



# UCD 2018

## SUMMARY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS



University College Dublin  
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## How do I apply?

Generally, if you are an EU applicant for the first year of an undergraduate degree, you should apply via the Central Applications Office (CAO). It is best to apply online at [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie). The CAO handbook, which gives details of application procedures and closing dates, is available on the CAO website.

### Central Applications Office

Tower House  
Eglinton Street  
Galway

Website: [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie)  
Phone: 091 509800

If you are not eligible for EU fees (see below) or are a transfer applicant (post-year 1), you must apply directly to the University. Please see the UCD website for details.

## When must my results be with CAO?

All documentation and exam results which you are presenting for assessment for entry to UCD must be with CAO no later than the dates below:

- HEAR/DARE supporting documents 1 April 2018
- Irish Leaving Certificate 15 August 2018
- A-level: 16 August 2018
- Other School leaving exams: 3 August 2018
- Other applicants (e.g. QQI-FET/Mature/Transfers): please see the relevant UCD website.

It may not be possible to gain entry in the current year if documents and/or results are presented later than the relevant dates. This includes Leaving Certificate rechecks.

## How do I know my fees status?

- Were you born outside the EU/EEA?
- Have you, or your parents, lived outside the EU/EEA for 3 of the last 5 years?
- Are you a non-EU/EEA National?
- Have you previously attended a third-level institution (in Ireland or elsewhere)?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may not be eligible for "free" fees or EU Fees. Please see [www.ucd.ie/fees](http://www.ucd.ie/fees) for information on the fees which may apply to you.

If you are deemed to be a non-EU candidate for fees purposes, you should apply directly to UCD at [www.ucd.ie/apply](http://www.ucd.ie/apply). Please see [www.ucd.ie/international](http://www.ucd.ie/international) for more details.

## General Regulations

### Are there age limits?

Students must normally be 17 years old by 15 January following entry: i.e. for entry in 2018, date of birth must be on or before 15 January 2002. There is no upper limit.

### How are applications assessed?

Admission to all courses is competitive (i.e. there are more applicants than places) and, other than access routes (e.g. mature years or QQI FET), is based on the Leaving Certificate points system or equivalent. In the case of Medicine, the HPAT-Ireland results are taken in combination with the school-leaving results.

## What is my responsibility?

The onus is on you, the applicant, to check entry criteria for the courses for which you are applying. Please note criteria can change from year to year.

As an applicant, it is your responsibility to provide full and accurate information in the application and to notify the University and CAO of any changes or corrections made to the original application. UCD may request verification from the issuing authority of any or all details on documentation presented. If documents are found to have been falsified the awarding body will be notified.

In light of additional information which was not available at the time of selection, an offer may be amended or, in exceptional circumstances, withdrawn. We also reserve the right to correct errors where they have been made in the communication of decisions and offers.

## Do any courses require medicals?

You will be required to pass a health assessment prior to admission and from time to time thereafter, in accordance with the health policy of the College of Health and Agricultural Sciences if you are admitted to any of the following courses:

- Biomedical, Health and Life Sciences (DN440)
- Human Nutrition (DN262)
- Medicine (DN400 and DN401)
- Physiotherapy (DN420)
- Radiography (DN410)
- Nursing (DN450-453)

The assessment includes testing for Hepatitis B and Tuberculosis. The assessment will cost you approximately €280 (€250 for DN262 and DN440).

## Is a background check required?

If you are admitted to some programmes (currently: Human Nutrition, Medicine, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Radiography, Sports Management and Veterinary Nursing) you will be required to undergo checks with the National Vetting Bureau (NVB). In the event that a relevant offence is disclosed, you may not be permitted to register.

If you have lived outside Ireland for more than 6 months since the age of 18, you must provide Police Certificates for those countries.

## I am taking other EU exams, how will I be assessed?

UCD has agreed methods for converting all other recognised EU/EEA qualifications to a points equivalent. Please see our website for details. EU applicants presenting non-EU qualifications should contact Admissions for advice.

