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Alert List 2026

The following outlines changes and important updates for students commencing their studies in September 2026.

New programmes

LM031 Bachelor of Arts Professional Pathways

This course is planned to commence in September 2026.

This is an innovative new programme which aims to focus arts, humanities and social science subjects into four professionally focused pathways –

Public Affairs

Social, Economic and Physical Planning

Communication and Digital Translation

Social, Economic and Environmental Change

Having chosen one of these paths, students also take transferrable skills modules which were created based on feedback from employers who want humanities graduates with these additional skills including digital skills, communication, critical thinking and problem-solving. Employability is core to the structure of this programme; it includes an 8-month work placement and graduates will be likely to find careers in areas such as the civil service, public relations, planning, economic analysis, sustainability and community development.

At the time of an offer, an applicant is required to hold the Leaving Certificate (or equivalent), with a minimum of six subjects including:

Grade H5 or better in at least two subjects and Grade O6/H7 or better in at least four subjects together with a minimum of F6 in Mathematics, O6/H7 in English and O6/H7 in another recognised language.

Students wishing to take a language option must present a H4 in their chosen language except for beginner Spanish, beginner German or Beginners Japanese where a H4 in a language other than English is required.

LM032 LLB Law and Cyber Security

The LLB in Law and Cyber Security offers a unique combination of skills and knowledge that is increasingly important in today's technology-driven world. As businesses and individuals increasingly operate in a digital environment, the need for legal professionals who understand the complexities of cyber security becomes essential. Cyber security is a growing concern for governments, corporations, and individuals. Data breaches, cyberattacks, and online fraud are rampant, and organisations need to comply with evolving laws and regulations to protect sensitive information.

At the time of an offer, an applicant is required to hold the Leaving Certificate (or equivalent), with a minimum of six subjects including:

Grade H5 or better in at least two subjects and Grade O6 /H7 or better in at least four subjects together with a minimum of O2/H6 in Mathematics, O6/H7 in English, and O6/H7 in another recognised language.

LM106 Speech and Language Therapy

The Bachelor of Science in Speech and Language Therapy is a four-year degree programme which includes a minimum of 450 hours of practice education placement completed at various sites, including hospitals, primary care services, disability services, schools and rehabilitation settings.

At the time of an offer, an applicant is required to hold the Leaving Certificate (or equivalent, with a minimum of six subjects including:

Grade H5 or better in at least two subjects and Grade O6 /H7 or better in at least four subjects together with a minimum of F6 in Mathematics, O6/H7 in English, and O6/H7 in another recognised language. An

applicant must also have an O4/H5 in one of the following: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Physics and Chemistry, Applied Mathematics, Computer Science, and Agricultural Science.

Applicants must also ensure that they meet course-specific entry requirements.

Please note grade levels are as follows:

H is Higher Level, O is Ordinary Level and F is Foundation Level.

Applicants who don't successfully complete Garda vetting cannot continue on the course.

LM301 BMBS Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery Undergraduate Entry

Innovative and integrated curriculum offers you the opportunity to complete undergraduate medical training in six years in an environment specifically designed to ensure you become an outstanding clinical practitioner with excellent practical skills coupled with a strong grounding in the underlying sciences.

Stage 1 provides a foundation in biomedical science while simultaneously introducing students to the concepts of good patient care.

Stage 2 integrates science, anatomy and clinical practice. The course is centred around problem/case-based learning and provides students with an early exposure to patient care.

Stage 3 combines the pursuit of knowledge with daily patient care and includes an 18-week GP placement as well as clinical placements in a number of hospital specialities.

Minimum Entry Requirements

At the time of an offer, an applicant is required to hold the Leaving Certificate (or equivalent), with a minimum of six subjects including: Grade H5 or better in at least two subjects and Grade O6 /H7 or better in at least four subjects together with a minimum of F6 in Mathematics, O6/H7 in English, and O6/H7 in another recognised language.

Applicants must also ensure that they meet course-specific entry requirements.

Course Specific Entry Requirements

Applicants must present O6/H7 in one of the following science subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Physics/Chemistry or Agricultural Science

CAO applicants must complete the Health Professions Admission Test (HPAT) in the year of admission to the medicine course.

Points

The minimum points are 480 points from the same sitting of the Leaving Certificate Examination or equivalent.

Points scores above 550 will be moderated.

Applicants must achieve both the required subjects and the points in the same sitting.

[Medicine \(Undergraduate Entry – HPAT required\) | University of Limerick](#)

LM175 BSc MSc Immersive Bioscience and Biotherapeutics

At iBio (Immersive Bioscience and Biotherapeutics), we are committed to cultivating the leading scientific minds of the future. So, if you are interested in making a difference to the lives and

health of others by exploring innovative solutions to complex challenges in health, disease and medicine-making, then iBio is the course for you.

