeeping, attendance, etc. We keep records of attendance. Your grant payments may be reduced or stopped if you don't attend and don't supply the appropriate absence approval or medical certificate.

Continuation of Grant Payments

Generally, ESF funding is available for the approved duration of one programme only. However, there are exceptions:

1. If you start a first year programme and find that it doesn't suit you, you can begin a new course without losing your grant, provided you obtain the prior approval of the VEC.
2. If you successfully complete a programme at one level of the National Framework, you may be eligible for further funding to continue your studies at the next level.

What happens to my grant if I have to repeat a year?

Repeating a year can be very expensive and is best avoided. You are likely to lose all grant entitlements, although your grant authority has discretion to waive this in exceptional circumstances, such as serious illness. In addition, you will have to pay your own tuition and registration fees.

The maximum duration of ESF funding is normally four years. Continued payment of the grant is subject to satisfactory attendance, performance *and progression*.

Where should I apply for grants/scholarships?

You should apply to the VEC in the county in which you live. If you live in Co. Donegal the offices are located near Letterkenny Cathedral:

Donegal VEC
Administrative Offices
Lower Ard O'Donnell
Letterkenny
Tel: (074) 912 1100

Long-term unemployed

If you are long-term unemployed and 21 or older before the date your college course starts, you may be eligible to claim a **Back to Education Allowance** from Social Welfare. Contact your local Social Welfare office for further information on this scheme.

LYIT Access Scholarships

This scheme supports 15 students from low-income families in Donegal annually. You must qualify for the means-tested ESF maintenance grant and have the support of your school to be eligible. For more information contact the Access Officer, Brian McGonagle on (074) 918 6170 or email brian.mcgonagle@lyit.ie.

LYIT Sports Scholarships

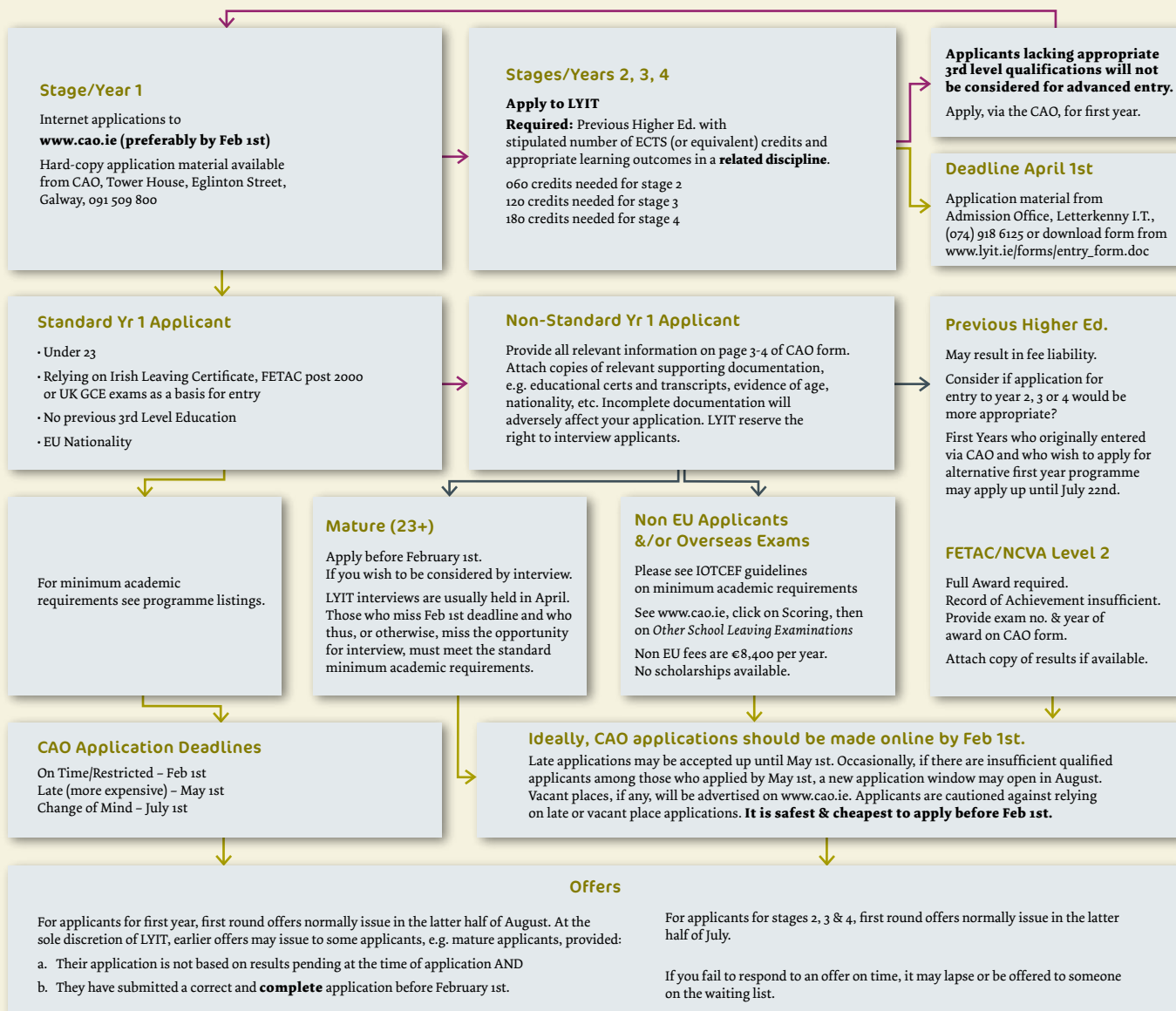
Sports scholarships are advertised internally, *after* registration, granted for a year at a time and paid in instalments. Continued payment is dependent not only on commitment to the sports programme, but also on satisfactory academic attendance and performance.

New Scholarships & Bursaries

We are always delighted to hear from graduates, business people, companies, or organisations with an interest in Donegal and/or in education, who may be interested in getting involved with us in any mutually beneficial activity. Persons interested in funding scholarships, bursaries, student attainment prizes, etc., should contact the President, Mr. Paul Hannigan, at (074) 918 6012.

