

Careers Fair Questions

Apprenticeships

- What is an apprenticeship?
- What is a Higher-Level Apprenticeship?
- Are there advantages and disadvantages to following the Apprenticeship or HLA path?
- Where do you find out about the HLAs?
- What distinguishes a HLA delivered through a regional college with one delivered through a private provider such as PWC?
- Will in-house training be provided?
- Is there a career pathway?
- Is there job security with your organisation?

Higher Education

- What is the general reputation of your University? Is the employment rate good?
- What makes your university different? What will make the difference to me as a student?
- Is the University city centre based or outside the city?
- Is there a student's union? Library? Quiet areas?
- Is it a single campus or multi campus university?
- What support is there on offer when you get there?
- I really want to study ____ but I'm not too good at coursework/long exams, what do you recommend?
- Are there many people from Northern Ireland studying at your university?
- Are there any airlines that fly there daily?
- I get a repeat prescription – are there any nearby health centres?
- Is there much student guidance for first years studying away from home?
- How much will I have to pay for fees to a university in Scotland/England/ Republic of Ireland?

Applying

- What are the entrance requirements and if I miss a grade will I still get in?
- Do I need any experience?
- What qualities and skills do you look for when considering applicants?
- Is an interview part of the selection process?
- How do I apply to Dundalk IT, SERC, BMC, and Deloitte?
- What are the major differences about applying to university through UCAS (UK) and CAO (RoI)?

Course Related Questions

- How many hours of lectures per week are provided on my chosen course?
- How many hours should I be doing other study?

- What kind of careers do graduates of this degree go into and what is the average starting salary?
- What kind of facilities are there for the course and is there any plans for development?
- What will I study?
- How flexible is the course? Can this course be combined?
- How is the course taught – through lectures, tutorials, seminars, laboratory work, or via another method?
- How is the course assessed? (Ratio of practical's, exams and coursework)
- Are there study abroad opportunities?

Accommodation

- How much is the accommodation and how do I pay for it? Do I have to pay a deposit before I move in?
- What are the different types of accommodation available?
- What is included in the accommodation? Washing machine/TV/Furniture/Soft furnishing/cooking utensils etc.
- How do I apply for accommodation?
- Are first years guaranteed accommodation?
- Is there certain accommodation for international or mature students?
- Is there specific accommodation for students with a disability?
- How far away is accommodation from the campus, local shops, social activities and public transport?
- What time does public transport operate to?

Campus and Student Life

- What recreational facilities were available on campus?
- What clubs and societies are available?
- Can you tell me about your student services, students' union, clubs, job shop, societies, and sports clubs?
- What support and guidance groups are available to help with
 - Academic questions
 - Pastoral care
- What careers guidance is available?
- What support services are provided e.g. counselling, finance, medical, and for students with additional needs?
- What is public transport like into the main student areas i.e.; airports/docks?
- Are there any sport facilities that students can use and how much are they per term/year?

The Future

- Where are graduates from this course likely to find employment?
- What's the graduate employment rate from this course?
- How can the careers service at your university help me to find a job?