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# **Year 10 GCSE Choices**

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# Agenda:



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1. Researching Careers & Current Trends
2. Subject Options & Related Careers
3. The GCSE Choices Form
4. Questions



# GCSE Choices Presentation

- Researching Careers & Current Trends



# Careers Research

## Refer to the Helpsheet

**Year 10 Career Planning Help-Sheet**

The earlier you start career planning, the more likely you are to make the right choices. If you are not sure about the career path you would like to follow or the career opportunities that are available when you leave school, follow these steps.

**Step 1:** Think about your abilities and interests. You can use some careers websites to help you.

**Website 1: Xello**

- Go to My School, select My apps and Xello. Login using your c2ken login and password. Complete the Matchmaker quiz in About me to find a range of jobs which may suit your skills.
- You can also complete the other tasks in About Me.

**Website 2: Careers Service website at [www.nidirect.gov.uk/careers](http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/careers)**

- This website has comprehensive information in video and written form and numerous links to sites for further support.
- Click on "Careers Online Support" and work through the different sections such as "A-Z Careers." This section enables you to read about different job families and research individual careers: the video clips are excellent.

**Website 3: [www.icould.com](http://www.icould.com) :**

- To explore careers, browse career videos, check out links between subject choice and career and get help making decisions.
- Visit [www.icould.com/buzz/](http://www.icould.com/buzz/) and take the quiz. What do the results suggest?

**Step 2:** Once you have decided on the job family, job, course or subject area that interests you it is important to read relevant literature and visit websites.

- As you become better informed about the job or course you should be able to describe the entry requirements (including relevant subjects), skills required and learn about professional bodies etc.
- Subject teachers will be happy to suggest useful websites describing careers related to the study of their subject.
- A Google search often brings positive results eg careers + history

❖ There are many very good websites for careers in STEM subjects:

- [www.tomorrowsevenengineers.org.uk/](http://www.tomorrowsevenengineers.org.uk/)
- [www.futuresinengineering.com/](http://www.futuresinengineering.com/)
- [www.rsc.org/](http://www.rsc.org/) Royal Society of Chemistry
- <https://bringitonni.co.uk/bring-it-on/>

❖ Website for information on careers using Modern Languages:

- <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree/modern-languages>

❖ Website for information on careers in the NHS include:

- <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/>

Alternatively, contact someone already working in the sector and ask them about their job. Most people will be happy to flag up the positive and negative aspects of their job.

Think about the ways you can acquire new skills and develop those that you already have. There are so many school activities that provide excellent opportunities for you to develop vital transferable skills like teamwork, ICT skills, communication etc.