If you are passionate about the science of disease and medicines, creative and curious about the world around you, love a challenge and working in teams using scientific data to solve complex problems.

Applicants are required to hold at the time of enrolment the established Leaving Certificate (or an approved equivalent) with a minimum of six subjects which must include: Two H5 (Higher Level) grades and Four O6 (Ordinary Level) grades or four H7 (Higher Level) grades. Subjects must include Mathematics, Irish or another language, and English.

In addition, a minimum of H4 (Higher Level) in Biology required and a minimum of H5 (Higher Level) in two of the following specific subjects: Chemistry, Physics, Physics and Chemistry, Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Engineering, or Computer Science

Changes to Existing Programmes

Notified in 2024 - LM027 Bachelor of Laws in Common and Civil Law Entry requirement 2026 change

Students will spend their first two years at University of Limerick and their second two at the partner institution, Université de Franche Comté in France. Graduates will be awarded degrees in both common law and civil law meaning they will be well-equipped to work in the legal environments in Ireland and abroad.

As announced in 2024 - due to the course structure, the French language grade requirement is changing for entry in 2026. Students will be required to attain at least a H3 in French.

At the time of an offer, an applicant is required to hold the Leaving Certificate (or equivalent), with a minimum of six subjects including:

Grade H5 or better in at least two subjects and Grade O6/H7 or better in at least four subjects together with a minimum of F6 in Mathematics, O6/H7 in English, and O6/H7 in another recognised language.

Applicants must also ensure that they meet course-specific entry requirements. H3 in French is required for this course.

Please note grade levels are as follows:

H is Higher Level, O is Ordinary Level and F is Foundation Level.

Notified in 2024 - LM099 B Arch Architecture

Reintroducing portfolio for 2026 entry. Further information can be seen on the website. One portfolio will be accepted for both LM076 and LM099.

Additional Beginner Language Option

French will be offered at beginner level for LM002 Arts, LM040 BA European Studies, LM044 BA Applied Languages, LM133 Bachelor of Arts in Contemporary Dance and LM134 Bachelor of Arts in Voice.

LM135 - Bachelor of Arts in Music

The BA Music is a globally conceived contemporary performance-based music programme. The BA Music welcomes students with or without previous formal music education from all musical backgrounds including early music, western classical, pop, rock, metal, hip-hop, experimental music, jazz, folk,

traditional musics, electronica, or others. The aim of the programme is to enable students to navigate their own path as artists in the contemporary global creative sector.

Changes to Nursing Programmes in 2027

NMBI are introducing new standards which will be implemented in 2027. The programme structures will change. The entry requirements will not change and the names of the courses and LM codes LM150, LM152, LM154 and LM156 will not change.

LM301 BMBS Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery Undergraduate Entry

Changes to CAO entry to undergraduate medicine programmes in 2027:

Irish Universities with Medical Schools are modifying the calculation of points applied for admission through the Central Applications office (CAO) to all Undergraduate (Direct Entry from School) Medicine programmes in Ireland. This change will come into effect for students seeking admission to undergraduate medicine degree programmes from August / September 2027.

The changes are as follows –

- Leaving Certificate scores above 550 points will no longer be moderated – full points scored by candidates will be applied in the calculation.
- Points scored in the HPAT assessment will be weighted to 150 maximum.

Please Note: HPAT results from a sitting in the year of admission to a medicine programme will continue to be a requirement.

There are FAQ's on the IUA website <https://www.iua.ie/for-students/entry-to-medicine/>

Recognition of Climate Action and Sustainable Development

Faculty of Science and Engineering reviewed the curriculum for Climate Action and Sustainable Development and whether it met the science subject requirements as a course specific entry requirement across its suite of programmes. The following courses will accept Climate Action and Sustainable Development along with all existing subject requirements from September 2026 subject to Academic Council approval.

LM063	BSTEMAUFA	Technology Management
LM076	BSPDTEUFA	Product Design and Technology
LM082	BSCMENUFA	Construction Management and Engineering
LM173	BSISENUFA	Immersive Software Engineering
LM174	BSAIMLUFA	Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

Additional Entry Requirements

UL have courses requiring additional elements to be reviewed and passed to meet course entry requirements. Applicants are contacted to submit the required portfolio/licence/statements or attend for audition after each of the Application Deadlines. The communication received outlines the proposed submission deadlines.

Application Deadline	Submission Email Issued	Deadline for Submission
1 February	12 March	26 March
1 May	11 May	25 May
1 July	6 July	16 July*

LM076 BSc Product Design & Technology

A portfolio is required for entry. Further information can be seen on [the website](#).