## Does it matter if I've attended third level before?

You **must** include details of all previous third level attendance when applying. For some courses restrictions apply. Previous third level attendance may have fees implications.

[www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/transfer.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/transfer.html).

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**1 September 2017**

## Irish Leaving Certificate

### What are the minimum entry requirements (matriculation)?

In order to be eligible to compete, you must present at least six recognised subjects (including all those necessary for the programme, see overleaf) and you must obtain a minimum of Grade H5 in two subjects and a minimum of Grade O6/H7 in the remaining four subjects.

For all courses, Irish and English are required. (Candidates born outside Ireland or educated outside Ireland for significant periods and candidates with certain disabilities may be entitled to claim an NUI Irish exemption. See [www.nui.ie](http://www.nui.ie) for details)

### What subjects are recognised?

All subjects of the Leaving Certificate – Higher and Ordinary level – are recognised for matriculation purposes, except as follows:

- 1 The subject 'Mathematics Ordinary Alternative/Foundation Level' will be accepted for matriculation registration purposes. However, points will not be awarded for this subject and it cannot be used as a substitute for the subject 'Mathematics' in programmes for which 'Mathematics' is an entry requirement.
- 2 The subject 'Gaeilge – Bonnleibhéal' (Irish-Foundation Level) will not be accepted for matriculation registration purposes or points.

### Are there any combinations of subjects not permitted?

- 1 The subject 'Physics and Chemistry' may not be presented with either 'Physics' or 'Chemistry'.
- 2 'Agricultural Economics' may not be presented with 'Economics'.
- 3 'Classical Studies' may not be presented with 'Latin' or 'Greek'.

Applicants presenting Leaving Certificate results which include subjects that are no longer offered should contact [admissions@ucd.ie](mailto:admissions@ucd.ie) with regard to acceptability and any exclusions which may apply.

### What are the Laboratory Science Subjects?

The following subjects in the Irish Leaving Certificate are recognised laboratory science subjects: Agricultural Science; Biology; Chemistry; Physics and Chemistry (Joint); Physics. See [www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/matric.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/matric.html) for further details. For some programmes, additional subjects are recognised as laboratory science subjects.

### What languages meet the third language requirement?

All languages offered in the Irish Leaving Certificate other than Irish and English. It does not have to be a European language.

### Does UCD accept the Applied Leaving Certificate?

No, this examination does not meet matriculation or entry requirements.

## How does the points system work?

As there are usually more applicants than places available, admission to undergraduate programmes is based on the points system.

The examination results of applicants who matriculate and meet Programme Entry Requirements (following pages) are assessed on the basis of allocating points for grades obtained in the Leaving Certificate examination.

Points are awarded as follows:

%	Grade	Points Higher Level	Points Lower Level
90-100	1	100	56
80-89	2	88	46
70-79	3	77	37
60-69	4	66	28
50-59	5	56	20
40-49	6	46	12
30-39	7	37	N/A

Leaving Cert Vocational Programme (LCVP) Link Modules	Grade	Points
	Distinction	66
	Merit	46
	Pass	28

### Notes:

- In 2018, 25 additional points will be awarded for a grade H6 or better in Leaving Certificate Mathematics, where that subject is one of the six subjects being counted for points purposes.
- The school-leaving examination performance of applicants is scored on the basis of applicants' best results in not more than six individual recognised subjects taken in the Leaving Certificate examination of any one year. Where an applicant presents school-leaving examinations in two or more years, the best result in a single sitting will be selected for scoring purposes.
- The one-year scoring restriction does not affect the separate matriculation requirements; i.e. it is still possible to complete matriculation requirements over more than one year, except for Medicine where applicants must meet the minimum entry requirements in the same sitting of the Leaving Certificate that they use for points calculation purposes.
- The subjects and combination of subjects not permitted for matriculation also applies when computing an applicant's points score.
- Remember, you must meet minimum matriculation and subject entry requirements in order to have a points score and be considered for entry to a course.
- As cut-off points are determined by the school-leaving results of applicants, it is not possible to forecast the points which will be required for entry to programmes in 2018.