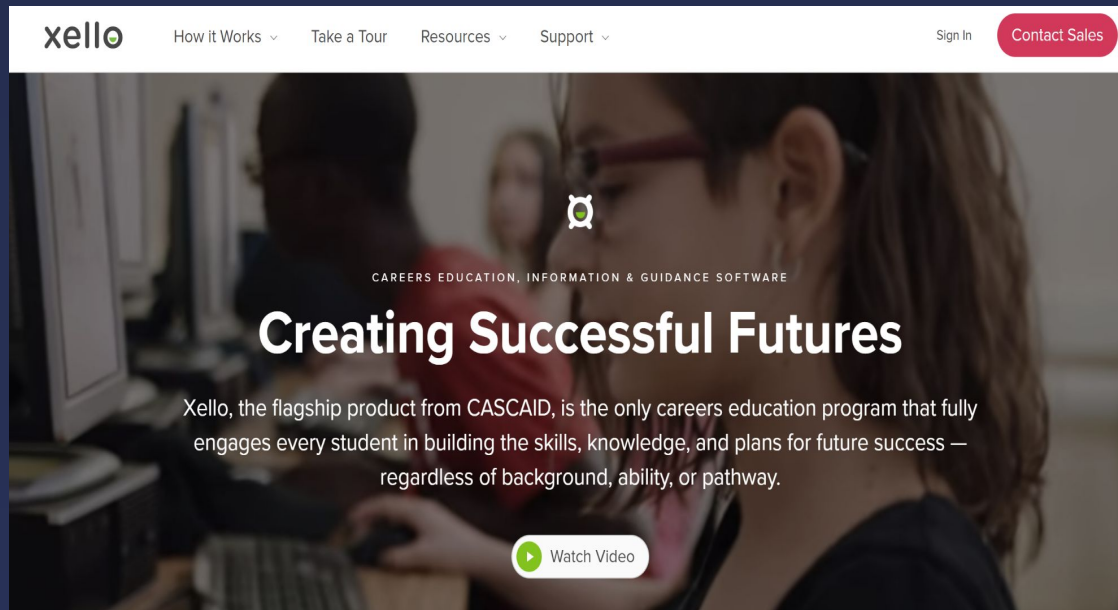
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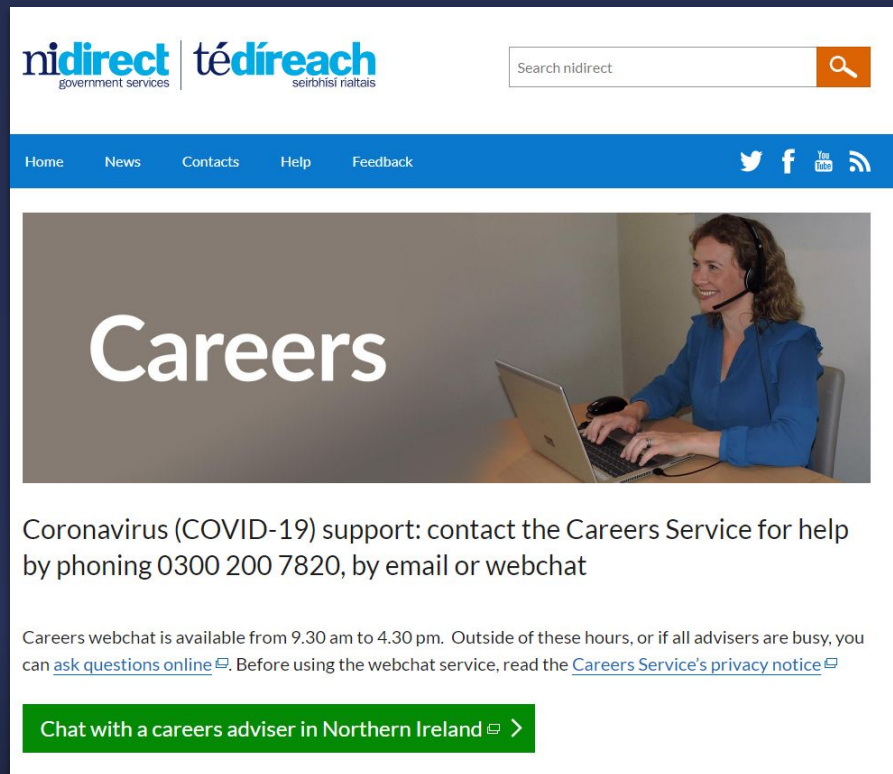


## Careers Research

NI Government Website **www.nidirect.gov.uk/careers**

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Option to chat with a careers advisor in NI.



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# Careers

Coronavirus (COVID-19) support: contact the Careers Service for help by phoning 0300 200 7820, by email or webchat

Careers webchat is available from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm. Outside of these hours, or if all advisers are busy, you can [ask questions online](#). Before using the webchat service, read the [Careers Service's privacy notice](#).

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[www.successatschool.org/advice/subjects](http://www.successatschool.org/advice/subjects)

The careers Paths / explore career zones section of this website is useful for information about different career areas.

**success at school .org** choose your next steps

Home Career Paths **Advice** Employers Universities Jobs & Courses Forums ... 🔍

Home > Advice > Subjects

**Subjects** Date ▾ Category ▾ Sub - Category ▾

**Where can a religious studies A-level take me?**

Looking at your A-level options and not sure what to study? Read on to find out how a religious studies A-level can not only be an interesting subject, but can also give you a range of transferable skills... 🔍

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**maxillofacial surgeon**

Hi, Did my question go through? 🔍

**What should i do for my GCSE's?**

Hi. I was just wondering which GCSE subjects i should pursue for the job of maxillofacial surgeon, (I would prefer to become... 🔍)

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**How do you unwind after studying?**



To explore careers,  
browse career videos,  
check out links between  
subject choice and  
career and get help  
making decisions.

You can take the Buzz  
quiz and see what the  
results suggest.

