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2027

Updates to Cork School of Music Entrance Exams

BA (Hons) Popular Music (MT931-935)

This is a Restricted Access Course, and applicants are assessed through a combination of video submissions, a live audition and a written paper (overseas applicants are encouraged to attend in person).

Each applicant is awarded up to a maximum of 600 points. Applicants must achieve a minimum overall score of 300 points to be eligible for consideration. Additionally, candidates must also achieve at least 40% in the written paper in order to be considered eligible.

Applicants who meet these minimum requirements are then ranked according to their overall Entrance Test score, and places are offered on the basis of this ranking. Leaving Certificate points are not used for ranking purposes.
Applicants are not permitted to defer the results of the Entrance Test.

BA (Hons) Theatre and Drama Studies (MT939)

This is a Restricted Access Course, and applicants are assessed through a live audition (overseas applicants are encouraged to attend in-person).

The Entrance Test is marked out of 600 points and consists of:
Workshop: 300 points
Individual Audition and Interview: 300 points
Applicants must achieve a minimum score of 300 points out of 600 to be eligible for consideration.

Applicants who achieve the minimum eligibility threshold are then ranked according to their overall Entrance Test score, and places are offered on the basis of this ranking. Leaving Certificate points are not used for ranking purposes.
Applicants are not permitted to defer the results of the Entrance Test.

BA (Hons) Musical Theatre (MT938)

This is a Restricted Access Course, and applicants are assessed through a combination of video submissions & a live audition (overseas applicants are encouraged to attend in-person).

The Entrance Test is marked out of 600 points and consists of:
Acting: 200 points
Singing: 200 points
Dance: 200 points
Applicants must achieve a minimum overall score of 300 points out of 600 to be eligible for consideration.

In addition, candidates must achieve a minimum score of 40% in each of the three disciplines (Acting, Singing and Dance). Candidates who do not achieve the minimum 40% threshold in any one discipline will not be considered eligible for entry, regardless of their overall score.

Applicants who meet these minimum requirements are then ranked according to their overall Entrance Test score, and places are offered on the basis of this ranking. Leaving Certificate points are not used for ranking purposes.

Applicants are not permitted to defer the results of the Entrance Test.

Change to Entry Requirements for Kerry Programmes

MT711 Animation and Visual Storytelling · Kerry
This programme no longer requires a portfilio for entry and is not a restricted programme.

MT811 Animation and Visual Storytelling · Kerry
This programme no longer requires a portfilio for entry and is not a restricted programme.

New Programmes for Kerry Campus

MT815 Digital Health and Informatics for Health Care – Level 8 – Kerry Campus

This programme was in the CAO handbook 2026, but did not run, and has now been relaunched.

Digital health technologies include mobile apps, wearable devices and platforms that provide remote healthcare (telehealth), software to help track symptoms, online tools to diagnose conditions, and programmes that analyse data from medical devices.

The BSc (Honours) in Digital Health and Informatics for Healthcare aims to meet the growing demand for a specialised workforce in the digital health technologies. It is a four-year level 8 programme, three years on campus followed by one year on work placement. It is a combined degree in science and computing and multidisciplinary involving three pillars in the following areas: Bioscience, Health Studies and Data Science. The former two pillars underpinning the latter, providing graduates who understand the medical and human sciences as well as the advanced technical knowledge and skills.

There is an interdisciplinary delivery approach for the programme with students on the course taking modules with students from related programmes across MTU Departments, reflecting multi-professional teams in healthcare settings.

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MT553 BA in Culinary Leadership & Management | Munster Technological University - MTU

This programme was in the CAO handbook 2026, but did not run, and has now been relaunched.

The BA in Culinary Leadership & Management is an innovative and future-focused programme designed to equip students with the creative, technical, and managerial skills necessary to thrive in the evolving culinary industry.

With a strong emphasis on creativity, sustainability, culture, and the chef of the future, this programme prepares graduates to lead and innovate in a dynamic global food landscape. The BA in Culinary Leadership & Management degree is perfect for those who are seeking a career in the culinary domain, whether for a local restaurant, an international hotel brand, or for a range of other culinary offerings, such as contract catering, retail outlets, etc.

The integrated approach in programme design will equip students with the skills, scientific and practical, business knowledge, and sector-specific acumen to enter the leading-edge culinary sector in Ireland or abroad. Along with essential practical and technical skills in culinary, nutrition, food science, sustainability and business realms, students will also learn invaluable soft skills such as communication, teamwork, creativity, operations management, and leadership.

The modules in the programme are assessed diversely to allow learners to demonstrate their capabilities, including practical application, through real-world projects, team challenges, portfolios, and research. Learning throughout will be supported by an expert lecturing team who will provide focused and frequent feedback. As students progress through the programme, they will develop practical skills through application, along with a rich understanding of critical issues such as sustainability, entrepreneurial skills, business planning and management, capping the programme of study with a specialism, in either pastry or culinary.

Please note: Students specialise in either pastry or culinary in Year 3 of this programme.

MT712 - Bachelor of Arts Film, Broadcast & Online Media (Level 7)

MT812 - Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Film, Broadcast & Online Media (Level 8)

These programmes were run in previous years and has now been relaunched for 2027

The BA (Hons) in Film, Broadcast & Online Media at Munster Technological University offers students an opportunity to develop their creative, technical and storytelling skills across film, broadcasting and digital media.

Through a studio-based learning approach, students gain practical experience in developing ideas, creating original content and bringing productions from concept to screen. With an emphasis on hands-on learning, industry-relevant skills and creative exploration, this programme encourages students to work together on projects that reflect professional media production environments. Students develop the specialist knowledge and independent thinking needed to thrive in the rapidly evolving film, broadcast and online media industries. The programmes aims at preparing students for a diverse range of creative careers.

Name Changes to MTU Programmes

MT844 has had a name change to Intelligent Systems Engineering

MT822 has a name change to Photography and Media Production

Programmes Removed for 2027

MT848 - Agricultural Engineering
MT748 - Agricultural Engineering
MT770 - Physical Sciences (Common Entry) Level-7
MT772 - Bachelor of Science Pharmaceutical Science
MT878 - Bachelor of Science (Hons) Environmental Science & Sustainable Technology
M7872 - Bachelor of Science (Hons) Pharmaceutical Sciences

Open Days

- MTU Bishopstown Campus Friday 13th Nov 2026: 10am - 2pm
- MTU Crawford College of Art & Design (CCAD) Sharman Crawford Street Campus Friday 13th Nov 2026: 10am - 2pm & Saturday 14th Nov 2026: 10am - 2pm
- Cork School of Music Open Day – Saturday November 14th
- National Maritime College of Ireland Open Day – 21st January 2027
- MTU Kerry Campus Saturday 13th March 2027 10am - 1pm North Campus Tralee

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