### What about Leaving Certificates pre 2017?

For scoring of pre 2017 Leaving Certificate examinations, please see [www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/er.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/er.html)



# University College Dublin – Summary Entry Requirements

This table is intended as a summary of entry and matriculation requirements for school-leavers. Further details are published in the UCD Undergraduate Prospectus 2018, available from [www.ucd.ie/myucd/requestinfo](http://www.ucd.ie/myucd/requestinfo)

There are subject and degree options within most courses – see [www.myucd.ie](http://www.myucd.ie).

**Note: any changes in requirements for 2019 will be updated @ [www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/er.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/er.html)**

## Key

- O** indicates minimum grade at Ordinary level at Leaving Certificate
- H** indicates minimum grade at Higher level at Leaving Certificate
- \*** All applicants with a score greater than this were offered a place but it was not possible to offer to all applicants with this score and random selection was applied.

**Restricted application:** You must apply by 1 February (see CAO Handbook).

- Mature applicants for most courses must apply by 1 February.
- HEAR and DARE applicants must apply by 1 February but can alter their preferences subsequently. There is a quota for HEAR/DARE students in all courses except graduate entry routes.

The main alternative routes to first year are shown below. For progression routes, see UCD transfer website.

CAO Code and Title	Course Entry Requirements (Leaving Certificate) and Notes	Alternative Routes			Points (minimum)		Places (Approx)
		Mature	QQI-FET	Grad Entry	2017 Round 2	2016 Final	
<b>DN100</b> Architecture	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>Please note that graduate fees apply for the Master's portion of the programme.</i>	✓			492	510*	57
<b>DN120</b> Landscape Architecture	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics and 3 other recognised subjects	✓			348	AQA	25
<b>DN130</b> City Planning & Environmental Policy	O6/H7 in Irish, English Mathematics and 3 other recognised subjects	✓			N/A	N/A	25
<b>DN150</b> Engineering	H4 H6 in Mathematics and in a laboratory science subject (see page 2 for list) and O6/H7 in Irish, English and 2 other recognised subjects	✓			498	510	260
<b>DN200</b> Science	O3/H6 in Mathematics and a laboratory science subject (as listed on page 2 OR Geography OR Applied Mathematics) and O6/H7 in Irish, English, and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>You must choose <u>one</u> of the options below:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Biological, Biomedical and Biomolecular Sciences</i></li> <li>• <i>Chemistry and Chemical Sciences</i></li> <li>• <i>Mathematical, Physical and Geological Sciences</i></li> <li>• <i>No Preference (you can decide on your area of study during first year)</i></li> </ul> <i>You can only apply for DN200 ONCE. If successful, you will be guaranteed a place in the degree option applied for.</i>	✓	✓		509*	510	400
<b>DN201</b> Computer Science	O3/H6 in Mathematics and O6/H7 in Irish, English and 3 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		476	485	105
<b>DN230</b> Actuarial and Financial Studies	H2 O6/H7 in Irish, English and 3 other recognised subjects	✓			577	560	47