## Careers Research [www.icould.com](http://www.icould.com)

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Once you have decided on the job family, job, course or subject area that interests you it is important to **find out what subjects, skills and level of education are needed to enter that career.**

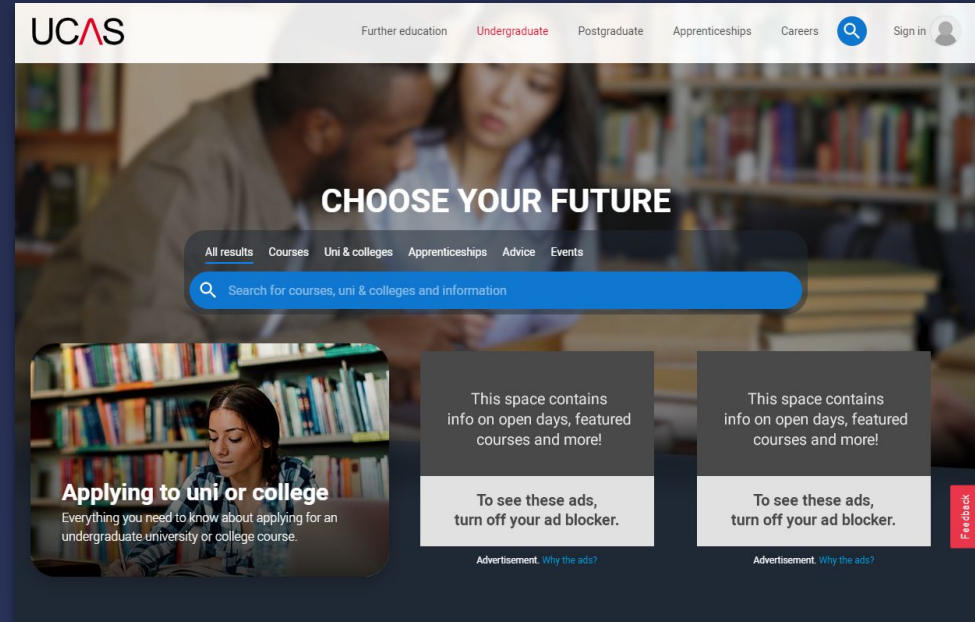


If you are considering a specific University course you should look up the course on the **UCAS** website:

[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

This will provide you with a lot of information on entry criteria to courses, what subjects are essential, what grades are needed in different universities, etc.

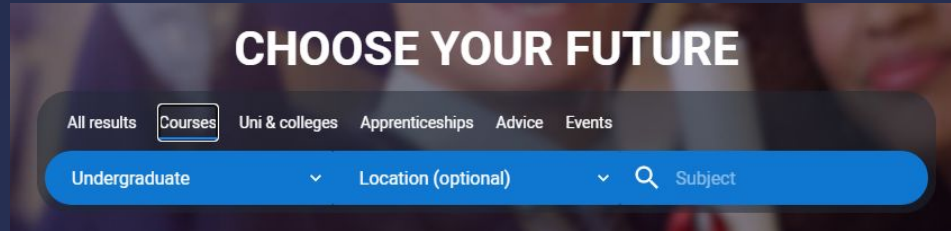
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**www.ucas.com**



Search:

- Courses
- Universities
- Undergraduate
- NI / Elsewhere
- Entry Criteria

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18 courses from 1 provider



## French

Queen's University Belfast

Main Site

BA (Hons)

4 Years

Full-time

19/09/2022

128

UCAS Tariff Points

Related courses



## Accounting with French

Queen's University Belfast

Main Site

BSc (Hons)

4 Years

Full-time

19/09/2022

136

UCAS Tariff Points

Related courses



## Anthropology and French

Queen's University Belfast

Main Site

BA (Hons)

4 Years

Full-time

19/09/2022

128

UCAS Tariff Points

Related courses

## Careers Research Colleges

If you are considering a course at a regional college like **ATU**, **NWRC** or **CAFRE** then you should review their prospectus.

- NWRC: [www.nwrc.ac.uk](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk)
- CAFRE: [www.cafre.ac.uk](http://www.cafre.ac.uk)
- ATU: [www.atu.ie](http://www.atu.ie)





If you are considering a Basic or higher level apprenticeship then look up the specific apprenticeship website.

