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COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION

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GENERAL INFORMATION

COSTS

There are no tuition fees for EU students. All courses are funded by the Irish Government under the National Development Plan. Please contact the college for relevant course details.

An additional €200 government levy applies to all students. You are exempt from this fee if you hold a medical card that is in your own right or if you are dependent on a medical card holder.

MAINTENANCE GRANT SCHEME (SUSI)

The Department of Education and Skills provides a means-tested maintenance grant for learners attending full-time further education. Assistance and information regarding eligibility can be accessed through www.studentfinance.ie

BACK TO EDUCATION ALLOWANCE (BTEA)

The Back to Education Allowance (BTEA) is a scheme that can be accessed by those who are unemployed, lone parents, people with disabilities or those who are in receipt of a Department of Social Protection benefit.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Work Experience is an integral part of each course. Work experience can greatly enhance your skills and knowledge. Many students secure employment from their work experience.

GUIDANCE COUNSELLING SERVICES

The services of a Guidance Counsellor are available to students during the college year via appointment. Students are assisted with the completion of the CAO and UCAS forms.

LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES

Supports are available for students in the college.

GARDA VETTING

Central College Limerick is committed to practices which safeguard the welfare of students, young people and vulnerable adults. Garda vetting is mandatory for all students attending Central College Limerick. The Garda vetting forms are available from the college on the offer of a place.

PROGRESSION

On completion of our QQI Level 5 or Level 6 awards many of our graduates obtain employment in their vocational area, others choose to complete further studies at third-level.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students can apply online at www.centralcollegelimerick.ie

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Business Studies/Business Legal

Programme Code: 5M2102

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This course enables students to demonstrate and apply a range of business skills and business knowledge in a variety of business contexts. We provide students with the skills, knowledge and competence required to work effectively in a business organisation or progress to academic business programmes.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Accounting Manual and Computerised
- Database Methods
- Business Law
- Marketing Practice
- Digital Marketing
- Applied Economics
- Statistics
- Word Processing
- Communications
- Work Experience

** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

**Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card*

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this programme can gain employment in the following areas:

- Administration
- Accounts
- Marketing

DESTINATION OF PAST GRADUATES

- Business Studies - UL
- Business courses - LIT or other Institutes of Technology
- Finance courses - LIT or other Institutes of Technology
- Marketing in LIT
- Law - UCC



Central College Limerick has the most hard working, patient, dedicated and involved teachers you will ever find. I studied Business and Legal Studies. Our teachers dedicated their time to each one of my classmates to go through every one of our assignments individually to make sure we were reaching our full potential and guide us towards a better grade. I got 8 distinctions from all of my exams which I am absolutely delighted with. I got my first choice in the CAO this time and went off to study Law Pathways in University College Cork which two years ago would never have seemed possible. I can't say enough good things about CCL and their staff. Their encouragement throughout the year meant everything and I wouldn't be where I am today without their support.

Roberta Vaineikyte
Past Student

Tourism

Programme Code: 5M5011

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This course is aimed at students who wish to enhance their skills in the Tourism and Hospitality industry. The course encourages students to gain supervisory experience in various tourism related areas. We provide students with the skills, knowledge and competence required to work effectively in the Tourism area or progress to academic programmes.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Tourism Principles and Practice
- Tourism Awareness
- Appreciation of Irish Culture
- Customer Services
- Marketing Practice
- Front Office Skills
- Culinary Techniques
- Word Processing
- Applied Economics
- Communications
- Work Experience

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FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

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EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this programme can gain employment in the following areas:

- Travel Agencies
- Hospitality
- Front Office

DESTINATION OF PAST GRADUATES

- Tourism/Business courses - UL or other Universities
- Tourism/Business courses - LIT or other Institutes of Technology



I completed the Travel & Tourism course in Central College Limerick in 2018/2019. This course really improved my confidence. I found the modules very interesting, informative and extremely helpful for the Hospitality Studies course that I am currently studying in LIT. I cannot speak highly enough of the staff in CCL. They were always so helpful and provided feedback on all of my assignments. I would highly recommend CCL for anyone who is thinking of completing a PLC course. The PLC route that I have taken in CCL has given me the foundation to help me for my further studies.

