

Subject Specific Information

1. Information Technology in First Arts has a class limit of 120 places, offered in the first week of registration.
2. Italian, German and Spanish may be taken in First Year without previous knowledge of these languages. Students wishing to take First Year French are expected to have attained a Grade H4 in French in the Leaving Certificate or equivalent. Choosing to study a modern language to degree level involves spending a period, normally a year, abroad in a country or region where the language they are studying is widely spoken. Therefore, after successfully completing the Second Arts examination and in advance of registering for Final Year studies of the BA programme, students will be required to spend a period abroad to prepare them for the demands of the Final Year of their degree studies in a language. Students registered for two languages are required to spend a minimum of twelve weeks in each of the countries/regions where the relevant languages are spoken. This will usually consist of an academic year abroad arranged by the university in one language and a summer placement arranged by the student in the other relevant country/region.
3. On completion of Psychology as a subject in First Year, there are two progression opportunities. There are 15 places available for eligible students on GY101 BA (Joint Honours) and GY129 BA (Global Experience) inclusive to transfer into the second year of the BSc (Psychology) programme. There are 100 places for students entering Psychological Studies in Second Year i.e. continuing with Psychological Studies as one of their subjects to degree level. All places will be decided on academic merit in that discipline, based on the results of the first sitting (Semester 1 and Semester 2) of the First Arts Examination in the student's first year of attendance, where the student must have passed the First Arts examination outright by achieving an average of 40% or higher in each of their subjects.
4. In Second Arts, there is a limit of 130 on the number of students admitted to Law. Places in Law will be decided on academic merit in that discipline, based on the results of the first sitting (Semester 1 and Semester 2) of the First Arts examination in the student's first year of attendance, where the student must have passed the First Arts examination outright by achieving an average of 40% or higher in each of their subjects.
5. Students must achieve 45% in Mathematics in first year to proceed to Mathematical Studies in second year. Students must achieve 60% and pass the module MA186 in Mathematics to proceed to second year Mathematics. Mathematics: Students should have achieved at least an OA2 or HC3 level in the Leaving Certificate Mathematics. Around 66% of students taking the module will have studied higher level mathematics at Leaving Certificate. Mathematical Studies: the majority of students will have studied ordinary level mathematics at Leaving Certificate, though some will have studied the subject at higher level.
6. Léann na Cumarsáide is taught entirely through the medium of Irish and focuses on media and journalism. Students intending to take this subject are encouraged to choose Gaeilge and Léann an Aistriúcháin as their other subjects in First Year.