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		Mature	QQI-FET	Grad Entry	2017 Round 2	2016 Final	
<b>DN250</b> Agricultural Science	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>You must choose <u>one</u> of the options below:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Systems Technology</li> <li>• Animal &amp; Crop Production</li> <li>• Animal Science</li> <li>• Animal Science - Equine</li> <li>• Food and Agribusiness Management</li> <li>• Food Business with Chinese Studies</li> <li>• No Preference (you can decide on your area of study during first year)</li> </ul> <i>You can only apply for DN250 ONCE. If successful, you will be guaranteed a place in the degree option applied for.</i>	✓	✓		454	460	175
<b>DN252</b> Dairy Business	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		440	440	20
<b>DN253</b> Agri-Environmental Sciences	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		412	430	20
<b>DN261</b> Food Science	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		463	485	40
<b>DN262</b> Human Nutrition	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects	✓			499	530	27
<b>DN271</b> Forestry	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		292	AQA	15
<b>DN272</b> Horticulture, Landscape & Sportsturf Management	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		262	AQA	16
<b>DN300</b> Veterinary Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) <b>Restricted application</b>	H5 in Chemistry and O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics and 1 other recognised subject and at least 60 hours practical experience relevant to animal handling between 1st February 2015 and 19th March 2018 (for further information see <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/vet.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/vet.html</a> )  <i>Applicants who have previously been unsuccessful in a Veterinary Medicine programme will not normally be eligible.</i>			✓	559	565	82
<b>DN301</b> Veterinary Medicine (Graduate Entry) <b>Restricted application</b>	Based on UCD supplementary form, CV, degree and GAMSAT exam – see prospectus for full details  <i>Applicants who have previously been unsuccessful in any Veterinary Medicine programme will not normally be eligible.</i>  <i>This programme is not part of the Government "free tuition" scheme.</i>			✓	N/A	N/A	5

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		Mature	QQI-FET	Grad Entry	2017 Round 2	2016 Final	
<b>DN310</b> Veterinary Nursing	O3/H6 in a laboratory science subject (as listed on page 2 OR Home Economics) and O6/H7 in Irish, English and Mathematics and 2 other recognised subjects	✓	✓		467	465	44
<b>DN400</b> Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) <b>Restricted application</b>	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 1 other recognised subject  <i>Applicants who have previously been unsuccessful in any Medicine programme will not normally be eligible.</i>  <i>In 2018, undergraduate entry to medicine for school leavers will be based on:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>meeting the minimum entry requirements for the programme in the same sitting of the Irish Leaving Certificate Examination that is presented for points calculation purposes. A minimum of 480 points (or equivalent in other EU examinations) is required for consideration <u>and</u></li> <li>completing the required HPAT-Ireland test. The score from HPAT – Ireland can be used for admission to an undergraduate medicine course commencing in the same year <b>ONLY</b>. For example, results from HPAT – Ireland 2018 can be used for undergraduate medicine courses beginning in 2018 but <b>NOT</b> 2019.</li> <li>The points scores for Medicine are adjusted when combined with HPAT – Ireland. Please see <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/DN400_HPAT.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/DN400_HPAT.html</a>.</li> </ul>	✓			734	730*	90
<b>DN401</b> Medicine (Graduate Entry) <b>Restricted application</b>	Based on level 8 degree result and GAMSAT exam – see prospectus for full details <i>Applicants who have previously been unsuccessful in any Medicine programme will not normally be eligible.</i> <i>This programme is not part of the Government “free tuition” scheme.</i>			✓	59*	59*	77
<b>DN410</b> Radiography	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 1 other recognised subject	✓			500	525	95
<b>DN420</b> Physiotherapy	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 1 other recognised subject	✓		✓	552	550	56
<b>DN425</b> Health & Performance Science	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 1 other recognised subject	✓			498*	495	40
<b>DN430</b> Sport and Exercise Management	O3/H6 in Mathematics and O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, and 2 other recognised subject	✓			432	435*	40
<b>DN440</b> Biomedical, Health and Life Sciences	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 1 other recognised subject	✓			543*	540*	40