Overview Admissions Procedures

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Registration

Normally takes place during the first week of September. Financial penalty applies to late registration.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES · CEAD ISTEACH

NATIONAL FRAMEWORK OF QUALIFICATIONS

Award type	Level	Bologna Cycles
Doctoral Degree	10	3
Masters Degree	9	2
Postgraduate Diploma	8	1
Higher Bachelor Degree	7	1
Higher Diploma	6	1
Ordinary Bachelor Degree	5	1
Higher Certificate	4	1

Awards

We offer programmes at Levels 6 to 10 of the National Framework of Qualifications:

Undergraduate programmes:

- Level 6, Higher Certificate (or Exit Award after successful completion of 2 years of a Level 7 programme)
- Level 7 Ordinary Bachelor Degree
- Level 8 Honours Bachelor Degree.

Postgraduate programmes:

- Level 9 Masters Degree
- Level 10 Doctoral Degree.

The framework provides a 'ladder of opportunity' so you can progress your studies either at LYIT or through another college or university.

Level 6: Higher Certificate

To be eligible to enter at Level 6, you will need:

- **Five** subjects at OD3 or better in the Irish Leaving Certificate, including Maths and either English or Irish, or
- A relevant FETAC qualification, or
- An equivalent international qualification.

To qualify for a Level 6 award you normally need to accumulate 120 ECTS credits, usually over two years of full-time study.

Level 7: Bachelor Degree

To enter at first year (*ab initio* mode), you will need:

- **Five** subjects at OD3 or better in the Irish Leaving Certificate, including Maths and either English or Irish, or
- A relevant FETAC qualification, or
- An equivalent international qualification.

To enter post first year (add-on mode), you will normally need to have successfully completed the directly related Level 6 Higher Certificate. An equivalent two-year programme of Higher Education with appropriate learning outcomes or bridging studies may also be considered.

To qualify for a Level 7 award you normally need to accumulate 180 ECTS credits, usually over three years of full-time study.

Level 8: Bachelor Degree (Hons)

To enter at first year (*ab initio* mode), you will need:

- At least two subjects at HC3 and four subjects at OD3 or better in the Irish Leaving Certificate, including Maths and either English or Irish, or
- A relevant FETAC qualification *in a cognate area*, or
- An equivalent international qualification.

To enter post first year, (add-on mode), you will normally need to have successfully completed the directly related Level 7 Bachelor Degree. An equivalent three-year programme of Higher Education, with appropriate learning outcomes or bridging studies, may also be considered.

To qualify for a Level 8 award you normally need to accumulate 240 ECTS credits, usually over four years of full-time study.

Level 9: Masters Degree

To enter a Masters programme you must have successfully completed of an appropriate undergraduate programme. Normally this would be a related Level 8 Honours Degree programme.

Minimum Entry Requirements

Minimum standards, based on Irish Leaving Certificate results, apply to most programmes. If you intend to present qualifications other than the Irish Leaving Certificate as a basis for entry, you should consult the IoTCEF booklet, which can be downloaded from http://www2.cao.ie/app_scoring/IOTCEF-full.pdf or visit the Qualifications Recognition – Ireland website www.qualificationsrecognition.ie

Occasionally a programme may specify a standard higher than the minimum outlined below for Maths and English, and/or an additional subject or particular grade may be required. These requirements will be clearly highlighted on the relevant programme pages.

Maths

Maths is needed for all programmes except LY015, Graphic Design and LY427, Creative Digital Media. For all programmes, including Nursing and Engineering, the maths requirement can be met by:

- OD3 (or better) in Leaving Certificate Maths, for all programmes, including Nursing and Engineering.

For programmes other than *ab initio* Level 8 and Engineering the following will also meet the maths requirement

- B2 or higher in Foundation Maths
- HE (or better) in Higher Maths

Foundation Level Mathematics

With the exception of:

- All Engineering programmes and
- Ab initio Level 8 Degrees,

Foundation Maths at and above grade B2 (80%) will be regarded as meeting minimum requirements, and will be awarded points as follows:

B2 = 5 points; B1 = 10 points;
A2 = 15 points; A1 = 20 points.

English/Irish

You will need OD3 or better in *either* English or Irish in the Irish Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) for all programmes. (Results from Bunleibhéal Gaeilge are not accepted.)

If English is not your first language, you will need internationally recognised qualifications in English. Please consult the IoTCEF booklet, which can be downloaded from http://www2.cao.ie/app_scoring/IOTCEF-full.pdf for a list of acceptable exams and standards.

First Year Applicants • FAQ

When can I start?

In most cases, the academic year begins in September. The ATP programme in IT Support, which has two intakes per year, in January and June, is an exception.

How do I apply for first year?

In most cases those entering first year must apply via the CAO, Central Applications Office, www.cao.ie

Exceptions apply in the case of graduates from LYIT's Certificate in Introductory Studies for Higher Education and those applying for ATP programmes, who apply directly to LYIT. Contact Registry, (074) 918 6125 for details.

WHAT DOES A CAO APPLICATION COST?

	Fee	Closing date
Normal application (online or paper)	€45	1 Feb 2010 (5:15 pm)
Online discounted rate	€35	20 Jan 2010 (5:15 pm)
Late online application	€70	1 May 2010 (5:15 pm)
Late paper application	€90	1 May 2010 (5:15 pm)
Change of Mind	Nil	1 July 2010 (5:15 pm)

Applicants should avoid submitting an application close to a Closing Date. No extension to the closing date will be allowed.

How Do I Make a CAO Application?

You can submit your CAO application via the internet or by post. We strongly recommend internet application, via www.cao.ie, as it is cheaper, faster and easier. We suggest you complete it well in advance of the deadline. You will still have an opportunity to register a change of mind at a later date if you need to – see below.

The CAO's paper application form is contained in the CAO Handbook, which is available through secondary schools, or directly from:

CAO,
Tower House,
Eglinton Street,
Galway
Tel: (091) 509800
Fax: (091) 562344

What is the CAO application deadline? **February 1st.**

What if I miss the deadline?

In *some* cases, you may be able to submit a late application up to a final deadline of **May 1st**. However this does not apply to all applicants or to all programmes (see below) and it can cost up to twice as much as an on-time application.

What is *Restricted Application?

