



**Donabate Community College** 

6th Year Information Evening



#### Tonight we will be looking at:

- The Leaving Certificate
- Minding your mental health
- Homework & Study in 6th Year
- Leaving Certificate Points and the NFQ
- DARE and grants
- Pathways after school
- CAO



#### 6th Year Career Guidance Provision:

- Careers classes 7 week rotation
- Higher Options in the RDS & Study Skills Workshop
- College, PLC, Apprenticeship
   & past pupil talks
- 1 on 1 Careers Interviews
- Study Classes



#### Minding your wellbeing in 6th Year

• Don't put your entire life on hold, try to keep a balance between your hobbies and your study

• Talk to your peers, your parents, your teachers

Get organised and stay organised

- don't leave things to the last minute

 There are supports here in school and also from outside agencies, please do reach out

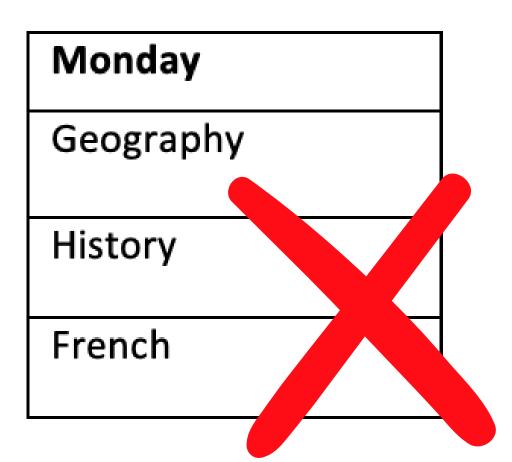
#### Homework and Study in 6th Year

- Around 3 hours every night
- Get in a routine
- Have a study timetable, be specific in your goals!
- Sort out your study space
- Past papers are key
- Study Skills workshop on 10th October
- Apprenticeships talk on 14th November