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		Mature	QQI-FET	Grad Entry	2017 Round 2	2016 Final	
<b>DN450</b> General Nursing	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>Applicants who have previously failed to meet programme requirements in any Nursing or Midwifery programme or have any issues which would affect their registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland will not normally be eligible.</i>	✓	✓		409*	420	169
<b>DN451</b> Children's & General Nursing (Integrated)	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>Applicants who have previously failed to meet programme requirements in any Nursing or Midwifery programme or have any issues which would affect their registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland will not normally be eligible.</i>	✓	✓		467	485	33
<b>DN452</b> Midwifery	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>Applicants who have previously failed to meet programme requirements in any Nursing or Midwifery programme or have any issues which would affect their registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland will not normally be eligible.</i>	✓	✓		462	480	22
<b>DN453</b> Mental Health Nursing	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics, a laboratory science subject (see page 2) and 2 other recognised subjects  <i>Applicants who have previously failed to meet programme requirements in any Nursing or Midwifery programme or have any issues which would affect their registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland will not normally be eligible.</i>	✓	✓		381	385	20
<b>DN520</b> Arts	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 3 other recognised subjects  <i>You must choose either (not all combinations are possible):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>2 subjects</b> from the following list: Art History; Celtic Civilization; Drama; English; French; Geography; German; Greek; Greek &amp; Roman Civilization; History; Irish; Irish Folklore; Irish Studies; Italian; Latin; Linguistics; Mathematics; Music; Philosophy; Political Studies; Spanish; Statistics</li> </ul> <b>Or</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1 subject</b> from the following list: Art History; Drama; English; French; German; Greek &amp; Roman Civilization; History; Irish; Italian; Linguistics; Music; Spanish</li> </ul> <b>with a minor</b> in one of the following subjects: Archaeology; Film Studies; Geography; Information and Communication Studies; Philosophy; Sociology  <i>You can only apply for DN520 ONCE.</i>	✓	✓		N/A	N/A	350

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		Mature	QQI-FET	Grad Entry	2017 Round 2	2016 Final	
<b>DN530</b> Humanities	<p>O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 3 other recognised subjects</p> <p><i>You must choose one of the following degree options:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Celtic Studies, Art History &amp; History</li> <li>• Classics, Art History &amp; Archaeology</li> <li>• Classics, English &amp; History</li> <li>• English Literature</li> <li>• English with Creative Writing</li> <li>• English, European and World Literatures</li> <li>• English, Drama and Film</li> <li>• Languages, Linguistics and Cultures</li> <li>• Music, Film &amp; Drama</li> </ul> <p><i>You can only apply for DN530 ONCE.</i></p>	✓	✓		N/A	N/A	220
<b>DN541</b> Modern Languages	<p>O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 3 other recognised subjects</p> <p><i>You must choose a <b>two subject combination</b> from:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• French, German, Italian and Spanish</li> </ul> <p><i>You can only apply for DN541 ONCE.</i></p>	✓	✓		464	455	50
<b>DN600</b> Law	<p>O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 3 other recognised subjects (you must have at least H3 in French to take Law with French Law)</p> <p><i>You must choose one of the options below:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law</li> <li>• Law with Chinese</li> <li>• Law with Economics</li> <li>• Law with French Law</li> <li>• Law with History</li> <li>• Law with Irish</li> <li>• Law with Politics</li> <li>• Law with Philosophy</li> <li>• Law with Social Justice</li> </ul> <p><i>You can only apply for DN600 ONCE.</i></p>	✓			522	525	120
<b>DN610</b> Business and Law	<p>O3/H6 in Mathematics and</p> <p>O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 2 other recognised subjects</p>	✓			521	520	120
<b>DN650</b> Commerce	<p>O3/H6 in Mathematics and</p> <p>O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 2 other recognised subjects</p>	✓	✓		499	500	210
<b>DN660</b> Commerce International	<p>O3/H6 in Mathematics and</p> <p>O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 2 other recognised subjects (you must have at least H4 in French to take any French combination)</p> <p><i>You <b>must</b> choose a two language combination at time of application from Chinese, French, German, Italian and Spanish. Following semester 1, students decide which language to continue with to degree level (minor) and which language to drop.</i></p> <p><i>You can only apply for DN660 ONCE.</i></p>	✓			509*	510	95