Danicka Hallissey
Past Student

Early Childhood Care & Education

Programme Code: 5M2009

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Our highly dedicated team of tutors will assist the students in gaining knowledge of working with young children in a variety of early childhood settings. The course modules are designed to give the student theoretical and practical skills required for working with children.

On successful completion of the major award at Level 5, students may choose to study for a QQI Level 6 award at this college, enter the workforce or progress to Higher Education.



TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Child Development
- Early Care and Education Practice
- Early Childhood Education and Play
- Child Health and Well Being
- School Age Childcare
- Understanding Special Needs
- Communications
- Work Experience



** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

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EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this programme can gain employment in the following areas:

- Pre-schools
- Creches and After School Services
- Special Needs Assistants in Primary Schools/Secondary Schools.
- Graduates can also progress to the Level 6 Childcare course offered in the college.
- Graduates can progress to Degree Programmes in Higher Education in Mary Immaculate College and various Institutes of Technology.

Hello, my name is Sammy Fox, I am 28 years old. I studied in CCL for 2 years, in which I achieved my QQI Level 5 and 6 in Early Childcare. I thoroughly enjoyed my experience in CCL during my 2 years studying there. The help and support from all the tutors was spectacular. They were always there to help and support myself and my fellow classmates. I really enjoyed the course as I had a great interest in every module and working with children between the ages of 0-6. Since graduating from CCL I have a full-time job as a room leader in a crèche. If it wasn't for CCL and carrying out my work experience in this crèche, I would not have a full time job here. So I thank CCL for this opportunity.

Sammy Fox
Past Student

Early Childhood Care & Education

Programme Code: 6M2007

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

6

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This programme is offered to learners who have completed a Major Award in Early Childhood Care and Education at QQI Level 5. The purpose of this award is to enable the learner to acquire the knowledge, skill and competence to work as an autonomous practitioner to lead and coordinate the provision of a quality early childhood care and education environment which promotes children's well-being, development and learning.



TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Child Development
- Early Childhood Curriculum
- Childhood Social Legal and Health Studies
- Special Needs Assisting
- Early Childhood Literacy and Numeracy
- Child Psychology
- Communications
- Work Experience



* Some of these modules may be subject to change

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €80*

*Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

QQI Level 5 Major Award in Early Childhood Care and Education

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this Award may gain employment in the following areas:

- Crèches
- Playgroups
- Preschools
- Special Needs Assistants

Graduates can also progress to Degree programmes in Higher Education Institutions. Students who gain all distinctions may be eligible to apply, for example, to Year 2 of the BA in Early Childhood Care and Education (Mary Immaculate College) and/or Early Childhood Studies (University College Cork).



I started my journey in Central College Limerick (CCL) just over two years ago. I began the Level 5 Early Childhood Care and Education course and continued into Level 6, CCL has given me a strong foundation in the childcare sector which motivated me to continue my studies in Mary Immaculate College where I am currently studying the Level 8 Degree in Early Childhood Care and Education. Because I did Level 5 & 6 in ECCE I was able to go straight into the second year of the course in Mary Immaculate. This was based on an interview and a short written exam. I was well prepared due to all the course work that we had covered in CCL. For future students I would highly recommend continuing onto Mary Immaculate College, as you don't feel thrown into the deep end. It has given me more opportunities and options to work within the childcare sector. This was only possible due to the time, effort and preparation from the tutors. I would like to thank them for all they have done.

Helen Gibsey
Past Student

Sport & Recreation

Programme Code: 5M5146

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

5

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This course provides students the opportunity to develop the skills and qualifications necessary to gain employment in the leisure industry. Students have the option of completing the NCEF personal trainer course in the University of Limerick on completion of Level 5 Sport and Recreation at CCL.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Sport and Recreation
- Exercise and Fitness
- Nutrition
- Coaching
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Occupational First Aid
- NCEF - Personal Training Course (Optional, additional fees apply)
- Communications
- Work Experience

** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

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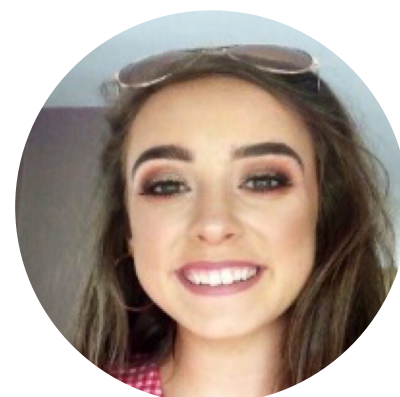
EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this programme can gain employment in the following areas:

- Gym
- Coaching
- Fitness Instructor

DESTINATION OF PAST GRADUATES

- Sports Development and Coaching - LIT
- Sports and Exercise Science - UL
- Physical Education - UL
- Sports Studies and Physical Education B Ed - UCC
- Sports Development and Coaching - LIT
- Health and Leisure - IT Tralee
- Personal Trainer
- Fitness Instructors in Gyms and Leisure Centres



I would 100% recommend this course to people. Until you actually are in the course you don't realise how much you can apply to your everyday life which makes the difference. It also is a massive foundation to what could eventually be a platform for a career in the industry. It also has brilliant progression opportunities to various other courses and jobs. The Sport and Recreation course really is one of the best around and in my opinion I would consider it the best because of the vast experience you receive and the guidance from the tutors is second to none. Every tutor wants you to succeed which is something you don't receive everywhere. It also gives you a great insight into doing assignments which people wouldn't be used to after secondary school.

Aimee O'Brien
Past Student

Nursing Studies

Programme Code: 5M4349

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

5

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This course provides essential elements of knowledge, competence and skill for academic progression or employment within the healthcare setting. The course provides the foundation skills and entry requirements to Degree Programmes in Ireland and the UK. The course encourages an appreciation of the work involved in caring for all age groups, and emphasises the importance of interpersonal communication.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

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

** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

**Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card*

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from this programme can gain employment in the following areas:

- Care Assistant in a Hospital
- Home Help
- Care Assistant in a Nursing Home

DESTINATION OF PAST GRADUATES

- General Nursing
- Intellectual Disability Nursing
- Midwifery
- Psychiatric Nursing

Various Institutes of Technology, Universities in Ireland and the UK.



I attended Central College Limerick in September 2018. I did the Pre Nursing course. From this course I gained a lot of knowledge and work experience in the line of Nursing. I couldn't recommend this college enough as the tutors are more than helpful and were willing to assist me all the way. This course in CCL has been very successful for me as I got offered Nursing in Napier University Edinburgh, Stirling University Scotland and University College Cork. I'm currently studying Nursing in UCC and couldn't be happier. I got offered my first choice on my CAO in the first round offers. Advice I'd give to current students doing the Pre Nursing course is to work hard, keep on top of your assignments and make the most of your work experience.

Ide Cunningham
Past Student

Healthcare Support

Programme Code: 5M4339

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

5

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This one year course is to enable the learner to acquire the knowledge, skill and competence to work under supervision in providing support in a variety of Healthcare settings or to progress to further and or higher education and training.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Infection Prevention and Control
- Health Hygiene and Safety
- Care Support
- Care of the Older Person
- Care Skills
- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Communications
- Work Experience

** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

**Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card*

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from the course can secure employment as Healthcare Assistants in a variety of care settings in the private or public sector.

Graduates can progress to QQI Level 6 Healthcare Services Supervisory Management Skills in Central College Limerick. Graduates can also access a range of related courses in Institutes of Technology and Universities.



I studied Health Care Support in the 2018/2019 academic year. I had the most wonderful time during my studies at Central College Limerick. I had very good tutors who were always there to help out whenever I needed help. I enjoyed every moment doing the course. The course opened up a world of new experiences that were exciting to know about. After graduating I am employed as a fully qualified Health Care Assistant putting to use the invaluable knowledge I got from tutors in the college. I am grateful and happy that I chose to attend my course at Central College Limerick.

Phangano Ndhlovu
Past Student

Healthcare Services Supervisory Management Skills

Programme Code: 6M4978 Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The purpose of this award is to enable the learner to acquire the knowledge, skill and competence required to work independently or in a supervisory role in a range of health services contexts and/or to progress to higher education and training.

It is suitable for candidates currently working as a healthcare assistant in a hospital, nursing home, daycare centre and in the client's own home in a supervisory position or those who wish to progress to a Supervisory/Management role.



TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Conflict Management
- Health Promotion
- Employment Law
- Database Methods
- Strategic Planning
- Disability Awareness
- Communications
- Work Experience



* Some of these modules may be subject to change

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

It is aimed at learners who have achieved either a QQI Level 5 Certificate in the area of Healthcare or equivalent. Alternatively, it may be suitable for learners who have relevant work experience in the Healthcare area.

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €80*

*Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

This Advanced Level 6 Certificate course offers holders of a QQI Level 5 Health-related award the opportunity to undertake further study in this area. The purpose of this award is to enable the learner to acquire the knowledge, skill and competence to undertake Supervisory Management roles in the community and in a range of Health Services settings. Successful completion of this award will also offer enhanced opportunities in employment and will also enable the learner to progress to other appropriate programmes leading to awards at higher levels of the National Framework of Qualifications.



I enjoyed studying in CCL and loved the course. The course modules were very good and helped me at my workplace. I got a job while I was in the college in The Park Nursing Home. I really enjoy it and always use the information provided on the course to deal with different situations. All the tutors and other staff were very helpful. They were always there to help me and others. It was lovely to be a part of CCL and I always recommend it to my colleagues and other girls coming for work experience in The Park.

Nazish Kayani
Past Student

Community and Health Services /Social Studies

Programme Code: 5M4468 Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

5

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This is a one year course that will provide students with foundation skills in Social Studies and allow them to gain a greater understanding of how they can be applied in the community.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Human Growth and Development
- Family Studies
- Legal Practice and Procedures
- Care Support
- Care of the Older Person
- Understanding Special Needs
- Social Studies
- Communications
- Work Experience

** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

**Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card*

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can secure employment in Social Studies/Social Care within a variety of care settings in the private or public sector.

Graduates can progress to QQI Level 6 Community Development in Central College Limerick.

Graduates can also access a range of related courses in Institutes of Technology and Universities.



In September 2018 I started studying Level 5 Social Studies in Central College Limerick. I am now studying Level 6 Community Development. I feel like I have learned and grown my skillset so much since I joined CCL. The atmosphere in the college is really friendly and the staff are always so nice and helpful. CCL has helped me find my confidence in education. The tutors in CCL have supported me in finding my confidence and have shown me that education can be interesting and fun. I would strongly advise anyone thinking of returning to education to apply to CCL. Also, I was able to use my Level 5 Social Studies Award to progress to Level 6. This is an important year to me because I can develop my academic and professional skills and focus on career opportunities.

Grzegorz Sledzinski
Current Student

Community Development

Programme Code: 6M3674

Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

6

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This is a one year course that will provide students with foundation skills in Social Studies and allow them to gain a greater understanding of how they can be applied in the community.



TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Community Development Theory
- Community Development Practice
- Conflict Management
- Disability Awareness
- Group Work Theory and Practice
- Supervisory Skills
- Social Analysis
- Communications
- Work Experience



** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

It is aimed at learners who have achieved either a QQI Level 5 Certificate in the area of Social Care or equivalent. Alternatively, it may be suitable for learners who have relevant work experience in the Community Care area.

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €80*

**Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card*

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Those who achieve this award will have a wide range of career opportunities open to them including:

- Community Development
- Family Resource
- Health Care Voluntary Organisations
- Disability Services

This course is also aimed at students who wish to pursue further studies in this area. They can also apply through CAO for a wide range of degree courses, such as Social Care at Level 8 and Community Development at Level 8 in various Institutes of Technology and Universities.

I returned to education as a mature student in Central College Limerick in 2018. This was a hugely positive experience for me and prepared me for the changing demands of the work environment. I shared class with a diverse group of students, all eager to learn with a shared interest in Social Studies/Community Development. My greatest enjoyment was learning about the cultures and experiences of my classmates both in role play and presentations. I found that tutors were supportive and focused on helping us achieve to the best of our ability. Feedback allowed us insight into personal performance. Classes were interesting and engaging in a relaxed environment. I gained in computer and writing skills and confidence in public speaking. I met some great people and made many friendships. My Level 6 qualification now allows me to apply for jobs in my chosen area of Community Development.

Siobhán Costello
Past Student

Fire & Ambulance Access Course/Nursing Studies

Programme Code: 5M4349 Duration: 1 Year

QQI LEVEL

5

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This is a one year course that will provide students with foundation skills in Healthcare and allow them to gain a greater understanding of how they can be applied in the Healthcare area.