# Use a study plan -

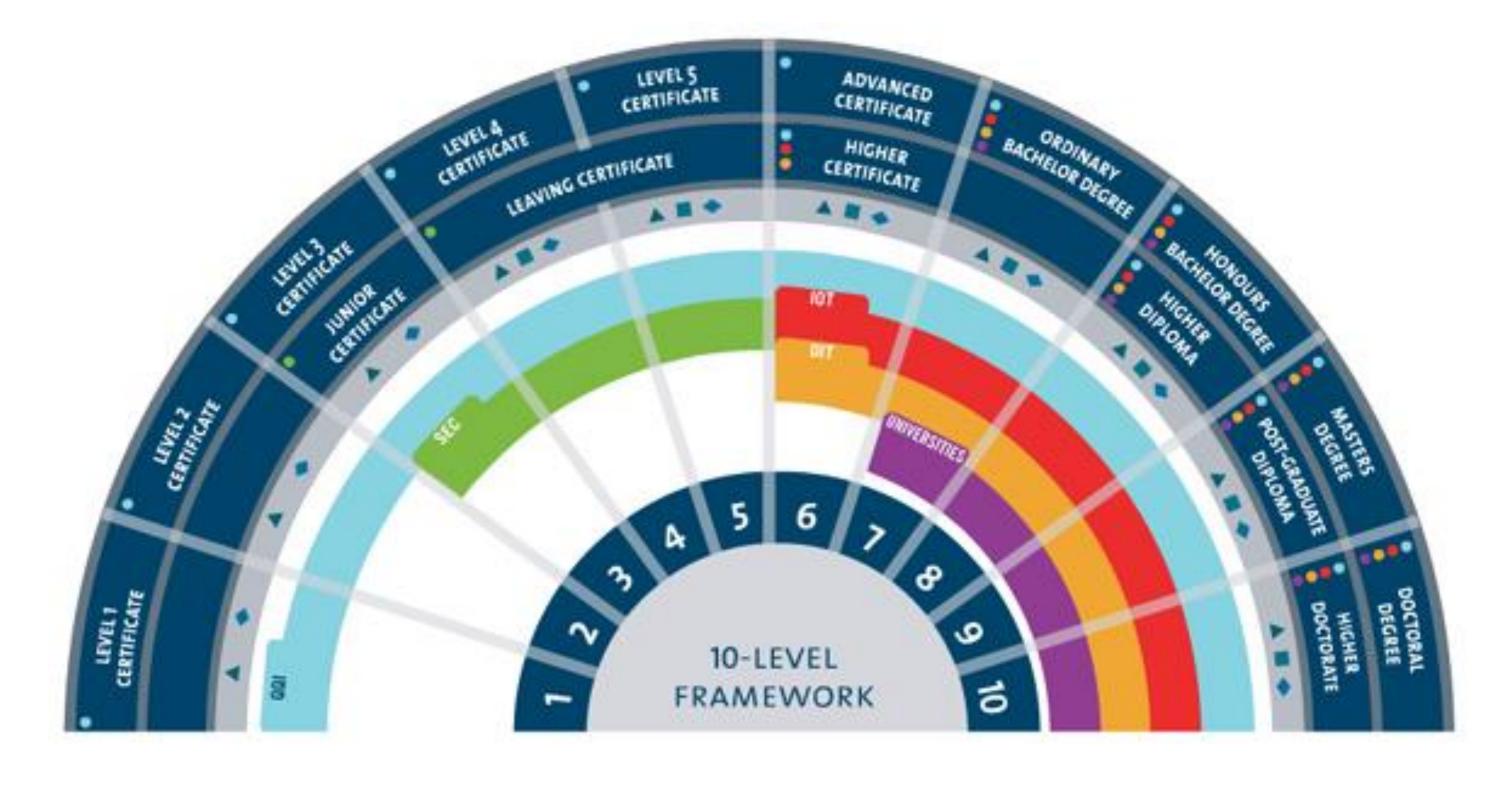


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Subject	Time	Chapter	At the end I will be
			able to
Geography	50 minutes	Pages 34-37	Be able to answer
			end of chapter Qs &
			2019 Past Paper Q 4
History	45 minutes	Chapter 6	Complete 2020
			essay question in
			under 40 minutes
			with the book
French	45 minutes	Page 3	Oral Practice -
			Record myself
			answering the Qs at
			the end of the
			chapter