CAO Code and Title	Course Entry Requirements (Leaving Certificate) and Notes		Alternative Routes			Points (minimum)		Places (Approx)
			Mature	QQI-FET	Grad Entry	2017 Round 2	2016 Final	
<b>DN670</b> Economics and Finance	H4 in Mathematics and O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 2 other recognised subjects		✓			589	580*	60
<b>DN700</b> Social Sciences	<p>O6/H7 in Irish, English and Mathematics and 3 other recognised subjects</p> <p><i>You must choose one of following five degree options</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Computational Social Science;</i></li> <li><i>2. Economics, Mathematics and Statistics;</i></li> <li><i>3. Landscapes and Society;</i></li> <li><i>4. Philosophy, Politics and Economics</i></li> <li><i>5. Two subject combination (not all combinations are possible)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Either 2 subjects from the following list</i> Archaeology; Economics; Geography; History; Information and Communication Studies; Mathematics; Philosophy; Politics; Social Justice; Sociology; Statistics</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p><i>Or</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1 subject from the following list:</i> Archaeology; Economics; Geography; Information and Communication Studies; Philosophy; Politics; Sociology;</li> </ul> <p><b>with a minor</b> in one of the following: Art History; Celtic Civilization; English; Greek; Greek &amp; Roman Civilisation; History; Irish Folklore; Linguistics; Music; Chinese; French; German; Irish; Italian; Spanish</p> <p><i>You can only apply for DN700 ONCE.</i></p>		✓	✓		N/A	N/A	500
<b>DN710</b> Economics	H5 in Mathematics and O6/H7 in Irish, English and 3 other recognised subjects		✓			N/A	N/A	40
<b>DN720</b> Psychology	O6/H7 in Irish, English, another language and 3 other recognised subjects		✓			N/A	N/A	78
<b>DN750</b> Social Policy and Sociology	O6/H7 in Irish, English, Mathematics and 3 other recognised subjects		✓	✓		N/A	N/A	145

# University College Dublin – Summary Entry Requirements A-level

This supplementary table converts the subject entry requirements for A-level applicants; further details are published in the UCD Undergraduate Prospectus 2018. Please see preceding pages for subject combinations to be selected at the time of application. For contact details and Frequently Asked Questions, see [www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions).

To matriculate on the basis of A-level and GCSE examinations, a student must obtain Grade C or better in two recognised subjects at A-level (A/E or B/D is regarded as equivalent to Grade C/C for this purpose) and passes in four other recognised subjects at A-level/GCSE. At GCSE, grade C or better is regarded as a pass. Applicants must also meet Course Entry Requirements (see overleaf). *Students presenting A-level/ GCSE subjects should check the NUI website [www.nui.ie](http://www.nui.ie) for details of A-level subjects which are acceptable and those which will not be considered in combination (i.e. are mutually exclusive).*

## Key to required subjects:

O indicates minimum grade at GCSE  
A indicates minimum grade at A-level

\* All applicants with a score greater than this were offered a place but it was not possible to offer to all applicants with this score and random selection was applied.

Please note: for some courses particular subjects, while not required, are recommended – please see the prospectus for full details