This means the programme has no late deadline and you must apply for it by **February 1st**. This applies to all LYIT programmes for non-EU applicants presenting non-standard exams, and to those who may need to attend an interview or some other form of assessment, e.g. the applicants for the mature Nursing codes and to mature applicants for other programmes who lack appropriate exam results.

Can I apply for first year after May 1st?

Not usually. There are two circumstances in which later applications may become possible:

1. If a new programme is approved after the May 1st deadline.
2. If there are insufficient qualified applicants to fill a programme.

In these circumstances we post a Vacant Place notice on the CAO website. If you miss the Feb. or May 1st deadlines, keep an eye on the CAO website for these listings, especially from mid-August onward. Post round 1, Vacant Places may be filled by qualified applicants on a first come, first served basis.

What if I change my mind?

Provided your initial application reached the CAO before **May 1st**, it is possible, pre-entry, to change your mind about what you want to do. You can change or re-order your course choices as often as you wish up to **July 1st**.

Can I change course post registration?

No, not usually. A change post registration would require re-application via the CAO and this would almost certainly mean waiting until the following year. Our advice is: **finalise your options by July 1st**. Very occasionally it *might* be possible to make the switch in the current year. However three conditions would have to be fulfilled:

1. There would have to be places available on the programme to which you wish to transfer.
2. There could not be any qualified applicants on the waiting list.
3. You would have to re-apply via the CAO and meet the entry and points requirements for the new programme.

What is the Points System?

There is competition for places. Colleges have limited spaces and will select students with the highest qualifications first. Points are assigned to each grade attained in the various exams available to second-level students: Leaving Certificate, GSE, O-Levels, A-Levels, etc.

The higher your grades, the more points you will achieve, and the better your chances of gaining entry to the course of your choice.

The points assigned to each grade achieved in the Leaving Certificate are shown in the Table across. Points for individual candidates are calculated as the total of the points from his/her six highest grades. The maximum number of points available to any one candidate on the basis of the Leaving Certificate is 600, which they would achieve if they got A1s on six (or more) Higher Level papers.

POINTS TABLE

Leaving Cert. grade	Higher paper	Ordinary paper
A1	100	60
A2	90	50
B1	85	45
B2	80	40
B3	75	35
C1	70	30
C2	65	25
C3	60	20
D1	55	15
D2	50	10
D3	45	5

Please note that while minimum entry requirements can be accumulated over several sittings of an exam, points will be calculated on the basis of Leaving Certificate performance from a **single sitting**.

Can you predict points?

No, entry is competitive. The actual number of points required may rise or fall from one year to the next, depending on competition. As we cannot predict the level of competition, we cannot predict the points. If a programme is very much in demand, the points will rise. If demand declines, or space increases, the number of points required may fall. The best you can do is look at the trend of points in recent years. You'll find an archive showing points for all programme, in each year, on the CAO website: <http://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=points>

However, things change. Don't assume that the number of points required this year will be the same as in previous years.

What is the relevance of cut-off points?

The cut-off point does not tell you anything about

- the difficulty/ease of a course
- the average ability of those taking that course.

The cut-off point may vary from year to year, without the course content having changed. Also, please remember that the published cut-off shows the points achieved by the **last** person who qualified for that course. The **average** point may be considerably higher than this.

FETAC Applicants

Entry Based on FETAC (Level 5) Qualifications (Formerly NCVA)

A FETAC Record of Achievement is not sufficient to gain entry into LYIT; you must have achieved a full FETAC Certificate, normally with eight modules, which may be accumulated over more than one academic year. The general minimum entry requirements are shown in the table on page 212–213.

Some programmes also ask for specific FETAC modules or specific FETAC courses.

In addition several programmes have a limited quota of places available for FETAC applicants.

If you take the FETAC examination in the same year that you hope to enter LYIT, and do not have your results at the time of application, enter your FETAC exam number on page 2 of the CAO form. **Do NOT tick box C on page 3 if you are taking the exam in the current year.**

You should only tick Box C on page 3 of the CAO form if you achieved a full FETAC (NCVA) certificate in 1999 or earlier. If you tick this box on page 3, you will need to provide additional information on page 4 of the CAO form. You should also attach a copy of your results, showing the grade point average. If you don't provide all the necessary information it may not be possible to credit you with points for your FETAC award and you might not be offered a place.

Points Based on FETAC Results

Points are calculated on your best eight modules. The vast majority of modules presented have a credit value of 1 and are taken at Level 2. Such modules are scored as:

Pass	20
Merit	35
Distinction	50

For modules with alternative values and/or at other levels, scores are adjusted *pro rata*:

For programmes having a specific FETAC quota the FETAC results are considered on round zero only. If you have other results, such as the Leaving Certificate, you may also compete, using those other results, for non-quota places on round 1. Your FETAC scores will not be considered after round zero where a quota applies.

For programmes where no specific quota applies, FETAC scores are included in the order of merit list of all applicants presenting school leaving examinations, and initial offers are issued on Round 1. FETAC results will not be added to Leaving Certificate results. If you have taken both exams, the exam in which you achieved the highest points will be used for non quota places.

GENERAL MINIMUM FETAC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Level & Award at LYIT	FETAC/NCVA Entry requirement
Level 6 Higher Certificate	Full FETAC level 5 award (NCVA level 2 or 3) .
Level 7 Bachelor Degree	Full FETAC level 5 award (NCVA level 2 or 3).
Level 8 Honours Degree (with the exception of Nursing programmes)	Full FETAC level 5 award (NCVA level 2 or 3) in a cognate area and including distinctions in at least three modules
Level 8 Nursing Programmes	FETAC level 5 award (NCVA level 2) in DCHSN Nursing Studies or DCHSX Community & Health Services or DDSXX Healthcare Support Applicants must attain distinctions in five modules.

Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)

The link modules are considered as a single unit or subject and awarded points as follows:

Pass	30
Merit	50
Distinction	70

If you're taking the LCVP we strongly advise you to take Mathematics, as it is required for entry into the vast majority of programmes. Your application should be made through the CAO.

Leaving Certificate Applied Programme (LCAP)

This does not meet minimum entry requirements. In order to gain entry to our courses, holders of the LCAP are advised to follow it up with an appropriate FETAC qualification. Please check the FETAC table page 212–213 to make sure you are taking the correct FETAC programme and /or modules required for the LYIT programme you wish to enter.