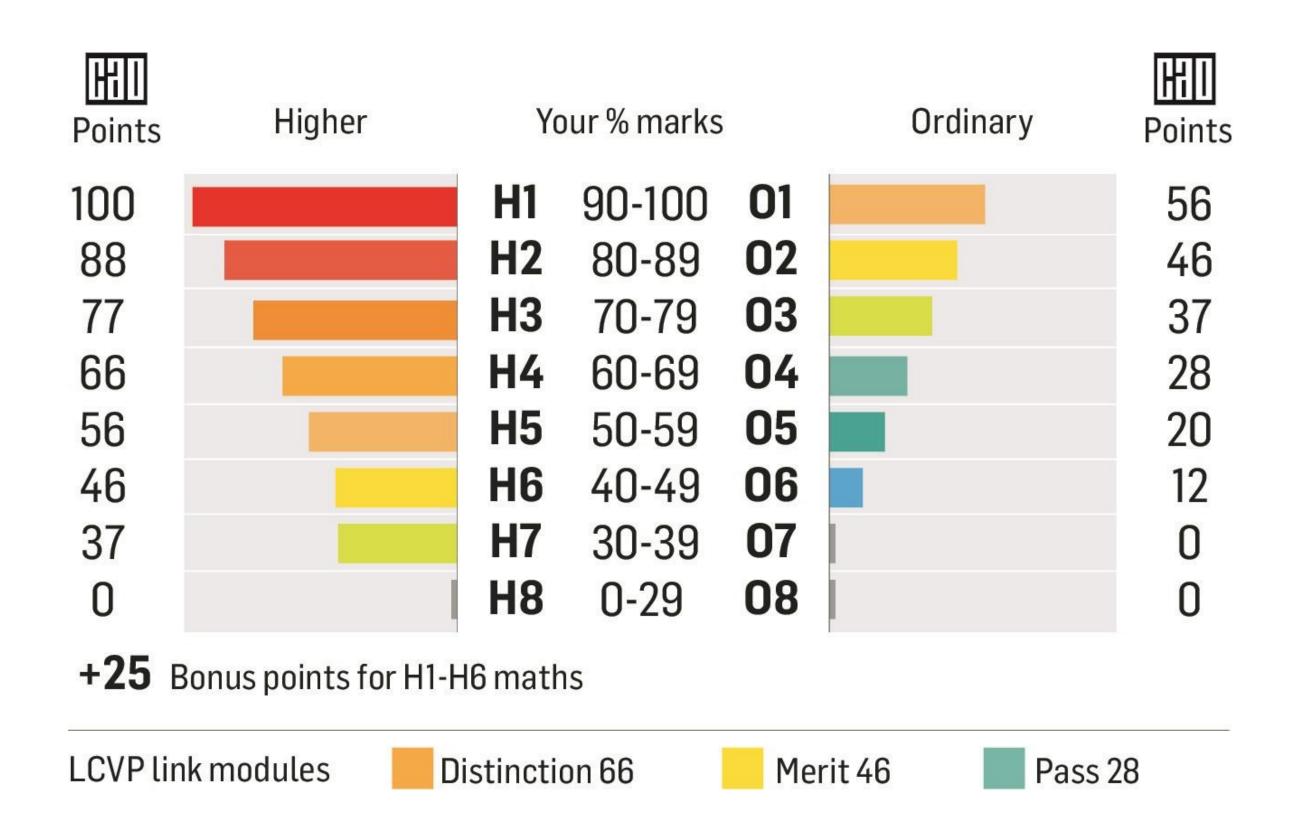


# National Framework of Qualifications

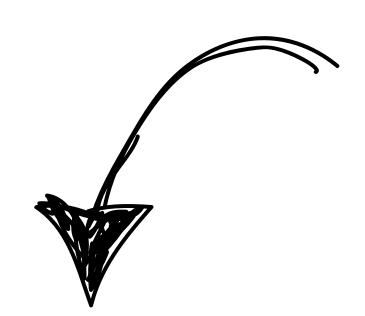




# Leaving Certificate Points







# Options after LC

- PLCs
- Apprenticeships
- College (home or abroad)
- Work
- Gap Year

#### **Access Routes and Grant schemes**

• DARE www.accesscollege.ie

- HEAR
   www.accesscollege.ie
- SUSI www.susi.ie

- Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)/ Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Autistic Spectrum Disorder (including Asperger's Syndrome)
- Blind/ Vision Impaired
- Deaf/ Hearing Impaired
- Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD) –
   Dyspraxia
- Dyscalculia/ Significant Numeracy Difficulties
- Dyslexia/ Significant Literacy Difficulties
- Mental Health Condition
- Neurological Condition (including Brain Injury and Epilepsy)
- Physical Disability
- Significant Ongoing Illness
- Speech and Language Communication Disorder







If you want to go to college in Ireland, you must apply through the Central Applications

