DCU CAO Alert List

New Programme – Entry 2027

NEW - DC019 Post Primary Teacher Education - Construction Technology and Technology

This 4-year post-primary teacher education degree will be delivered through an innovative partnership between Dublin City University (DCU) and Technological University of the Shannon (TUS). Years 1 and 2 of study are at the TUS Athlone campus, and Years 3 and 4 at the DCU Institute of Education, in Dublin. This post-primary teacher education course is a 'concurrent' teacher education course - meaning that the academic and professional formation of the teacher is integrated in the 4 years. The course is fully recognised by the Teaching Council, and graduates will be qualified to teach Construction Technology and Technology subjects in post-primary schools. The minimum requirements are: General entry requirements, plus an O3/H7 in Mathematics. This programme also has an FET route, for further information, please visit the DC019 webpage.

BA in Accounting and Law (new for September 2027) - Pending Accreditation

DCU is launching a new four-year BA in Accounting and Law, delivered jointly by DCU Business School and the DCU School of Law and Government. It will be the first Accounting and Law degree in Dublin. The degree will open career options such as accountancy and law firms, tax advisory, forensic accounting, compliance and governance, and public service roles in organisations such as Revenue or the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General. *Approval:* Pending accreditation - it is hoped that the programme will be approved in Spring 2027 for entry to DCU in September 2027.

Course Title Change

The title of DC001 Bachelor of Early Childhood Education has changed to DC001 Bachelor of Education in Early Childhood in 2026. The title is incorrect in the CAO Handbook (page 64, but is correct in the DCU prospectus and CAO course listing on CAO).

Entry Requirement Updates 2027

DC110 Business Studies International

The general entry and course requirements for entry 2027 have not changed. In addition to the general entry requirements, applicants must have a minimum of O4 or H6 in Mathematics and minimum of H4 in a language other than English or Irish. Students choose a language option upon entry into the course, French or German or Spanish (Intermediate Level) or Chinese or Japanese (Beginners Level). **Students who choose French/German or Spanish must have a minimum of H4 in the language they wish to study.** Students who wish to study Chinese or Japanese will take the language at beginners' level. All applicants must meet the H4 language requirement in a language other than English or Irish.

DC206 Physical Education with Mathematics - reminder
The entry requirements for this programme include acceptance of the leaving certificate subject **Physical Education**. In addition to the general entry requirements for admission to the university, the following entry requirements apply. Minimum of O1 or H6 in Mathematics and minimum of O4 or H6 in one of Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Physics with Chemistry, Agricultural Science or Physical Education.The leaving certificate subject, physical education, is not accepted by other Science programmes. For further information, please contact admissions.

Important Application Information for 2027

Qualifications taken in a country outside the EU

Please apply directly to DCU.

For further information please visit our International Admissions webpage.

Qualifications taken in a country within the EU

Please apply through CAO.

Submission of EU Qualification Results (Outside UK & Ireland). DCU applicants presenting school examination results from within the EU, but from outside the UK/Ireland, must submit certified copies of final examination results and English translation of all documentation to the CAO. For applicants with results from previous years, this information must be uploaded to CAO within 10 days of submitting their CAO application. For those taking exams in this current year, these results must be submitted to CAO a minimum of 12 days before the relevant offer round. In the case of Round 1, this should be no later than 1st August. This is to allow adequate time for assessment and processing. Any results received after 1st August may be considered for later rounds, subject to availability of places. This is a DCU requirement.

QQI FET Routes for DCU Entry 2027

DCU has QQI FET routes to 93% of DCU courses.

All DCU QQI FET entry requirements are published on the CAO website and can be found here. Just enter the DC code and the minimum entry requirements will be displayed. Please note that for each course, applicants must present the required

award and required grades in each component award (module) as published on the CAO website.

Essential major awards	Essential component awards

Applicants should verify with their FET provider that the “Essential Major Award” they are taking provides any required “Essential Component Awards” (modules) required for their courses of interest. Applicants who meet this eligibility requirement may then compete for a quota of places on each course.

QQI FET minimum entry requirement change - reminder

The QQI FET minimum requirements for DCU Nursing Programmes DC215, DC216, DC217 and DC218 changed in 2026. The requirements are: Minimum of 5 distinctions required which must include: D20001 or 5N0749 Anatomy and Physiology and 5N4325 Nursing Theory and Practice or 5N0578 Care Support.

DC208 Psychology and DC210 Psychology and Disruptive Technology – These courses will be accepting award 5M2181 Applied Social Studies for entry 2026, provided all essential components are presented to meet published requirements.

For further information about DCU QQI FET admission routes, please visit DCU Admissions.

Open Days

For information about open days or school visits, please contact the DCU Student Recruitment team on studentrecruitment@dcu.ie.

Undergraduate Open Days

NOV 2026 13-14	November Open Day
DEC 2026 1	QQI FET Open Day
JAN 2027 14	CAO Information Evening (Virtual)
FEB 2027 TBC	Parent's Information Evening
APR 2027 TBC	Spring Open Day
MAY 2027 TBC	TY Open Day
JUNE 2027 23	Change of Mind Open Day

Contact DCU

Application or Admissions Queries

W https://www.dcu.ie/registry/undergraduate-application-procedures-registry

Email: ugadmissions@dcu.ie

School Visits or Campus Tours

W https://www.dcu.ie/studentrecruitment/student-recruitment-office-school-visits

Open Day Information

W https://www.dcu.ie/studentrecruitment/dcu-open-days

DCU CAO Hub – Information for students, parents, guidance counsellors

W https://www.dcu.ie/cao