CAO Code	Programme Title	Course Entry Requirements (A-level/GCSE)					Points (min)	
		English	Other Language	Mathematics	Laboratory Science	Additional Matriculation Subjects	2017 Round 2	2016 Final
<b>DN100</b>	Architecture <sup>(1)</sup>	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC		3	492	510*
<b>DN120</b>	Landscape Architecture	AE/OC		AE/OC		4	348	AQA
<b>DN130</b>	City Planning and Environmental Policy	AE/OC		AE/OC		4	N/A	N/A
<b>DN150</b>	Engineering	AE/OC		AC	AD <sup>(2)</sup>	3	498	510
<b>DN200</b>	Science	AE/OC		AD/OB	AD/OB <sup>(2)</sup>	3	509*	510
<b>DN201</b>	Computer Science	AE/OC		AD/OB		4	476	485
<b>DN230</b>	Actuarial and Financial Studies	AE/OC		AB		4	577	560
<b>DN250</b>	Agricultural Science	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	454	460
<b>DN252</b>	Dairy Business	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	440	440
<b>DN253</b>	Agri-Environmental Science	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	412	430
<b>DN261</b>	Food Science	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	463	485
<b>DN262</b>	Human Nutrition	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	499	530
<b>DN271</b>	Forestry	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	292	AQA
<b>DN272</b>	Horticulture, Landscape and Sportsturf Management	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	262	AQA
<b>DN300</b>	Veterinary Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) <sup>(3) (4) (5) (7)</sup>	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC	Chemistry AC	2	559	565
<b>DN310</b>	Veterinary Nursing	AE/OC		AE/OC	AD/OB <sup>(2)</sup>	3	467	465
<b>DN400</b>	Medicine (Undergraduate Entry) <sup>(3) (4) (6) (7)</sup>	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	2	734	730*
<b>DN410</b>	Radiography	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	2	500	525
<b>DN420</b>	Physiotherapy <sup>(7)</sup>	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	2	552	550
<b>DN425</b>	Health & Performance Science	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	2	498*	495
<b>DN430</b>	Sport and Exercise Management	AE/OC	AE/OC	AD/OB		3	432	435*
<b>DN440</b>	Biomedical, Health and Life Sciences	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	2	543*	540*
<b>DN450</b>	General Nursing <sup>(3)</sup>	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	409*	420
<b>DN451</b>	Children's & General Nursing (Integrated) <sup>(3)</sup>	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	467	485
<b>DN452</b>	Midwifery <sup>(3)</sup>	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	462	480



<b>DN453</b>	Mental Health Nursing <sup>(3)</sup>	AE/OC		AE/OC	AE/OC <sup>(2)</sup>	3	381	385
<b>DN520</b>	Arts	AE/OC	AE/OC			4	N/A	N/A
<b>DN530</b>	Humanities	AE/OC	AE/OC			4	N/A	N/A
<b>DN541</b>	Modern Languages	AE/OC	AE/OC			4	464	455
<b>DN600</b>	Law	AE/OC	AE/OC			4	522	525
<b>DN610</b>	Business and Law	AE/OC	AE/OC	AD/OB		3	521	520
<b>DN650</b>	Commerce	AE/OC	AE/OC	AD/OB		3	499	500
<b>DN660</b>	Commerce International	AE/OC	AE/OC	AD/OB		3	509*	510
<b>DN670</b>	Economics and Finance	AE/OC	AE/OC	AC		3	589	580*
<b>DN700</b>	Social Sciences	AE/OC		AE/OC		4	N/A	N/A
<b>DN710</b>	Economics	AE/OC		AC		4	N/A	N/A
<b>DN720</b>	Psychology	AE/OC	AE/OC			4	N/A	N/A
<b>DN750</b>	Social Policy and Sociology	AE/OC		AE/OC		4	N/A	N/A

1 Please note that graduate fees apply for the Master's portion of this programme.

2 The following subjects in the Irish Leaving Certificate/A-level are recognised laboratory science subjects:

- Agricultural Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics and Chemistry (Joint)
- Physics

In addition to the subjects above, Geography or Applied Mathematics may be used to meet the Laboratory Science subject requirement for Science (DN200).

Home Economics (Social & Scientific) may be used to meet the Laboratory Science subject requirement for Veterinary Nursing (DN310).

3 Applicants who have previously been unsuccessful in a similar programme will not normally be eligible.

4 Restricted Application – special tests require that application **must** be made by 1 February. However, applicants may add any of those courses (except DN300) to their application at CAO Change of Mind time, provided their CAO application at 1 February included the same course at another institution.