Many are linked with courses in the local regional college and more information can be found at this address:

[www.nwrc.ac.uk/training-and-apprenticeships](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/training-and-apprenticeships)

**2023: 5 leavers to HLAs or Degree Apprenticeships**

**Business / Engineering /  
Accountancy / ICT**

## Careers Research **Apprenticeships**



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# Apprenticeships

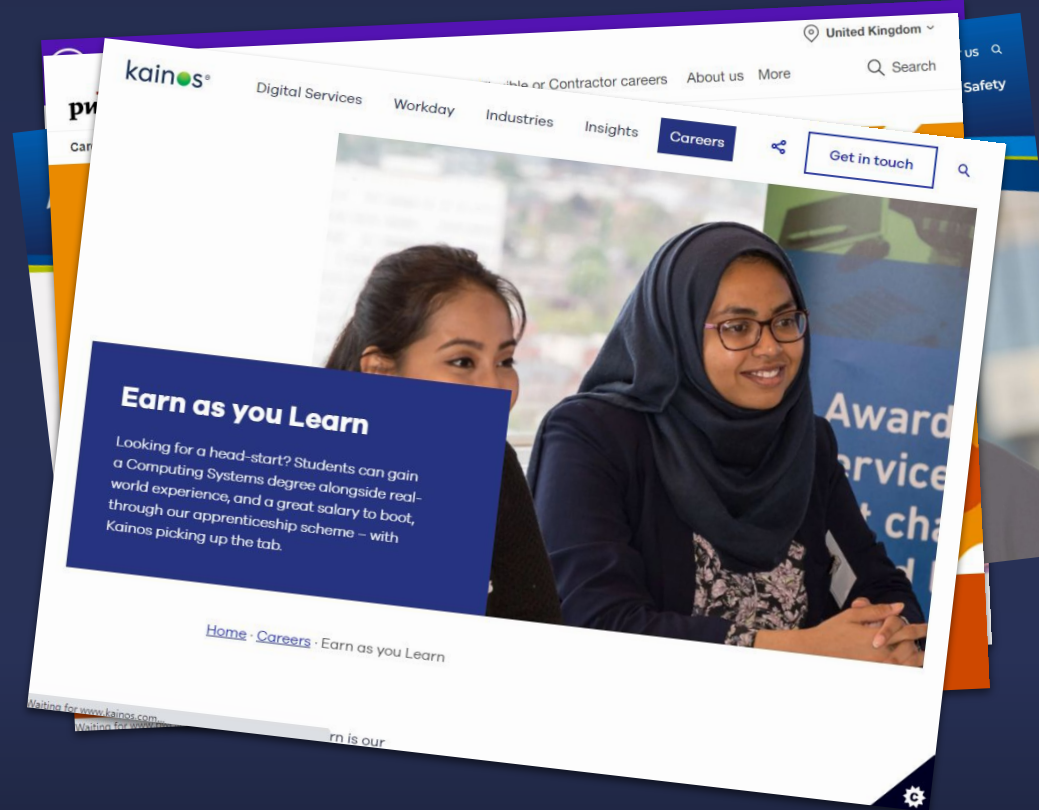
Here are just a few examples of some apprenticeships based in industry:

## BT Apprenticeships

<https://www.bt.com/careers/early-careers/apprentices>

## NIE Apprenticeships

<https://www.nienetworks.co.uk/apprenticeships>





# #What's Trending Future Job Opportunities



# The following areas are extremely important to the Northern Ireland economy:



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- **ICT:**

Software development, database development, systems architecture and internet specialist skills, mobile communication, computer games, touch screen technology, satellite navigation devices .

- **Creative and digital media**

Cloud computing, mobile technologies, computer games and digital entertainment, cyber-security products and services.

- **Agri-food sector**

Laboratory technicians, food scientists, bio-technology, machine operatives, supply chain manager.



- **Business and financial services**

Accountants, bank officials, underwriters, insurance and investment brokers, actuaries and pensions advisers.

- **Advanced manufacturing and engineering**

This includes careers requiring CAD skills, mechanical and electrical engineering skills including at technician level.

- **Renewable energies and recycling**

Mechanical engineers, research and development managers, physical scientists, design and development engineers, biological scientists and biochemists.