Office

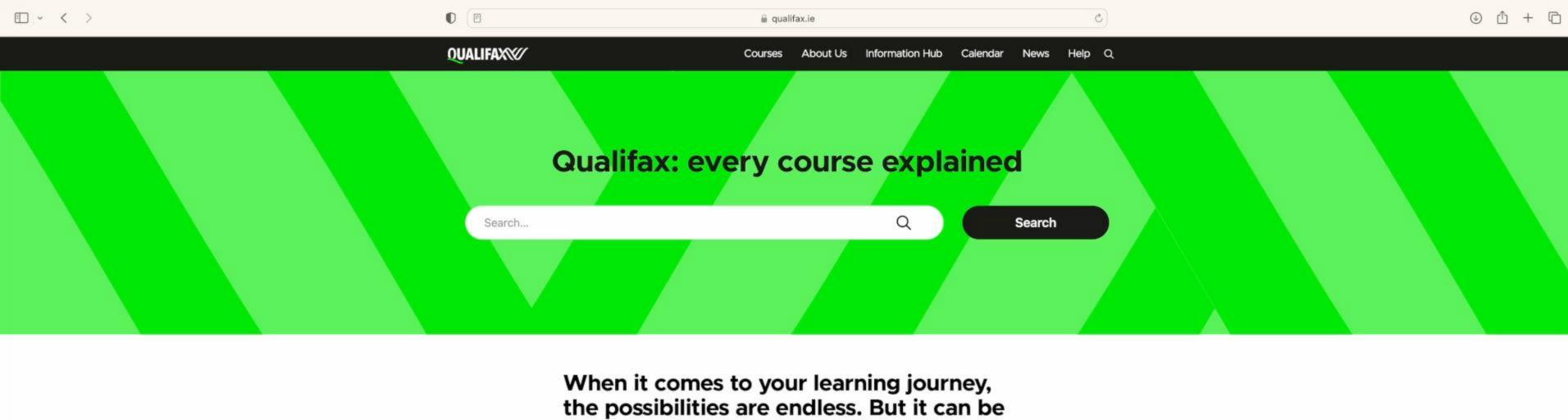
www.cao.ie

It is YOUR Choice
It is YOUR Responsibility
It is YOUR Decision

### Some General Points to note:

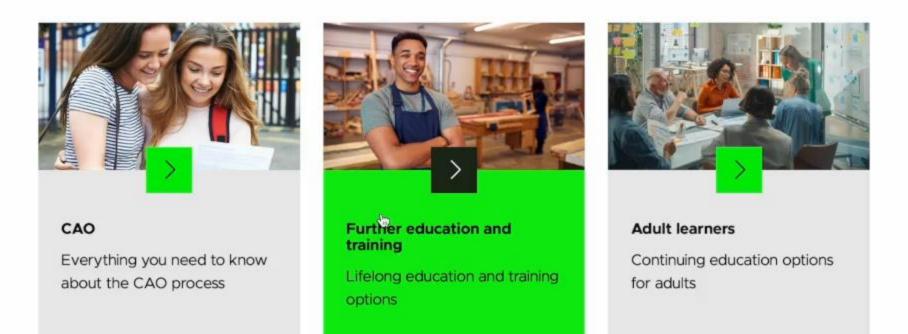