5 There is a mandatory practical experience requirement for this course ([www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/vet.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/vet.html))

6 In 2018, undergraduate entry to medicine for school leavers will be based on both:

- meeting the minimum entry requirements for the programme within three consecutive years, e.g. GCSE (2016), AS (2017), A-levels (2018). Only the score from the combined AS/A-level sittings which meet this requirement will be considered. A minimum of 480 points (or equivalent in other EU examinations) is required for consideration. **And**
- completing the required HPAT-Ireland test. The score from HPAT-Ireland can be used for admission to an undergraduate medical course commencing in the same year ONLY. Points scores are adjusted when combined with HPAT – Ireland. Please see [www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/DN400\\_HPAT.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/DN400_HPAT.html)

7 Graduate entry pathway exists. Please see [www.ucd.ie/maturestudents](http://www.ucd.ie/maturestudents) for details.

### Indicative points equivalence:

For A-level points scoring see

[www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/alevel.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/alevel.html)

### Note:

- A maximum of four different recognised subjects, which are not mutually exclusive, will be counted for points purposes.
- Only A-level grades awarded at the same date can be considered for computation.
- An applicant's score will be calculated on the basis of either of the following:
  - their best 4 A-level subjects from one academic year
  - or**
  - their best 3 A-level subjects from one academic year plus one AS level in a different subject from the same or the preceding academic year only.
- In 2018, 25 additional points will be awarded for a grade E or better in Mathematics at A level. This will apply to only ONE mathematics subject of Mathematics, Further Mathematics and Pure Mathematics where that subject is one of the four subjects being counted for points purposes.
- **N.B.** Mathematics and Pure Mathematics cannot be counted separately for points purposes.
- As cut-off points are determined by the school-leaving results of applicants, it is not possible to forecast the points which will be required for entry to programmes in 2018.

## Important dates for applicants

4 November 2017	UCD Open Days
6 November 2017	CAO Applications for 2018 Open
9 January 2018	UCD CAO Information Evening
20 January 2018	CAO Early Closing Date (discounted fee)
1 February 2018	CAO Closing Date—don't leave it until the last minute!
24 February 2018	HPAT-Ireland Test
3 March 2018	MSAP-Ireland Test (mature applicants: relevant programmes listed at <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/maturestudents">www.ucd.ie/maturestudents</a> ) Applicants can also choose <u>alternative dates of 8 or 13 March</u>
24 March 2018	GAMSAT test
1 May 2018	Late CAO closing date (NB not applicable for all courses)
1 July 2018	CAO Change of Mind Closing Date
Early July	Round A CAO Offers (Mature applicants and applicants deferred from 2017)
Early August	Round 0 CAO Offers (QQI-FET/Graduate Entry)
c15 August 2018	Leaving Certificate results issue
c16 August 2018	A-level results issue
c20 August 2018	Round 1 offers
Late August 2018	Round 2 offers
4 September 2018	Start of UCD Orientation Week
10 September 2018	Lectures start

## Useful websites

<b>Entry requirements</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/matric.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/matric.html</a>
<b>A-level Applicants</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/alevel.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/alevel.html</a>
<b>EU/EEA applicants</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/eu.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/eu.html</a>
<b>Non-EU applicants</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/international">www.ucd.ie/international</a>
<b>QQI FET applicants</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/FET.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/FET.html</a>
<b>Mature applicants</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/myapply.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/myapply.html</a>
<b>DARE and HEAR</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/access_targets.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/access_targets.html</a>
<b>Graduate Entry Pathways</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/gradentry.html">www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/gradentry.html</a>
<b>Scholarships</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/scholarships/">www.ucd.ie/scholarships/</a>
<b>Accommodation</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie/residences/">www.ucd.ie/residences/</a>
<b>Frequently Asked Questions</b>	<a href="http://www.ucd.ie//registry/admissions/faqs.html">www.ucd.ie//registry/admissions/faqs.html</a>

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