- **Health and life sciences**

Ambulance paramedics, Physiotherapists, Dentists, Veterinary Nursing, Pharmacists, Nurses, Doctors, Dental hygienists, occupational therapists etc.

# Questions to Ask



- Do I need to go to college or university to become this?
- What subjects are essential?
- What grades are necessary to get into this course at College or Uni?
- Are there alternative ways to get into this course / career?
- Are apprenticeships available in this career path?
- What skills are mentioned as important? Do I have those yet?
- How could I improve those skills? What activities could I try?

Contact someone already working in the sector and ask them about their job.  
Most people will be happy to tell you the positive and negative aspects.

# Skill Development - Extracurricular



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## CLUBS & AWARDS

Board Game Club  
Chess  
DOE – Silver and Gold  
Eco Committee  
French Debating Competition  
History Club  
Law Society  
Modern Foreign Languages  
Pottery Club

Sign Language Club  
STEM Club  
Study Club  
SU (180)  
Technology Club  
Textiles Club  
Upcycling Club  
Young Enterprise

## MUSIC & DRAMA

Choir  
Concert Band  
Drama  
Guitar Club  
Junior Drama Club  
Languages Choir  
School Rock Groups  
String Orchestra  
Trad Group  
Ukulele Orchestra

## SPORT

Athletics  
Cricket  
Cross Country  
Football (Boys)  
Football (Girls)  
Hockey  
Netball  
Rugby  
Sports Day  
Surf Club  
Swimming  
Tennis

# What subjects are they best at & what types of work do they enjoy doing?



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- Project work
- Working with numbers
- Writing assignments
- Laboratory work
- Learning languages
- Using computers
- Designing and drawing
- Playing sports
- Performing in plays or concerts
- Making things
- Working with others
- Meeting deadlines



# What do they enjoy doing in their spare time?



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- Playing sport or exercising
- Writing & being imaginative
- Playing computer games or using the internet
- Building or repairing things
- Acting, singing, dancing or playing musical instruments
- Designing and making things
- Budgeting money
- Attending youth clubs and meeting friends
- Organising Events eg: parties or trips
- Being outdoors whatever the weather
- Bossing everyone else around!



# Strategy for choosing GCSE subjects



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1. Which subjects are compulsory?  
(Maths, English Language & Science)
2. What subjects do they like?
3. What subjects are they good at?
4. What subjects are required for their future career pathway?

5. What would this subject combination rule out in terms of careers?





# GCSE Choices Presentation

- Subject Options & Related Careers



# GCSE Subject Options



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- English Language (Compulsory)
  - Mathematics (Compulsory)
  - RE Enrichment (Compulsory, Non-exam)
  - Science (3 Options)
- All pupils will study 9 GCSEs

# GCSE Subject Choices Booklet



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## ART & DESIGN

GCSE Exam Board: CCEA



Modules	% of GCSE Grade	How it is Assessed	Unit Title
Unit 1:	60%	TEACHER ASSESSED with external moderation	Part A – Exploratory Portfolio (25%) Part B – Investigating the Cultural and Creative Industries (35%)
Unit 2:	40%	TEACHER ASSESSED with external moderation	Working to a stimulus – a minimum of 20 hours of preparatory work followed by a 10 hour exam period.

### Career Opportunities

Students holding a GCSE in Art & Design can use their skills in many areas of design including:

Art and Design Teacher, Advertising, Art Director, Artist, Animator, Architect, Blacksmith, Ceramics Designer, Illustrator, Costume Designer, Fashion Designer, Fashion/Advertising, Games Designer, Photographer, Footwear Designer, Furniture Designer, Hairdresser, Window Dresser, Glass Designer, Graphic Designer, Web Designer, Product Designer, Occupational Therapist, Medical Illustrator, Set Designer, Special Effects Designer.

### Other Information

Students will

- develop knowledge, understanding and awareness of the purpose of art, craft and design in a variety of contexts through their own work and the research of others' work
- have opportunities to actively engage in the creative process of art, craft and design, developing their creative, imaginative and intuitive capabilities, critical and reflective thinking skills and technical skills
- be encouraged to work independently and with a broad range of media to experiment, take risks and refine ideas and outcomes

You can produce work in 2D, 3D, fine art and design, including drawing, painting, graphic design, textile design, lens-based media, critical and contextual studies, 3D design and sculpture.

