



Subject Choice 2021

DOMINICAN COLLEGE WICKLOW



15 subjects on offer

Choose any FOUR

Optional Subjects

- Accounting
- Art
- Biology
- Business
- Economics
- Chemistry
- Home Economics
- Music
- Spanish
- German
- **LCVP**
- Physics
- French
- Geography
- History

LCVP- additional 8th subject

Preparation for world of work

- ▶ Work Experience
- ▶ Enterprise Education
- ▶ Reports- Action Plan
- ▶ Interview
- ▶ Exam in May

Excellent for Points

Pass = 28 Points

Merit = 46 Points

Distinction = 66 Points(equivalent to a H4)

LCVP can be chosen as an additional subject if you have the correct subject combination

Specialist Groupings

- 1 Construction Studies; Engineering; Design and Communication Graphics; Technology - **Any Two**
- 2 Physics **and** Construction Studies **or** Engineering **or** Technology **or** Design & Communication Graphics
- 3 Agricultural Science **and** Construction Studies **or** Engineering **or** Technology **or** Design & Communication Graphics
- 4 Agricultural Science **and** Chemistry **or** Physics **or** Physics/Chemistry
- 5 Home Economics; Agricultural Science; Biology - **Any Two**
- 6 Home Economics **and** Art - Design Option **or** Craft Option
- 7 Accounting; Business; Economics - **Any two**
- 8 Physics **and** Chemistry
- 9 Biology **and** Chemistry **or** Physics **or** Physics/Chemistry
- 10 Biology **and** Agricultural Science
- 11 Art - Design Option or Craft Option **and** Design & Communication Graphics

Services Groupings

- 12 Engineering **or** Technology **or** Construction Studies **or** Design & Communication Graphics **and** Accounting **or** Business **or** Economics
- 13 Home Economics **and** Accounting **or** Business **or** Economics
- 14 Agricultural Science **and** Accounting **or** Business **or** Economics
- 15 Art Design or Craftwork Option **and** Accounting **or** Business **or** Economics
- 16 Music **and** Accounting **or** Business **or** Economics

Making a Wise Choice

- ▶ What subject am I most interested in?
- ▶ What subject am I likely to be best at?
- ▶ What subjects will I need?
- ▶ Balanced choice of subjects

How to Choose

- **Know what you want to do** - Research and choose accordingly
- **No idea what you want to do-** Include a Science and a Third Language
- **Talk** to teachers, family, friends
- **Friends Subjects-** *Avoid* choosing a subject just because your friend is doing it

Three Hurdles to Third Level Education Entry

- ▶ General College Entry Requirements
- ▶ Subject Requirements
- ▶ Points

1. College Requirements

- College Requirements

- 5 passes (5 O6/H7) in Leaving Certificate including Maths and English for Level 6 courses

- 6 subjects (2 H5 and 4 O6/H7) or 3 H5 and 3 O6/H7 for most Level 8 Honours. Degrees

- ▶ These requirements can be found in the relevant college brochures & on Qualifax

2. Course Requirements

- ▶ A modern European Language is required for entry to a number of college courses.
- ▶ Some courses have subject requirements e.g. H4 in Maths for engineering, Science subject for Nursing

COLLEGES REQUIRING MODERN LANGUAGE

- N.U.I. Colleges and NUI Recognised Colleges Only
 - **Not every course**
- University College Dublin
- University College Cork
- National University of Ireland, Galway
- Maynooth University
- Royal College of Surgeons
- National College of Art and Design
- Shannon College of Hotel Management
- St Angela's College, Sligo
- Modern Language required for **Cadets** in Army

Colleges not requiring a Modern Language

- *T.C.D.*
- *D.C.U.*
- *TU Dublin*
- *Primary School Teacher Training Colleges.*
- *U.L.*

All Institutes of Technologies

- *E.G. W.I.T.*

Modern Language is Required for:

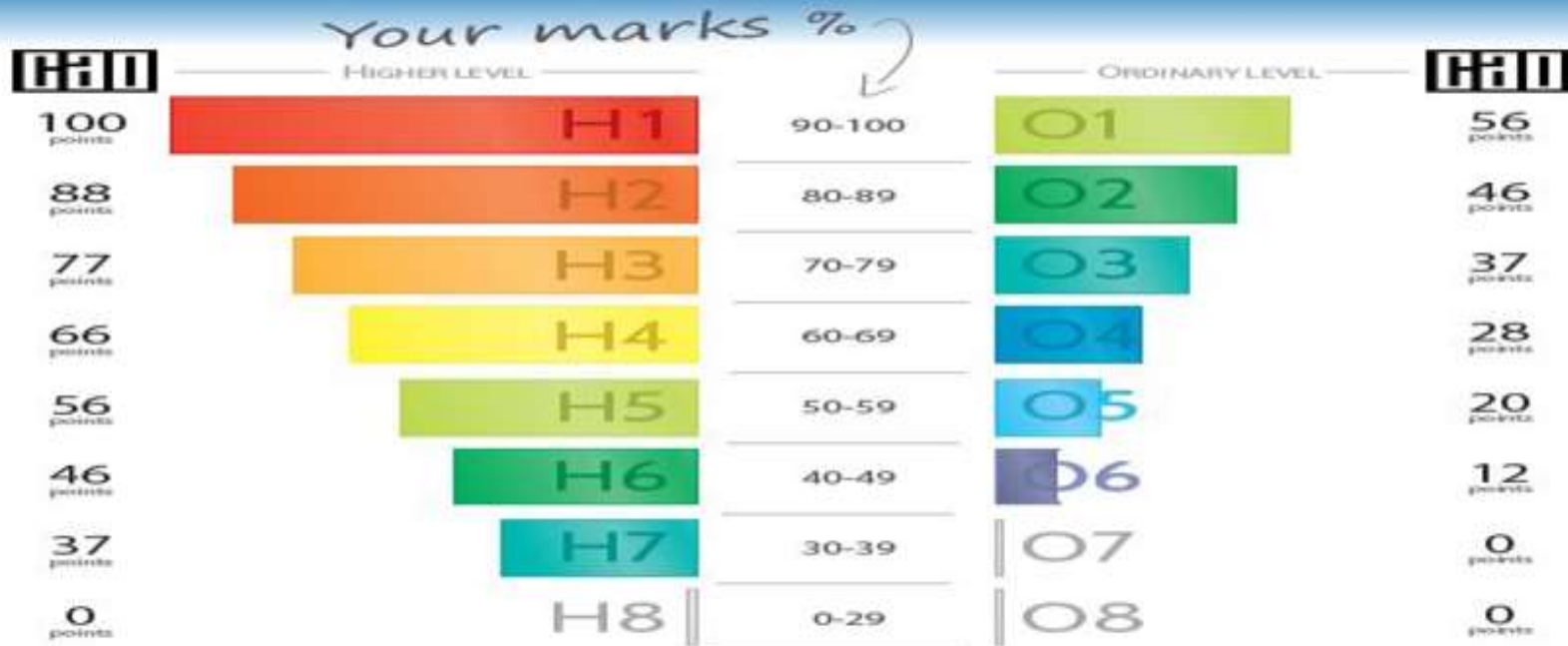
- Architecture (UCD only), Arts, Business, Human Sciences, Law, Social Science and Veterinary Medicine in the **NUI Colleges**
- Officer Cadet in the Army/ An Garda Siochana(if exempt from Irish)
- Any course which has a language component

Science Requirements

- If you are considering Human Sciences (e.g. Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Physiotherapy, Optician, Dietician), Science, Engineering or Veterinary Medicine you *should select at least one laboratory science subject - two for some courses.*
- Make sure you check for specific grade requirements.

3. New Points System

- ▶ Entry to 3rd Level is dependent on CAO Points.
- ▶ Points are calculated by adding the total sum of the students Six Best Subjects, in one sitting of the LC.



+25 points Bonus Points for H1-H6 Maths



CAO Points Calculators

FREE!

Use online or get the App!



If they like all subjects and are uncertain about which course to pursue keep options open by choosing:

- A Science
- A Modern Language (French)

Research – Useful Websites

Qualifax™

Qualifax – www.qualifax.ie
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There is a total of 184 courses that match your search requirements. Please select one of the options below to view your results.

Show me the courses that:

- Definitely requires: Any Third Language- Total of 172 courses
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- Does not require Any Third Language - Total of 1375 courses

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Research

Entry requirements for Third Level courses vary from course to course so you **must refer to the relevant literature** or information given on the websites.

Our advice to you as Parents before your child chooses their subjects

- ▶ Ensure your child has done enough research
- ▶ Make sure they know what is involved in each subject - by speaking to teachers, getting books off students and looking at past papers
- ▶ Ensure they realise the cost of not doing a subject
- ▶ Make sure they are not closing off career options after school
- ▶ Ensure they pick subjects that suit their strengths & abilities

Any Questions