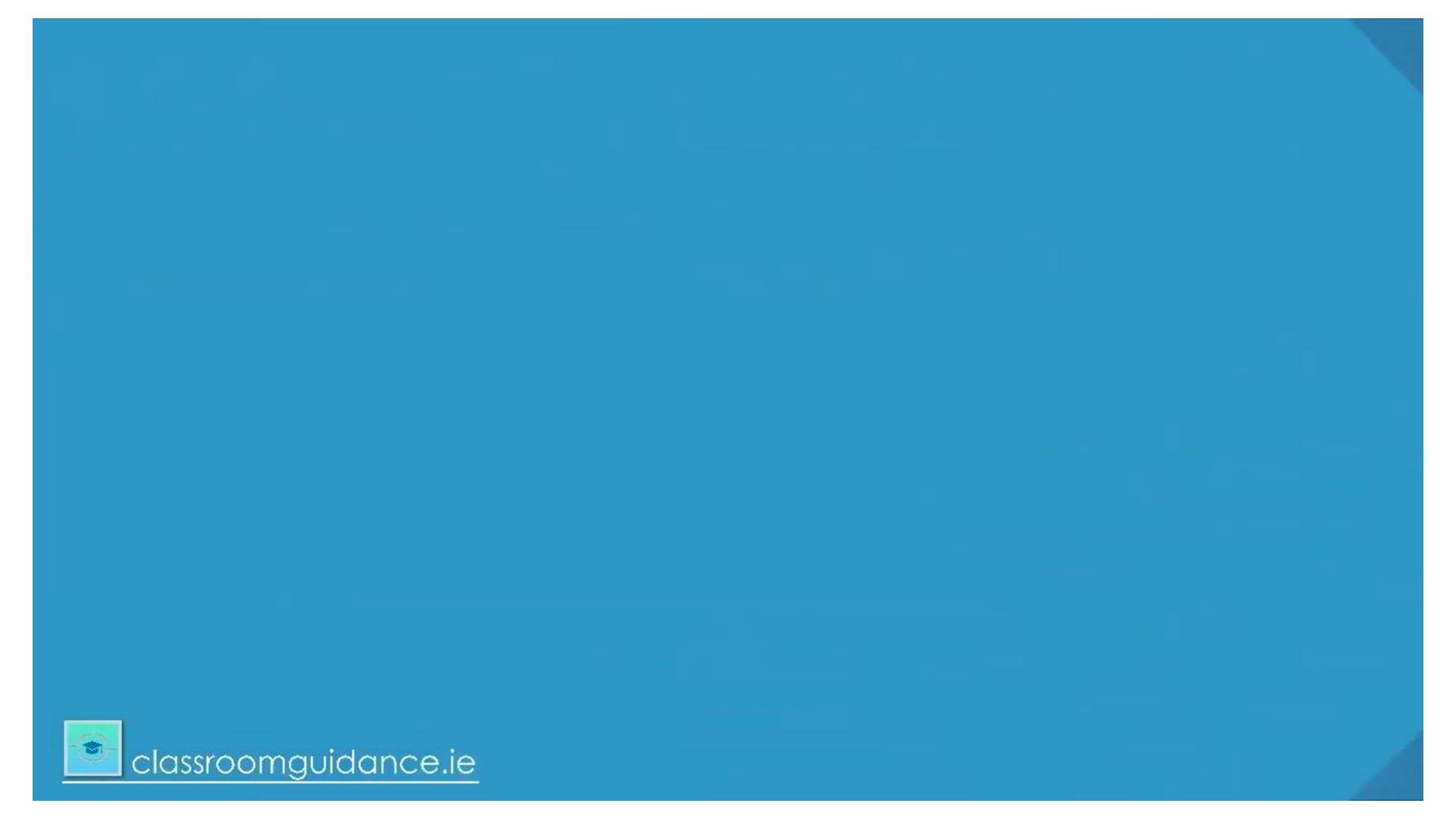
- Know what a course involves before you apply
- Apply in your genuine order of preference
- Ignore the points
- Only apply for courses you genuinely want to do