# For more in depth subject information:



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Read the subject booklet pupils received.

- This outlines the **Course which pupils would follow** in that subject.
- It includes **information on the form of assessment the GCSE uses**: for example the % of work within the subject which is assessed by elements of course work throughout the 2 years (called Controlled Assessment).
- Also **consider which style of assessment suits the student** when selecting certain GCSEs.
- Be wary of choosing too many coursework heavy subjects.

# GCSE Subjects on Offer



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English Literature

Digital Technology:  
Multimedia

Business Studies

Art and Design

English Language

Digital Technology:  
Programming

Religious Studies

Music

Single Award Science

Technology:  
Systems

History

Physical Education

Double Award Science

Technology:  
Product Design

Geography

Triple Award Science

Food & Nutrition

Spanish

Mathematics

Health & Social Care

French

Further Mathematics

Child Development

Drama

# Science Options



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# Science at A level



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Both Double Award and Triple Award science will allow pupils to progress to A level providing they meet the subject entry criteria.

# Single Award Science



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- It will be in the interests of some students to study Single Award science, and they will have been advised of this opportunity.
- SA allows for a greater range of subjects to be selected, however, it is important to note that this means **they would be unable to study A level science within LGS**. There is a limited possibility to study A Level Life & Health science - see subject choice booklet.



# Religious Studies & LLW



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- Religious studies & LLW must be taught up to year 12 as part of the statutory curriculum.
- Students can select to study Religious Studies as a full GCSE.
- Everyone will have one period of RE Enrichment in their timetable. This will follow an Ethics course but will not be examined as a GCSE exam.
- Every pupil will have 1 period of LLW per week.

# English Literature



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- English Literature is not a compulsory subject.
- However we would encourage all able students to select this subject at GCSE.

## Points to Note:

- In Scotland some universities will look for English Lit at GCSE as a discursive subject.
- If English Literature is not studied at GCSE it will rule out studying English at A Level.
- Some Scottish universities prefer teaching and nursing applicants to have either Maths or English Literature at A level.

# French & Spanish



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- Studying a modern language at GCSE is not compulsory.
- However we would encourage all able students to continue studying a language at GCSE.

## Points to note:

1. Some Universities in the Republic of Ireland require a language at GCSE.
2. Being able to speak a language is a skill carried through life – not just a GCSE.
3. Languages open doors to careers internationally.
4. Most Universities require 2 languages at GCSE to study a Language course at Degree level.
5. Many courses offer joint honours with languages. Eg: Law, Business, Economics etc.
6. Enhances your CV when applying for any internships.

# Further Maths



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- To study Maths at A level it is recommended to select further Maths at GCSE.
- If a student does not study further maths at GCSE the only way to enter maths A level is to achieve a high A grade (UMS score of at least 340, having completed M4 and M8 modules) or A\* in GCSE Mathematics.

## Points to note:

- Pupils considering further maths should be achieving 75% or more in Maths tracking tests and exams.
- Many Engineering, computer programming and economics courses require A level maths.

# Additional GCSE Subjects



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**Business Studies**

**Child Development**

**Drama**

**Health & Social Care**

# Digital Technology



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## Multimedia

Develops core skills and understanding with an **emphasis** on the creative elements such as graphics, animation, sound and website development.

## Programming

Develops core skills and understanding with an **emphasis** on *programming* and learning the languages and concepts that are used to develop modern computer systems.

**These subjects CANNOT be studied together**

# Technology



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## Systems

Produce an electronic based project,

Students are more likely to favour building and designing circuits however, they are also expected to model, manufacture and produce written coursework.

## Product Design

Produce an outcome that does not include a circuit that they have made.

Product Design students predominantly enjoy art, modelling, manufacture and written coursework.

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# Please Note:



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- Pupils can make changes at a later stage but .....changes will be dependent on the timetable and class sizes.
- Some subjects may not run if not enough students have selected it or there is a change to staffing.
- Some universities in the Republic of Ireland do not accept Health and Social Care and Sports Science and the Active Leisure Industry as A level subjects, please check the university courses you are interested in to be sure.