PRO RATA ADJUSTMENT OF SCORES

Module Credit value	Distinction			Merit			Pass		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
0.5	12.5	25	31.3	8.8	17.5	21.9	05	10	12.5
1.0	25.0	50	62.5	17.5	35.0	43.8	10	20	25.0
1.5	35.5	75	93.8	26.3	52.5	65.0	15	30	37.5
2.0	50.0	100	125.0	35.0	70.0	87.5	20	40	50.0

TABLE OF ACCEPTABLE PROGRAMMES

NCVA/FETAC

Page	CAO CODE	Programme Title	Required NCVA Modules	Required NCVA Awards
BUSINESS STUDIES				
38	LY107	Business	B20001 of C20139	Any Full Award
54	LY117	Administrative Management	No required modules	Any Full Award
58	LY137	Sports Development & Coaching 5 FETAC places	No required modules	DOREC Outdoor Recreation DSRXX Sports & Recreation
BUSINESS · LAW & HUMANITIES				
70	LY207	Legal Studies	No required modules	Any Full Award
74	LY217	European Languages and International Business	E20106 or E20107 or E20108	Any Full Award
DESIGN & CREATIVE MEDIA				
82	LY407	Graphic Design	No required modules	AAXXX Art
			No required modules	AACDX Art/Craft/Graphic Design
			No required modules	ACADX Computer Aided Design
			No required modules	ACXXX Creative Craft
			No required modules	ADESX Design
			No required modules	AGDXX Graphic Design
			No required modules	AFDXX Fashion Design
80	LY417	Product Design	No required modules	AIDXX Interior Design
			No required modules	Any of the awards listed above for Graphic Design or AFURX, Furniture Design
86	LY427	Creative Digital Media	No required modules	Any of Awards listed for Product Design above or EMXXX Multimedia (level 6)
TOURISM				
96	LY306	Front Office Management	No required modules	Any Full Award
98	LY307	International Tourism & Hospitality Enterprise	No required modules	Any Full Award
100	LY317	International Culinary Enterprise	No required modules	Any Full Award
ENGINEERING, CIVIL & CONSTRUCTION				
116	LY507	Quantity Surveying	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
114	LY517	Building Energy, Services & Design	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
112	LY527	Civil Engineering	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
120	LY537	Construction & Fire Technology	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
118	LY547	Architectural Technology	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
ENGINEERING, ELECTRONIC & MECHANICAL				
126	LY607	Electronic Engineering	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
128	LY617	Mechanical Engineering	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award
132	LY627	Computer Engineering	C20174 or C20139 or C20175 (or LC maths)	Any Full Award

Page	CAO CODE	Programme Title	Required NCVA Modules	Required NCVA Awards
COMPUTING				
140	LY708	Applied Computing	No modules specified, but distinctions in at least 3 modules required	BEBXX E-Business BIPXX Information Processing, EMMPX Multimedia Production or CITXX Information Technology CELTX Electronic technology CCNMX Computer Network & Maintenance
158	LY707	Computer Games Development	No required modules	Any Full Award
142	LY717	Computing with Business Applications	No required modules	Any Full Award
148	LY727	Computing with Networks & Mobile Communications	No required modules	Any Full Award
144	LY737	Computer Security and Digital Forensics	No required modules	Any Full Award
146	LY747	Multimedia and Digital Entertainment Technology	No required modules	Any Full Award
SCIENCE				
182	LY817	Bioscience	No required modules	Any Full Award
186	LY827	Analytical & Forensic Science	No required modules	Any Full Award
190	LY837	Food Science & Nutrition	No required modules	Any Full Award
194	LY847	Animal Care	Distinctions in 3 modules to include: — C20006 Biology and at least 2 distinctions from these 3 modules — C20153 Animal Anatomy & Physiology — C20152 Animal Welfare — G20001 Communications	CASAC Animal Care
NURSING				
168	LY908	General Nursing 2 FETAC places	At least 5 distinctions including distinctions in — D20001 and — D20012 and either — D20032 or D200006	DCHSN Nursing Studies or DCHSX Community Health Services DHSXX Healthcare Support
170	LY918	Psychiatric Nursing 1 FETAC place	At least 5 distinction including distinctions in — D20001 and — D20012 and either — D20032 or D200006	DCHSN Nursing Studies or DCHSX Community Health Services DHSXX Healthcare Support
172	LY928	Intellectual Disability Nursing 1 FETAC place	At least 5 distinction including distinctions in — D20001 Anatomy and Physiology, and — D20012 Introduction to Nursing, and either — D20032 Human Growth and Development or D200006	DCHSN Nursing Studies or DCHSX Community Health Services DHSXX Healthcare Support
176	LY907	Early Childhood Care, Health and Education 2 FETAC places	At least 3 distinctions in any of the following modules — D20153 Working in Childcare — D20159 Caring for Children — D20005 Child Development — D20007 Early Childhood Education No required modules	DCHSC Childcare (level 5) DCXXX Childcare (level 6)
174	LY917	Health and Social Studies 1 FETAC place	At least 3 Distinctions to include any of the following — D20163 Care Skills — D20164 Care Support — D20165 Safety & Health at Work — G20001 Communications	DHSXX Healthcare Support DCHCC Community Care

Mature Students

You are a mature student if you are applying for first year and will be 23 years of age or older by the 1st January in the proposed year of entry.

Is there any advantage to applying as a Mature Student?

Yes. Mature Students may be exempted from the standard minimum academic requirements for first year entry. They may be admitted to any first year programme by virtue of their motivation and experience. This is normally assessed in an interview.

How do I apply as a mature student?

Apply through the CAO system (see page 208) by **February 1st**.

Attachments to the CAO Application.

- **Evidence of Age:** Send a copy of your Birth Certificate, with your CAO application. Do not send the original.
- **Evidence of educational qualifications, examination results.** If you did a Leaving Certificate examination in any year since 1985, write the year and the exam number (if known) in the appropriate place on page 1 of the CAO application form.
- **Evidence of Work History, Training Courses, etc.** Detail any work experience or courses you have taken that are **relevant** to the programme(s) for which you are applying on pages 3 and 4 of the CAO application form. Attach copies of any supporting certificates and references.

