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CAO Press Release – Under Embargo until 6am on Thursday August 27

3126 Round Two CAO offers issued

The Central Applications Office (CAO) has today (Thursday August 27) issued 3,126 offers to applicants in Round Two of the CAO offers process.

A total of 1,545 Level 8 offers, and 1,581 Level 7/6 offers, were made to 2,901 CAO applicants in this round.

Of the recipients of Level 8 offers, 766 received an offer of their first preference course; for Level 7/6 offer recipients a total of 1,153 applicants' first preference offers were received.

Applicants receiving an offer in this round will have until Wednesday September 2 at 5:15pm to accept their offer.

General Manager of CAO, Joe O'Grady, advised applicants to carefully consider their options.

He said; "Many of the applicants receiving a second round offer today may have already accepted an offer in Round One, and it is important that they take the time to decide between these courses and inform CAO before the reply date if they wish to accept the new offer.

"We congratulate all of the applicants who are receiving a CAO offer for the first time today and also those who have received a higher preference course in this round" he added.

Applicants can check if they have received a Round Two offer by logging in to their CAO account using the 'My Application' facility - applicants will also receive an offer notification by email and SMS text. Paper offer notices should be with successful applicants by this Friday.

For applicants who have already received an offer in a previous offer round, CAO provide the following advice:

1. Accept the new offer by the 'Reply Date' if you prefer this course to the one that you have already accepted - this action automatically cancels your previous acceptance.
2. If you do not wish to accept the new offer you can simply do nothing and your previous acceptance will still stand.
3. If you wish to defer your current offer you must contact the Admissions Office of the offering institution immediately by email with the text 'Deferred Entry' in the subject line of the email. This email must reach the Admissions Office of the institution a minimum of two days before the 'Reply Date' on the offer notice and you must include your name as it appears on your CAO application, your CAO application number, the course code of the offer you wish to defer, and your reasons for wanting to defer the offer. The Admissions Office will then contact you directly with a decision. If they accept your application for a deferral you do not need to contact CAO; however, if they do not allow you to defer your place you must decide before the 'Reply Date' if you wish to accept the offer or not.

The CAO Available Places facility remains open, with over 200 courses with available places advertised – this facility is free to existing applicants, and to new applications for a fee of €40

For more information about the Offer and Acceptance process or Available Places visit the CAO handbook (also available online) and watch the CAO video guides at www.cao.ie-**Ends-**

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