LM099 B Arch Architecture

Reintroducing portfolio for 2026 entry. Further information can be seen on the website. One portfolio will be accepted for both LM076 and LM099. [Bachelor of Architecture | University of Limerick](#)

LM103 BSc Paramedic Studies

Applicants must provide evidence of a Valid Full Clean B and either a Provisional C1 or Full Clean C1 Licence, prior to offer of a place on the course. **Deadline for submission is the 31st July*.**

Applicants must produce a Valid Full Clean C1 Licence by the end of Year 1 of the course.

LM173 Bachelor of Science in Immersive Software Engineering

Applicants are required to submit a portfolio of creative work, and a written statement, and may be called for an interview.

Further information can be found on our website – [Bachelor/Master of Science in Immersive Software Engineering | University of Limerick \(ul.ie\)](#)

LM175 BSc MSc Immersive Bioscience and Biotherapeutics

Applicants are required to submit a portfolio of creative work, and a written statement, and may be called for an interview.

Further information can be found on our website – [Bachelor/Master of Science in Immersive Bioscience and Biotherapeutics | University of Limerick](#)

Auditions

Audition is required for entry to the courses in the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance. Further information can be found on our websites linked in each course name.

LM131 - [Bachelor of Arts in Irish](#)

LM132 - [Bachelor of Arts in Irish Dance](#)

LM133 - [Bachelor of Arts in Contemporary Dance](#)

LM134 - [Bachelor of Arts in Voice](#)

LM135 - [Bachelor of Arts in Music](#)

Application Deadline	Audition Type	Date
1 February	Online video submissions deadline	10 April
1 February	Online submissions interviews	1 - 15 April
1 February	Auditions held Face to Face Option	11 & 12 April

1 May	Auditions held	8th -12th June
1 May	Auditions held online (video submissions)	12th June (videos uploaded by this date)
1 July	Auditions held	Monday 20th July - Friday 24th July
1 July	Auditions held online	28th July (videos to be uploaded by this date)

Alternative Entry Requirements

QQI FE Pathways

A review is taking place of the existing QQI FE Pathways. All current pathways are included in the CAO Guidance Booklet. The Pathways are being updated however for many of UL's courses. The most up to date pathways will be listed on the CAO website.

[Guidance Counsellor Kit | University of Limerick \(ul.ie\)](#)

Alternative Assessments

Special Mathematics Examination: Faculty of Science & Engineering

The Faculty of Science & Engineering run a Special Mathematics Examination, which can be used as an alternative to Higher Level Leaving Certificate Mathematics for entry to Undergraduate Programmes in the Faculty. The examination is based on the Higher-Level Mathematics syllabus. Candidates taking the examination must achieve the equivalent of the Leaving Certificate grade required for entry to the programmes to which they are applying.

Please note the following:

- Applicants must have satisfied all other entry requirements for the programmes to which they are applying.
- Applicants must also have achieved the points required for entry to the programme.
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- Applicants who achieve the required result in the Special Mathematics Examination and satisfy all other entry requirements and achieve the required points for the programme will be considered for an offer in Round 2 as part of the CAO offers allocation process.
- The Special Mathematics Examination is not available at Ordinary Level.
- The Special Mathematics Examination can only be used to satisfy the mathematics requirement for programmes offered by the Faculty of Science & Engineering.

Further details on the examination, including the application process and previous exam papers, are available from the Faculty website [here](#)

Additional Courses accepting the Special Maths Exam to meet matriculation requirements:
LM092, LM094, LM095, LM096 and LM097

NEW for 2026 Entry

Special Language Examination for LM040 and LM044:

The Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences are piloting a Special Languages Examination, which can be used to give applicants another opportunity to meet the H3 language requirement for LM040 BA European Studies and LM044 BA Applied Languages.

Languages Offered: French, Gaeilge, German, Spanish and Japanese.

- Applicants apply directly to UL to sit this in-person exam, which includes written and oral elements.
- They must have met all entry requirements other than achieving a H3 in a language.
- Date TBD. The examination will take place after the release of the Leaving Certificate results and before the issue of round two CAO offers
- Successful candidates will receive an offer in Round Two.

Further information will be available on the course pages in the coming weeks.

Open Days

Events for undergraduate students are provided on our website [CAO Events | University of Limerick \(ul.ie\)](#)

Proposed Open Day Dates for future years.

Year	Spring	Autumn
2026	17 January	15 & 16 October
2027	16 January	14 & 15 October
2028	15 January	19 & 20 October

School Engagement

The team are available to attend career fairs and school talks in person and are also available to virtually connect with your schools. You can contact us on the Academic registry website.

<https://www.ul.ie/academic-registry/about/contact-us>

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