What is the closing date for mature applicants?

February 1st is the deadline if you wish to be considered by interview. However Mature applicants who are happy to be treated as standard applicants, and rely only on Leaving Cert. results, may apply up until May 1st.

When are the interviews for mature applicants?

Interviews are held at LYIT, usually in April. Mature applicants for Nursing may have to undergo a separate assessment/interview process under the auspices of the Nursing Education Board on a separate date, usually in April or May.

What is expected at interview?

Interviewers want to see that you have some educational, work or life experience that is relevant to the programme(s) for which you are applying, and that you have the motivation and the ability to complete the programme.

What if I miss the Feb 1st deadline, do not, or cannot attend the interview?

You will be treated as a standard applicant. You will not be called to interview and will be assessed for round 1 only on the basis of the certified exam results (if any) that you have made known to the CAO. If there are any Vacant Places remaining post round 1, you could apply for them. There may be an opportunity to avail of late interviews in August/September when there are vacant places, but you are cautioned against relying on this.

Mature Applicants for Nursing

Mature applicants for the Nursing programmes at LYIT, **must** use the mature codes: LY938, LY948 and LY958. (If you don't, you will be assessed as a standard applicant.) An interview or other form of assessment is also organised by An Bord Altranais, usually in April/May.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

What is RPL

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is the generic term for learning assessment mechanisms such as Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) or Advanced Academic Standing, which are used within Higher Education to describe the awarding of credit / exemptions to learners on the basis of demonstrated learning that has occurred prior to admission.

RPL involves awarding the learner recognition in the form of admission to a programme, credits, exemptions or an award for the Prior Learning.

The Prior learning can be Certified or Experiential (non-certified).

Recognition for Prior Certified Learning (RPCL)

Prior Certified Learning is where an applicant has already been awarded a qualification for a formal programme taken at an institution or training organisation. This prior learning can be **recognised** on the National Framework of Qualifications and may entitle the applicant to:

- Admission to a programme or course of study.
- The award of advanced academic standing.
- The award of **exemptions** from some parts of a programme.

Where prior certificated learning is the basis for RPL, the applicant is required to provide the relevant syllabus and a transcript of results.

The prior certified learning must be:

- Similar in nature to the module(s) the learner is seeking exemptions in.
- Achieved in a relatively recent time frame.
- At the same or higher level in the National Framework of qualifications to the module(s) the learner is seeking the exemption in.

Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning (RPEL)

This involves the awarding of credit for learning from experience. In this case, the candidate must demonstrate that specific learning outcomes have been achieved by producing a **Portfolio of Evidence** to support the claim for access, exemption or credit (in some instances the assessor may decide to use an alternative method of assessment, e.g. project or examination). As a general principle, credit is given for learning, not for experience *per se*. The portfolio of evidence must be written in such a way that the matching of the knowledge, skills and competencies of the module learning outcomes to the prior learning is clearly demonstrated.

As part of the assessment the learner may be interviewed by an appointed assessor.

Learners can receive support with developing their portfolio from the RPL Facilitator.

Procedures for applying for RPL

1. For Registered learners

(Full Time, Part Time and ACCS learners)

- Applicant submits RPL application form (available from RPL Facilitator / LYIT Website) to the relevant Head of Department.
- Head of Department decides what evidence the RPL applicant should submit as part of their RPL application.
- Learner submits evidence (e.g. portfolio or copies of certificates) to Head of Department.
- Head of Department appoints an assessor to assess RPL evidence.
- Decision made on whether RPL application is successful or not.

Please contact the RPL Facilitator for information regarding application and submission dates.

2. For individuals not currently registered at LYIT

In some instances, individuals can contact the RPL facilitator to have experiential learning accredited with a third level qualification (e.g. a single module certificate in Management or single module certificate in Customer Care). Here applicants are expected to complete a portfolio of evidence, an examination, assignment or interview to demonstrate their learning.

If the applicant is successful, he/she will receive a single module certificate and may be entitled to exemptions should the learner decide to complete the remainder of the programme.

Applicants here may apply at any time throughout the year. Certificates are issued once a year.

For information regarding modules available and fees (or any other information) please contact the RPL Facilitator (details below).

What if my RPL Application is not successful?

You will receive feedback from the assessor and you may apply for re-assessment. There is a charge associated with re-assessment.

Terms and conditions

Recognition / accreditation will be granted for:

- Complete modules only, not for part of a module.
- A maximum of 50% of total credits from non award years.
- A maximum of 35% of credits from any award year.

Summary of terms and conditions associated with RPL

	Full Time Registered learners	ACCS / Part Time learners
Cost associated with RPL	Please contact the RPL Facilitator	Please contact the RPL Facilitator
Closing date for RPL application and evidence submission	Please contact the RPL Facilitator	Please contact the RPL Facilitator
Maximum credits / exemptions allowed for RPL in Non Award Year	50%	50%
Maximum credits / exemptions allowed for RPL in Award Year	35%	35%

**For more information on RPL, please contact the RPL Facilitator
Mr. Oran Doherty on 074 9186707 or email oran.doherty@lyit.ie**

ACCS

(Accumulation of Credits and Certification of Subjects)

What is ACCS?

ACCS (pronounced “access”) stands for Accumulation of Credits and Certification of Subjects. The ACCS scheme allows you to study a portion of a full-time programme in a part-time mode. You can gain credits for each module successfully completed. You can accumulate credits, over time, towards a nationally recognised award, such as a single Subject Certificate, a Higher Certificate or even a Degree.

Who does ACCS suit?

ACCS will suit anyone who wishes to study part-time, by day, e.g.

- **Workers** who want to up-skill in just one or a few of the modules from a full-time programme.
- **Successful RPL Applicants** who now wish to study for remaining credits to achieve an award.
- **Anyone who cannot commit to full-time study.**

Does LYIT have many ACCS students?

Yes. The backgrounds and motivations of our part-time students are as varied as the programmes we offer.

Do ACCS students get some form of Certificate?

Yes. Each time you successfully complete a module you receive a Subject Certificate. If you accumulate an appropriate mix of Subject Certificates you may be able to cash them in for an award such as a Degree.