TYPICAL COURSE CONTENT

Modules offered include the following:

- Infection Prevention and Control
- Health, Hygiene and Safety
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Care Support
- Care of the Older Person
- Human Growth and Development
- Care Skills
- Nursing Theory and Practice
- Communications
- Work Experience



** Some of these modules may be subject to change*

FEES

Administration Charge: €165

PLC Programme Participant Contribution: €200*

QQI Exam Fee: €50*

**Exempt if you are the holder of a valid Medical Card*

EMPLOYMENT/PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates from the course can apply for positions with the HSE and County Council Fire Service.

Graduates can also access a range of related courses in Institutes of Technology and Universities.



I am currently studying the Fire & Ambulance Access Course/ Nursing Studies in CCL. I am really enjoying my time in the college and the tutors are really helpful and friendly. I came to CCL from Galway because my sister had previously studied Childcare in CCL and is now attending Mary Immaculate College. We both cannot speak highly enough of CCL.

Ashling Quinn
Current Student

QQI LINKS SCHEME

FRAMEWORK OF QUALIFICATIONS

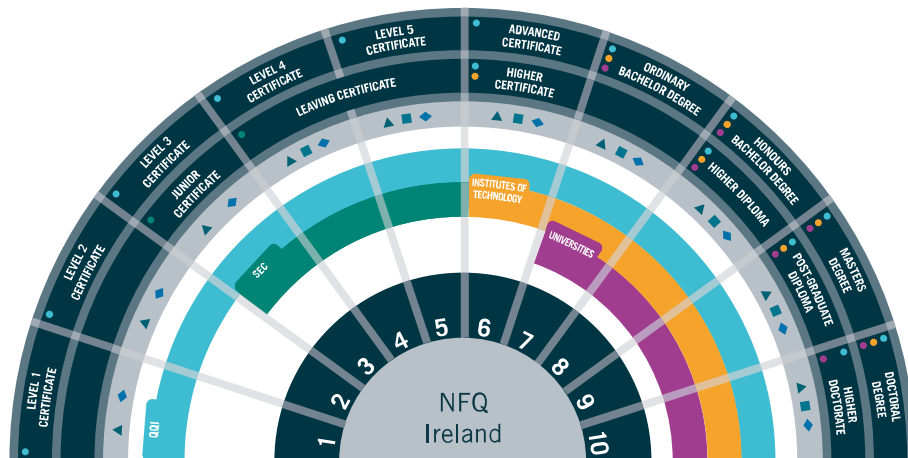
All awards delivered in Central College Limerick are QQI accredited. Awards are placed at Level 5 and 6 on the National Framework.

Quality and Qualifications Ireland was established on 6 November 2012 under the Qualifications and Quality Assurance (Education and Training) Act 2012. The Authority was created by an amalgamation of four bodies that have both awarding and quality assurance responsibilities: the Further Education and Training Awards Council (FETAC), the Higher Education and Training Awards Council (HETAC), the National Qualifications Authority of Ireland (NQAI) and the Irish Universities Quality Board (IUQB). The Authority has assumed all the functions of the four legacy bodies while also having responsibility for new or newly-statutory responsibilities in particular areas. Visit www.qqi.ie for further information.

LINKS

Progression through CAO with a QQI Level 5 and Level 6 award.

A scoring system exists for all Level 5 and 6 awards, providing access through CAO to the first year of programmes leading to awards at Levels 6, 7 and 8. For more information, view Access, Transfer and Progression on the QQI website under 'What We Do'.



For QQI CAO applicants there are forty Higher Education Institutions including Universities, Institutes of Technology and private third-level colleges offering places on a variety of courses. In addition to the Higher Education Links Scheme (HELs) which links specific QQI Level 5 Certificates and some Level 6 Advanced Certificates to a number of reserved places on higher education courses in participating Higher Education Institutions.

PROGRESSION TO LIMERICK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Central College Limerick has a local agreement in place with Limerick Institute of Technology, allowing learners an opportunity to directly progress from any CCL major award to any course in LIT. Students wishing to enter a Level 6 or Level 7 LIT course, will need to pass their Level 5 major award in CCL. Students wishing to enter a Level 8 course in LIT, will need to achieve at least 3 distinctions within their CCL major award. Applications are made through www.cao.ie



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Errors and omissions excepted.