# Careers & Examples of Requirements:



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- Most Engineering Courses require Maths and Physics at A Level. Some accept Technology instead of Physics.
- Many Architecture Courses prefer/require Art at GCSE and Physics or Double Award to GCSE. Maths, Physics and Art to A Level can be preferences. Some accept Technology at A Level. A portfolio of work will be required.
- Food Science Courses require Double Award at GCSE and prefer Chemistry and Biology at A Level.



- Modern Language Courses: many require two languages at GCSE.
- Many Law Courses: require a very good GCSE profile but most do not ask for specific subjects at A Level.
- Optometry: Double Award or 3 Sciences at GCSE. 2/3 of Chemistry, Biology, Maths, Physics at A Level (see individual courses). Physics not always asked for but very important.
- Computer Programming: A-level to include Mathematics & Software Systems Development. GCSE Mathematics grade C.

# Teaching



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- Some Primary Teaching courses require **A or B in GCSE English and Maths.**
- Some **Scottish Universities** seem to prefer students offering **Maths and English beyond GCSE.**
- Teaching Experience/Observation or working with young people in a voluntary capacity is essential for application.

# Medicine, Veterinary, Dentistry



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- Need— **Double or Triple Award Science at GCSE. Very high grades!**  
Need as many A\* at GCSE as possible (Eg: 8 or 9) for some of the most competitive courses.
- **Study 4 AS subjects and 3 or 4 required at A Level.** Including Chemistry. Top Grades!
- **Dentistry** requires evidence of manual dexterity  
2/3 of Sciences and Maths at A Level is a preference/requirement for many courses and aptitude tests are required for most.
- **Work Experience, voluntary work and thorough interview preparation is essential.**
- Aptitude Test - UCAT. ([www.ucat.ac.uk](http://www.ucat.ac.uk))

# Specific University Requirements:



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Many UK universities use GCSE results to select students for entry, not AS grades.

- Some of these universities include:  
Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh, St Andrews, King's College London, Imperial College London, Exeter & Durham.
- Therefore your GCSE results can impact the universities which you will be able to apply to.



# GCSE Choices Presentation

- GCSE Choices Form



# Completing the Form:



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- Option blocks will be created from the choices made on this form.
- Pupils will have the **opportunity to change** their mind during the interview process, **BUT only within the confines of the option blocks.**
- Please take this seriously and make an informed choice.
- We do regret that on occasions there have been **some subject combinations that have not been possible and first choices have not been available.**
- Some courses may not run.

# Choices Form – Section A & B



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<b>[A]</b>	Mathematics	✓	English	✓	<b>No of GCSEs</b>
<b>You must study:</b>					2

You then have some choices to make. Make your choices by ticking the appropriate boxes.

<b>[B]</b>	<b>SCIENCE OPTION</b>
<b>Choose</b>  <b>a, b or c</b>	(a) Single Award Science
	(b) Double Award Science
	(c) Biology AND Chemistry AND Physics

Tick


1
2
3

- Some students may be advised to study Single Award Science.



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- **Triple Award** – All 3 sciences are studied with 3 modules completed in each. This is equivalent to **THREE** GCSE subjects and 3 grades are awarded.
- Pupils who are interested in studying Triple Award science should put it on their form.
- **Only one triple award class of 24 pupils will be formed each year.** Applicants are ranked based on their previous science performance and the top 24 applicants are offered first refusal of the places in the class.

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# Choices Form – Section C



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<b>[C]</b>	Art & Design		Geography		
<b>Choose four OR five OR six</b>	Business Studies		Health & social Care		4 OR 5 OR 6
	Child Development		History		
	Digital Technology (Multimedia)} OR		Music		
	Digital Technology (Programming)		Physical Education		
	Drama/Performing Arts		Religious Studies (full course only)		
	English Literature		Spanish		
	Food & Nutrition		Technology Systems} OR		
	French		Technology Product Design}		
	Further Maths				

- Please rank subjects in order of importance - this is **VERY IMPORTANT!**
- Please select 2 Reserves

# Section C – Worked Example



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## Double Science: Considering Career in Law

[C]	Art & Design		Geography	R1	4 OR 5 OR 6
Choose four OR five OR six	Business Studies	R2	Health & social Care		
	Child Development		History	3	
	Digital Technology (Multimedia)} <b>OR</b>		Music		
	Digital Technology (Programming)		Physical Education		
	Drama/Performing Arts		Religious Studies (full course only)	2	
	English Literature	1	Spanish	4	
	Food & Nutrition	5	Technology Systems} <b>OR</b>		
	French		Technology Product Design}		
	Further Maths				