Are ACCS awards recognised nationally?

Yes.

How is ACCS timetabled?

In general, you attend classes during the day and alongside the full-time students. We are anxious to accommodate ACCS students as far as possible in the timetabling arrangements. *If you need to coordinate timetables with work schedules, please contact the relevant Head of School and/or our Industrial Liaison Officer during the summer before timetables are set.* We make particular efforts to try to accommodate groups. It may be more difficult to accommodate individuals.

How to Apply for ACCS

1. Check out our prospectus or website, to see the programmes/modules we offer.
2. Contact the relevant Head of Department and make an appointment to discuss your plans informally.

3. Submit a formal application to the Registry at LYIT. Contact Cathy McGowan, (074) 9186125 or e-mail cathy.mcgowan@lyit.ie to get the two forms you'll need:
 - the standard Direct Entry Application Form and
 - a more specific form showing your particular selection of modules/subjects. As all applicants may wish to enter different stages, this form must be tailored to each individual.
4. Complete both forms and include any supporting documentation, eg. employer references, examination results or qualifications that are relevant to the programme applied for, etc., and return them to the Registry at LYIT by **April 1st**.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

Application Fee	No application fee for ACCS students
Tuition & Registration	<p>The fees for full-time students are set annually by the Department of Education, usually in August. The scale of fee charged depends on the level and type of programme undertaken. ACCS students are charged on a pro-rata basis, with costs based on the total number of credits being taken.</p> <p>A full year consists of 60 credits, therefore ACCS students pay one sixtieth of the full-time fee for each credit taken. If the ACCS modules chosen are worth 10 credits, they will pay 10 sixtieths of the full-time fee and so on</p> <p>The minimum Registration Fee for ACCS students is €100. Subject to this minimum, the Registration fee is also calculated on a per credit basis, with one sixtieth of the full-time Registration Fee being charged per credit taken.</p>

Contact the Registry, (074) 918 6125, with specific fee queries.

UK and NI Applicants

If you have UK and Northern Irish awards please note:

- An award at **level 3** on the UK framework is the minimum entry standard.
- It is possible to meet the minimum requirements through a combination of exams taken over more than one year and/or through a combination of exam types, eg. academic awards, vocational awards or a combination of both.
- Maths and either English or Irish are required subjects.
- You must have a total of **five different subjects, including at least one A-level or VCE at grade E or better, for a Level 6 or Level 7 programmes.**
- You need a total of **six different subjects, including at least two A-levels or two VCEs at grade C or better for a Level 8 programme.**
- Total points awarded will be based on up to three GCE (A-levels/VCEs) and two GCSEs (O Levels).
- When calculating points, only exams taken in **one calendar year** will be counted.

You can also take a look at the UK entry in the IOTCEF booklet, which may be downloaded from http://www2.cao.ie/app_scoring/IOTCEF-full.pdf or see the qualification recognition section on <http://www.qualificationsrecognition.ie/recognition/>

BTEC

You can use BTEC National Certificates or National Diplomas to gain entry to a Level 6 or Level 7 programme. These awards are taken as equivalent to two A-levels for scoring purposes. A list showing BTEC qualifications that link well with LYIT programmes is available on our website.

Advanced GNVQ

It is possible to combine Advanced GNVQs with A levels, A/S levels or AVCE awards.

NVQ level 3 or City & Guilds Part III Certificate.

These are non-standard qualifications so you must apply before February 1st and may be called to interview.

HND

HND applicants may be considered for advanced entry. If you are a HND applicant applying for entry to any year other than first year, you should apply directly to LYIT. The form may be downloaded from www.lyit.ie. Attach details of your HND syllabus and results to the relevant form. If you decide to apply for first year, apply via the CAO. Attach HND details to the CAO form or, if you apply on-line, post them to the CAO later. Make sure your name and CAO number are attached.

Forwarding your Results.

If you present standard academic GCSE/ GCEs, your results will usually be sent from the exam board to the CAO. You will then get an automatic scoring.

If you present any exams *other than* standard Academic A-levels, you will be regarded as a non-standard applicant. That means you will not get an automatic scoring from the CAO, but will be rated by individual colleges. To assign you a rating colleges will need:-

1. A copy of your results showing the exam name and your grades.
2. A copy of the syllabus upon which the award is based.
3. A covering letter (from you school) indicating the level of the award on the UK framework of qualifications. (Unless this is already clear on the exam transcript.)

You should send any results you already have available to the CAO at the time of the initial application. If you are awaiting (further) results in the summer, be sure to state this on page 4 of the CAO application form. You should also indicate the date by which you expect to make these results available.

Please note. Normally LYIT will have reviewed results to date and entered ratings for round 1 by about **August 10th**. If you are relying on results that do not reach us by that date, then you may not be considered at round 1. Unfortunately, by round 2, places in high demand courses, e.g. nursing, may be full.

Non-EU Applicants

Non-EU Applicants (First Year)

Apply through the CAO system before **February 1st**. See the CAO Handbook and www.cao.ie for full details. In general you will be expected to have successfully completed **upper** second level schooling and to present final exams that are considered equivalent to the Irish Leaving Certificate exam.

Do I need to submit anything besides the CAO form?

Attach certified copies of second level terminal examinations, and any Higher Education examination transcripts to your CAO application form. If applying online, send these documents to the CAO by registered post. All exam transcripts should be supplied in the original language. For any documents not in English, you must also provide notarised English translations. Mark all documents with your name and CAO application number and include the CAO application fee.

What overseas second level exams are acceptable?

The Institute of Technology Common Evaluation Forum (IOTCEF) publishes guidelines as to which overseas exams meet the minimum entry requirements and indicates how these exams are scored. This booklet may be downloaded at http://www2.cao.ie/app_scoring/IOTCEF-full.pdf. The Qualification Recognition website may also be consulted: <http://www.qualificationrecognition.ie/recognition/>

Are Non-EU applicants considered for all programmes?

Non-EU applicants for Nursing programmes will only be considered if we fail to fill available places from the pool of qualified EU applicants. To date this has not happened. For all other programmes we offer places in order of merit, based on points achieved in terminal second level exam.

What is the requirement for English?

