

Creative Arts Summer School

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is the Creative Arts Summer School?

A. This is the sixth Creative Arts School and it is funded by the Department of Education and Skills, now the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science Programme for Access to Higher Education (PATH) initiative.

Participating Institutions – Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Dun Laoghaire (IADT); National College of Art and Design (NCAD); Marino Institute of Education (MIE); Trinity College Dublin (TCD); and University College Dublin (UCD), Technological University Dublin (TUD), RCSI University of Medicine and Health Sciences and MTU Crawford College of Art and MTU Cork School of Music.

The Creative Arts Summer School will be delivered over 8 days from Monday 12th of June to Friday, 23rd of June from 10.00 am – 4.00 pm. The aim of the Creative Arts Summer School is to raise awareness of the higher education opportunities in the creative arts in Dublin and Cork. The project is operated through Access Services in each of the participating colleges and seeks to widen participation for groups currently underrepresented in our colleges. You will have the opportunity to spend one day on each campus in CASS Dublin or CASS Cork. You will participate in on-campus creative arts workshops. You will have the opportunity to find out about the application processes, entry requirements, student support services and creative career opportunities related to each college's creative courses.

Q. How will I get to the different colleges?

A. A bus will be provided in CASS Dublin to provide access to IADT, MIE, TUD and UCD. The bus will depart from NCAD each morning.

Q. Who can apply for the Creative Arts Summer School?

A. This Creative Arts Summer School is open to applicants from the following equity groups:

- From an underrepresented socio-economic group

(See: <http://accesscollege.ie/hear/making-an-application/eligibilityindicators/socio-economic-group/>)

- A mature applicant (first to college)
- A person with a disability or significant ongoing illness
- A lone parent in receipt of a social welfare payment.
- An Irish Traveller
- A QQI-FET/FETAC full award holder (Level 5/6/7)
- A member of an ethnic minority
- Those with Refugee/Leave to Remain status
- Those who have completed an access course/programme.

Applicants must be 16+.

Q. How do I apply?

A. Applicants should apply online by June 2nd. The application link can be found on ncad.ie/cass

Q. What information will I need to apply?

A. All applicants will be asked to provide personal details and asked to answer questions based on the following:

- Barriers faced in accessing higher education
- Creative Aspirations
- Eligibility Criteria

Q. How will applications be assessed?

A. Applications will be examined by the Creative Arts Sub Group Committee, which will have a representative from a range of participating HEIs.

Q. When will I know if I have a place?

A. All applicants will be informed by email of the outcome of their application.

Q. Who can I contact with any queries?

A. Email cass@staff.ncad.ie with any questions you have.