# Section C – Worked Example



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## Triple Science: Considering Career in Architecture



<b>[C]</b>	Art & Design	<b>1</b>	Geography		
<b>Choose four OR five OR six</b>	Business Studies	<b>R2</b>	Health & social Care		4 OR 5 OR 6
	Child Development		History		
	Digital Technology (Multimedia)} OR		Music		
	Digital Technology (Programming)		Physical Education		
	Drama/Performing Arts		Religious Studies (full course only)		
	English Literature	<b>4</b>	Spanish	<b>R1</b>	
	Food & Nutrition		Technology Systems} OR		
	French		Technology Product <u>Design}</u>	<b>3</b>	
	Further Maths	<b>2</b>			



# Section C – Worked Example



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## Single Award Science: Considering Career in Media

[C]	Art & Design	4	Geography		4 OR 5 OR 6
Choose four OR five OR six	Business Studies		Health & social Care		
	Child Development		History	5	
	Digital Technology (Multimedia)} <b>OR</b>	3	Music	R2	
	Digital Technology (Programming)		Physical Education	6	
	Drama/Performing Arts	2	Religious Studies (full course only)	R1	
	English Literature	1	Spanish		
	Food & Nutrition		Technology Systems} <b>OR</b>		
	French		Technology Product Design}		
	Further Maths				

# Please remember:



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- It is not possible to study both Digital Technology Multimedia and Digital Technology Programming.
- It is not possible to study both Technology Systems and Technology Product Design.
- Applied Subjects such as, Health and Social Care and Sports Science and the Active Leisure Industry, if taken to A level may not always be accepted by Universities in the **Republic of Ireland - if your young person is considering studying in ROI we advise checking each university's entrance criteria for the course they are wishing to study.**
- Pupils can make changes at a later stage but .....changes will be dependent on the timetable and class sizes.
- Some subjects may not run if not enough students have selected it or if staffing changes.



# Strategy for choosing GCSE subjects



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1. Which subjects are compulsory?  
(Maths, English Language & Science)
2. What subjects do they **like**?
3. What subjects are they **good at**?
4. What subjects are **required** for their future career pathway?

5. What would this subject combination rule out in terms of careers?



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## DEPARTMENTS

Art and Design

Biology

Chemistry

Double Award  
Science

English (with  
Media Education)

English Literature

Geography

Government and  
Politics

Health and Social  
Care

History

Home Economics

ICT and  
Computing

Journalism

Mathematics

Modern  
Languages

Music

Physical  
Education

Physics

Religious Studies

Single Award  
Science

Technology and  
Design

## TIMETABLES

Exam Timetables

Controlled  
Assessment  
Timetables

## CAREERS

Careers  
Information

Subject Choices

GCSE Subject  
Choices

A-Level Subject  
Choices

Year 13  
Admissions

Work Experience

Volunteering

UCAS

Careers  
Opportunities

## LIBRARY



# Try to keep pupil options open while pursuing pupil strengths



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- There are many other career opportunities available in the future other than the ones pupils will be aware of at present.
- They will develop and change as a person over the next few years. **They will learn new skills and discover new qualities about themselves.** These may make other career options more appealing later.

# How can you help...



## Timetable

Calendarpedia  
Your source for calendars

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Time / period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

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Quizlet



duolingo

BBC  
Bitesize

# Friends.....The Reunion!!



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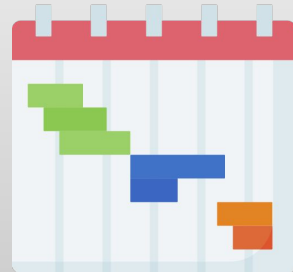


# Timeline for Choices



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- **Tuesday 16th January:** Presentation to pupils & Parents
- **Monday 22nd January:** Year 10 Parent & Teacher interviews
- **Wednesday 31st January:** Deadline for Handing in Forms to form teacher
- **During February/March:** Subject Choice Interviews
- **After interview:** Parental consent form returned
- **GCSE choice is finalised.**
- Changes are still possible at this point **but will be within the confines of the timetable** which has been created.



# Parents Feedback Survey



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# GCSE Choices Presentation

- Questions







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