If English is not your first language, you need an internationally recognised certificate of competence in English. See the IOTCEF booklet mentioned above for a list of acceptable certificates.

English is the language of instruction and the language in which examinations are conducted. Applicants who do not have a high standard of both oral and written English would be unlikely to be successful. We don't offer supplementary classes in English Language for foreign nationals.

Immigration & student visas.

An offer of a place in college does not guarantee a non-EU applicant the right to enter or remain in the state. As a non-EU applicant, it is your responsibility to satisfy immigration requirements. We have no influence over the granting of visas and cannot offer assistance in these matters.

In general, students from visa required countries will be required to produce the following when applying for a student visa:

- An official letter of offer from a college for a full time programme requiring at least 15 hours per week.
- A college receipt showing you have paid your fees in full.

- Immediate access to at least €7,000. This is the estimated cost of living in Ireland as a student for 1 year.
- Bank statements showing sufficient private funds to live in Ireland and support yourself for the duration to your programme. The expectation of any earnings from casual employment will **not** be taken into account.
- Private medical insurance.

Can I work if I have a student visa?

Non-EU Students may undertake casual work for up to 20 hours part time per week or full time work during normal college vacation periods. The course you intend to study must be listed on the internationalisation register. You will be in breach of student visa conditions if you are in full-time employment, other than during vacation periods.

If as a graduate you wish to continue in employment here, you will need a work permit. Visa required nationals will normally have to return home while the work permit is being processed, and to apply for an employment visa in order to return to the state. An exception may apply where the prospective employment is directly related to the course of studies recently completed.

For more information see <http://www.educationireland.ie/index.php>.

For further information on immigration & visas see:

www.justice.ie
www.citizensinformation.ie
www.inis.gov.ie

The Offer Process

When are First Year offers issued?

The vast majority of offers for First Year are issued, via the CAO, in mid- to late August, after the Irish Leaving Certificate results become available. If all first round offers are not taken up, further offers may be issued on subsequent rounds in September/October.

It is at our discretion to avail of the opportunity to make early offers to mature and/or overseas applicants, but this will only be possible if we are in a position to make early decisions. That is if:

1. A complete application, including all the necessary supporting documentation has reached the CAO by February 1st;
2. The application is not based on current year exams, the results of which are still pending at the time of application.

This is a discretionary service. No undertaking that any offers will issue before August should be inferred from this statement.

What must I do to accept an offer?

If you receive an offer, you will also receive instruction as to how to accept it, and the deadline that applies. You must follow these instructions carefully. If you fail to respond to an offer correctly or on time, the offer may lapse and the place may be offered to someone on the waiting list. We advise you to be at the mailing address registered with the CAO during the offer period. If, for any reason, you are not at this address, you should authorise someone to open your mail and respond on your behalf.

What happens if I get two offers on a particular round?

Choose which one to accept. You can only hold one valid acceptance at a time, so you cannot accept both. The last acceptance received becomes the valid acceptance.

What happens if I accept one offer and get another one later on?

If, having accepted one offer, you subsequently receive a higher preference offer for another course (or college), you may choose to accept that higher offer or to ignore it. Think carefully before making this decision. If you accept a later offer, the original offer will lapse. Once the original offer lapses, that place may then be offered to another candidate and may no longer be available to you should you change your mind again.

What happens if I accept an offer and then change my mind?

If you change your mind because you have received a later alternative offer, see above. If you change your mind because you have decided not to go to college, then there are two choices:

1. Seek to defer entering college until the next year, (see page 221 opposite), or
2. If you are simply changing your mind about going to college, for example if you have decided instead to repeat the Leaving Certificate, or to take a job, then it would be helpful if you notified the college that you do not plan to attend. This will enable them to offer the place to someone else as soon as possible. In any case, whether you notify the college or not, if you fail to register as instructed, you will be deemed to have lost interest and the place may be offered to someone else.

Deferred Entry

What is Deferred Entry?

If you are offered a place through the CAO and find that you are unable to take it up in the current year, it may be possible to put off entry until the following year. See the CAO handbook for details. If you wish to defer, you must write **immediately** to the Registrar, attaching part C of the Offer Notice, and outlining the reasons why a deferral is sought. **This letter should arrive with us at least two days before the Reply Date shown on your Offer Notice.**

How do I qualify for Deferred Entry at LYIT?

In general, LYIT only agrees to deferrals on Certified Medical or other similarly serious grounds. If you apply for a deferral on the grounds that you wish to take a year out, repeat the Leaving Cert. or undertake another programme of study, we would not normally grant it. If a deferral is not granted you may still take up the offer in the current year, *provided* you have left sufficient time to meet acceptance deadlines.

Are there conditions related to Deferrals?

If a deferral is granted it is valid for one year only, and only for the course for which the applicant is accepted. If, for any reason, that course should be discontinued, the applicant will not, automatically, be entitled to a place on any other course.

If I have a Deferral do I need to re-apply?

Yes! Students holding deferrals often change their minds. So if you have a deferral, you must show your continued interest by re-applying, via the CAO, the following year. The deferred place must be the **only** preference listed on your re-application. If you fail to re-apply or, if when re-applying you list any course other than that for which you were granted a deferral, we will assume you have changed your mind about the deferred place, or that you have opted to enter a new competition. You may lose your deferred place.

Applicants for Advanced Entry

Years 2, 3, 4 and 5

Who is eligible for Advanced Entry?

If you have successfully completed a relevant Higher Education programme, to a suitable level, you are eligible to be considered for advanced entry. If your education ended at second level, you are not eligible for advanced entry.

Standard Advanced Entry

Standard applicants for advanced entry will have successfully completed a directly related programme at the preceding level on the National Framework. For instance, if you have successfully completed a three-year Level 7 programme, you will be eligible to enter year four of a related, add-on, Level 8 programme.

Non-standard and non-EU Advanced Entry

Non-standard applicants, such as those presenting foreign qualifications or any qualification other than a directly related National Framework of Qualifications award, must have completed *at least* one year of higher education. Your qualification must have arisen from a higher education programme in a similar area to the programme for which you are applying. The learning outcomes achieved must be similar to the learning outcomes achieved by students entering by standard progression from an LYIT programme.

