



Applying on the Grounds of Mature Years

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DN519 Psychology

Apply to CAO by 1 February	Apply for MSAP-Ireland Assessment by 5 February
<u>www.cao.ie</u>	<u>msap-ie.acer.edu.au</u>

Entry Procedure:

MSAP – Ireland Assessment & Personal Statement & Evidence of relevant Educational Qualifications

All elements must be completed.

The **MSAP – Ireland Assessment** is designed to allow you to demonstrate your skills in written English (Module 1) and your capacity for critical reasoning in the area of Humanities and Social Sciences (Module 2). The assessment takes two hours in total.

The only sitting of the MSAP-Ireland assessment in 2017 will take place on 4 March 2017. There will be no alternative assessment date.

Further information on the MSAP-Ireland assessment is available on the [UCD Mature Applicants website](http://www.ucd.ie/mature).

Please ensure that you read this information carefully before making your application.

Important Note for MSAP-Ireland Applicants:

Applicants must receive their CAO application number before they can apply for the MSAP-Ireland assessment so you are advised to apply online via www.cao.ie. Your CAO application number will issue by email, as soon as the application is submitted. Applicants who apply using the paper version of the CAO application form may not receive their CAO application number in time to meet the MSAP-Ireland registration deadline.

Your **Personal Statement** allows you the opportunity to indicate why you wish to undertake a BA degree in Psychology and should not exceed 600 words.

Please note that places in DN519 are limited and your personal statement will be very important to those assessing your application.



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It should cover the following areas:

Relevant Occupational or Life Experience:

- details of any relevant experience gained through employment and/or volunteer work which indicate your readiness for the Psychology degree programme;
- any other experiences (e.g. personal experiences, interests, activities, etc.), which you believe to be relevant to somebody embarking on a BA degree in Psychology.

Motivation and Interest:

- your interest in academic study and your desire to return to learning;
- your reasons for wishing to undertake a BA degree in Psychology;
- the degree's potential contribution to your future plans;
- any other experience which is relevant to your application.

A Personal Statement Template is available at www.ucd.ie/maturestudents

Applicants for DN519 must also provide **Evidence of relevant Educational Qualifications** in support of their application.

Relevant documents and information should be forwarded to the CAO by post within 7 days of completing your CAO application.

Please ensure that your CAO application number is clearly noted on any documents sent to the CAO.