#### When it comes to your learning journey, the possibilities are endless. But it can be a little overwhelming. Qualifax can help you discover your pathway.

Our comprehensive database of up to 15,000 courses is here to help students, jobseekers, parents, guidance professionals and graduates explore their education and training options. So whether you're a student looking for a CAO course or an employee interested in microcredentials for that next promotion, we have you covered.





# PLCS



- Post Leaving Cert (PLC) courses are typically one or two year, module-based programmes of study, covering a wide range of subject areas.
- PLCs offer a QQI certification.
- PLC courses can also serve as an alternative way of <u>accessing a third level degree</u> course with almost 20% of all CAO applicants presenting a Level 5 or Level 6 PLC award to access these opportunities.

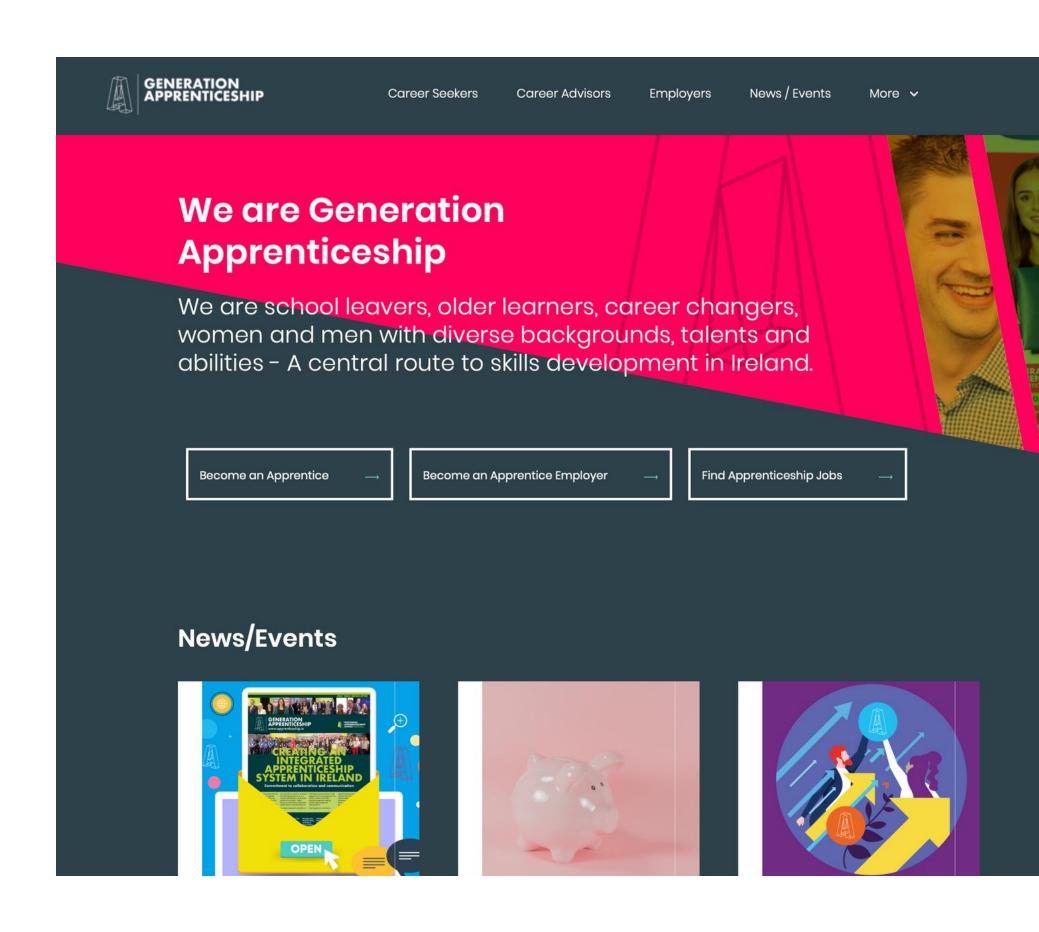
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College of Further Education

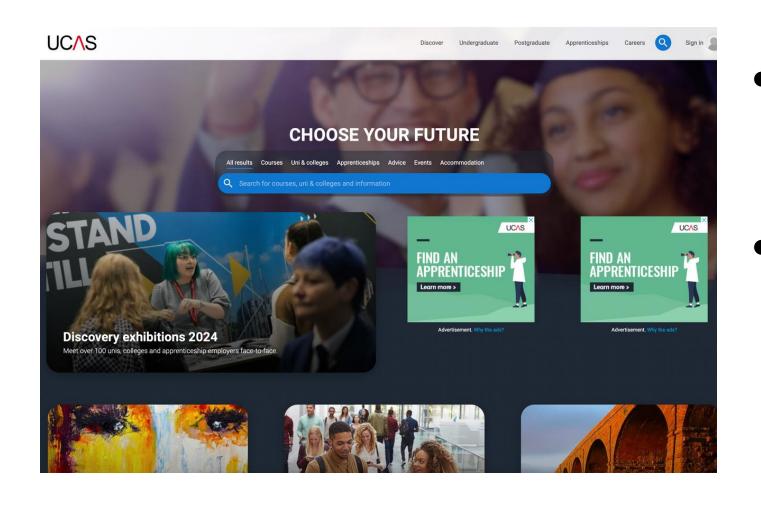
# Apprenticeships

- 'Learn as you earn' model
- Traditional Apprenticeships
- New Apprenticeships from industries such as Computer & ICT, MedTech, Insurance, Finance, Accountancy, Logistics and Hospitality sectors.
- PLC in pre-apprenticeship in Plunket College of Further Education
- TUD offer apprenticeships

#### www.apprenticeships.ie



#### University in the UK -



• Visit ucas.co.uk for more information

 Remember they require a personal statement as well as references - do not leave this to the last minute!





## University in the EU

- There are over 1000 undergraduate degree programmes in a full range of subjects in universities across Europe which are delivered through English.
- Entry requirements in many European universities are generally lower compared to Irish universities.
- There are no, or low, tuition fees in many European countries.
- 30th September free 'Studying Abroad' webinar - link on Teams page

IADT - 23rd November

Trinity - 2nd November

UCD - 9th November

**Dundalk IT** - 21st November

DCU - 16th November

**TUD** - 14th November

Maynooth - 23rd November





Dates for your Diary

Open Days

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Any Questions?