- Offers and exemptions, if any, will depend on how well the learning outcomes of the non standard Higher Education programme fit with the

requirements of the programme to which you are applying. This will be assessed from the supporting documentation supplied, see below

How do I apply for Advanced Entry (years 2, 3, 4)?

Advanced Entry Applications should be made directly to the Admissions Office at LYIT. The appropriate form may be downloaded from www.lyit.ie and is also available by e-mail from cathy.mcgowan@lyit.ie or from:

The Admissions Office

Letterkenny Institute of Technology
Port Road
Letterkenny
Tel: (074) 918 6125

What documentation do I need to submit?

1. LYIT Direct Entry application form correctly completed.
3. Certified copies of relevant Higher Education examination transcripts in the original language.
4. Copies of the syllabus leading to those exams.
5. Notarised translations for any documents not in English.

In the absence of appropriate documents and translations, it will not be possible to process an application. We are not responsible for any original certification submitted and won't be able to return documents.

Is there a Fee for Advanced Entry application?

No.

What is the Closing Date for Advanced Entry application?

April 1st.

When will I know if my Advanced Entry application has been successful?

First round offers are issued in **July**. If all first round offers are not taken up, there may be subsequent rounds of offers in August.

All successful applicants will be notified in writing. You should ensure that you are at the correspondence address listed on your application form during the offer period and you must respond appropriately. If, for any reason, you are away from this address you should authorise someone to forward your mail or to open it and respond on your behalf. If you fail to respond appropriately or on time, your offer will expire and the place may be offered to someone on the waiting list.

When do I register?

Once you have formally accepted the offer, you will be told, in writing, of the arrangements for registration. Registration normally takes place during the first week of September.

Late registration

See page 202. However please note that when returning original proof and in

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Website: www.lyit.ie

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agencies VPN code:

1078

Direct dial Numbers:

Dial: (074) 918 + extension

Offices

	Extn.	Office	Extn.
President’s Secretary	6012	Medical Centre Nurse	6850
Registrar’ Secretary	6102	Medical Centre Fax	6851
Head of Development	6060	Medical Centre Doctor	6852
Admissions/Registration	6120/6125	Chaplin	6830
Examinations	6124	Student Counsellor	6817
Student Services	6810	Student Union Office	6820
Access Office	6170	SU Fax	6821
International Office	6064	SU President	6822
Careers Office	6812	SU Administrator	6823
APL Co-ordinator	6707	Security	6999
Dyslexia Support Service	6172	Estates Manager	6110
Sports Office	6811	Caretakers	6900

Academic Schools & Departments

School/Department	Position	Extn.	Fax
Business	Administrator	6210	6200
Business	Head of Department	6202	
Design	Head of Department	6203	
Law & Humanities	Head of Department	6204	
Science	Administrator	6310	6300
Science	Head of Dept	6302	
Nursing	Head of Dept	6303	
Computing	Head of Dept	6304	
Engineering	Administrator	6410	6400
Electronic & Mechanical	Head of Dept	6401	
Civil & Construction	Head of Dept	6403	
Tourism College	Administrator	6600	
Tourism & Hospitality	Head of Dept	6603	
Gastronomy/ Culinary Arts	Head of Dept	6604	

TABLE OF HISTORIC CAO POINTS REQUIREMENTS*

Code	Programme name	2006 Entry		2007 Entry		2008 Entry	
		Final	Median	Final	Median	Final	Median
LY107	Bachelor of Business	AQA	305	AQA	305	AQA	305
LY117	Administrative Management	AQA	230	AQA	255	115	250
LY127	Córais Faisnéis Oifige	230	410	155	160	295	295
LY137	Sports Development & Coaching	300	365	250	325	255	310
LY207	Law	AQA	300	110	330	AQA	325
LY217	Languages and International Business	175	415	235	395	190	414
LY306	Front Office Management at Killybegs	N/A	N/A	AQA	145	135	235
LY307	International Tourism & Hospitality - Killybegs	AQA	240	165	280	160	265
LY317	International Culinary Enterprise at Killybegs	AQA	252	200	335	160	260
LY407	Graphic Design	AQA	255	140	290	AQA	320
LY417	Product Design	110	265	AQA	275	AQA	270
LY427	Creative Digital Media	N/A	N/A	AQA	220	100	270
LY507	Quantity Surveying	290	330	250	330	200	302
LY517	Building Services Engineering	125	260	AQA	235	N/A	N/A
LY527	Civil Engineering	AQA	280	145	285	165	295
LY537	Construction	AQA	225	110	235	AQA	250
LY547	Architectural Technology	N/A	N/A	140	295	100	285
LY607	Electronic Engineering	115	235	115	270	AQA	250
LY617	Mechanical Engineering	AQA	285	AQA	240	AQA	280
LY627	Computer Engineering	165	325	115	180	AQA	225
LY637	Biomedical Engineering	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
LY708	Applied Computing	N/A	N/A	235	320	235	354
LY707	Computer Games Development	210	300	140	295	AQA	270
LY717	Computing with Business Applications	AQA	220	AQA	275	105	255
LY727	Computing with Network & Mobile Comms.	N/A	N/A	105	260	AQA	215
LY737	Computer Security & Digital Forensics	N/A	N/A	135	260	115	245
LY817	Bioscience	125	290	AQA	300	110	285
LY827	Analytical and Forensic Science	150	340	AQA	310	AQA	330
LY837	Food Science & Nutrition	AQA	320	155	345	100	315
LY847	Veterinary Nursing	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	185	345
LY907	Early Childhood Care	N/A	N/A	305	340	305*	360
LY917	Health & Social Studies	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	210v	305
LY908	General Nursing	#360	380	345	390	340	355
LY918	Psychiatric Nursing	330	350	290	315	300	325
LY928	I.D. Nursing	305	320	275*	300	290	315
LY938	Mature General Nursing	#176	#178	#174	#174	#169	176
LY948	Mature Psychiatric Nursing	#165	#171	#160	#165	#155	164
LY958	Mature I.D. Nursing	#158	#161	#157	#165	#130	160

* Points for 2009 not finalised at time of going to press. Points for all programmes for all years are available on CAO web site. N.B. programme names or codes may have changed from one year to the next. In such cases the current code/title for the nearest relevant programme is shown.