THE INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

PROSPECTUS

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Our Principal Yvonne joined The Institute of Education in 2018. Yvonne graduated from University College Dublin with a degree in Irish and English and she continued her passion for learning with Religious Studies and Journalism qualifications. She was awarded a Masters of Science degree in Educational Management and Leadership from Dublin City University. During her early career Yvonne taught English but it is as an Irish teacher that she is best known having published 37 market leading Irish textbooks over the last 25 years.

The Institute of Education is Ireland's leading school for academic performance.

Established for over fifty years, our school has consistently sent more students to prestigious universities in Ireland, the UK and worldwide than any other school in the country.

As Principal of the school, it is my role to ensure that every student receives the care and support they need in order to achieve their academic goals and progress to their chosen university.

At The Institute of Education, we provide a focused, flexible and complete academic experience. We provide an environment where students can maximise their academic capabilities while also developing the confidence and maturity to thrive as they progress to University.

We are committed to the delivery of excellence in education. The foundation of our school and our students' success is the excellence of our teaching staff. We have the best teaching team in the country. Our school values of Respect, Ambition, Excellence and Independence, are reflected in how we support students, and work collaboratively to ensure that the academic results are exceptional.

I am here to support both the students and their parents, to ensure their experience here is the best it can possibly be. My door is always open and I look forward to welcoming you to our school.

“One of the most incredible things about The Institute of Education is the amount of patience and support offered to students”

Student Name – Nancy Amaka Anih
Country – Lagos Nigeria
One yr programme – The Institute of Education
Graduated – The Institute of Education 2021
Currently studying – Medicine at the
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

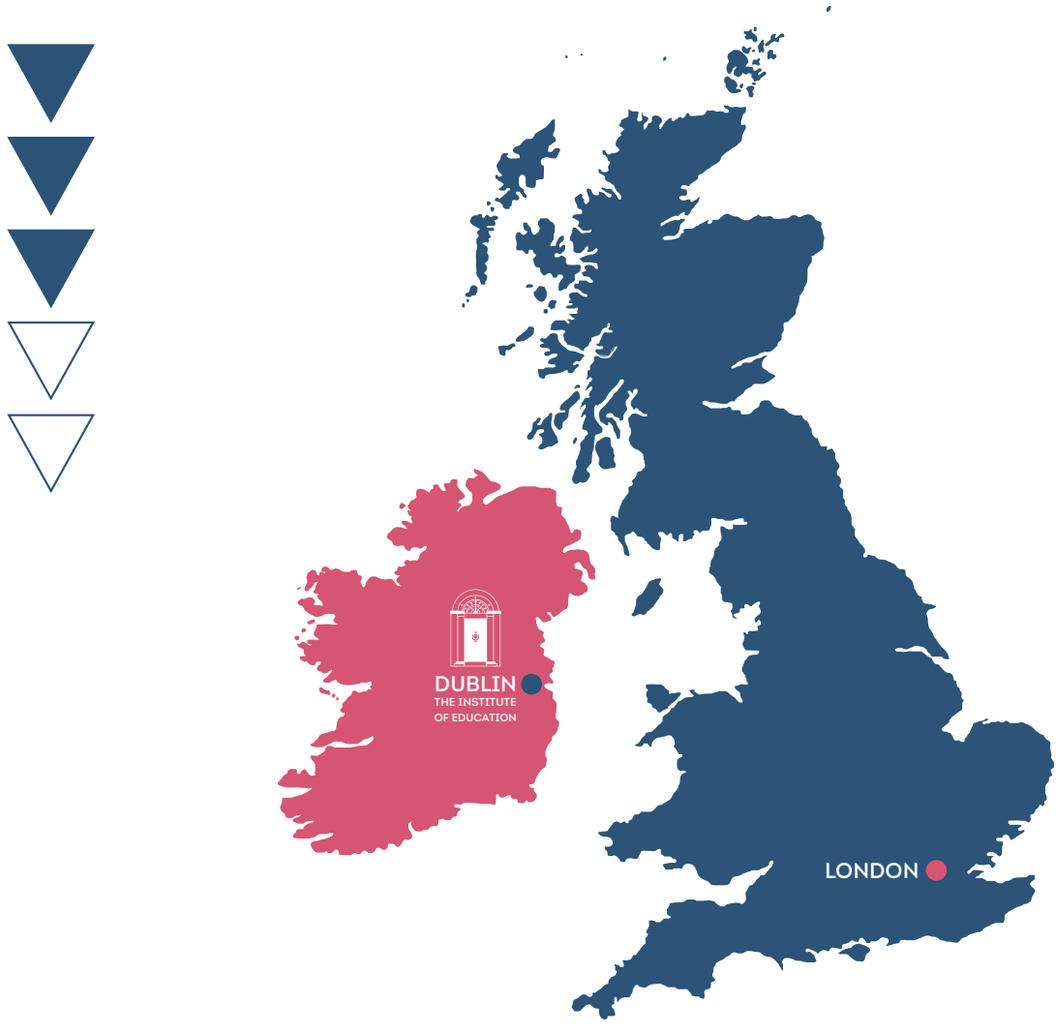


The Institute of Education is Ireland’s largest sixth form college providing two and three year pathway programmes to Irish, UK and Global Universities for 15-19 year old students. Based in Dublin, Ireland, students from over twenty countries study with over one thousand Irish students preparing for university admission.

Students work with exceptional teachers to prepare for the Irish secondary school exams: The Leaving Certificate. This pathway enables students to progress to highly competitive courses in Medicine, Dentistry, Actuarial Studies, Law, Technology and Business, in universities all over the world.

We are a school like no other. The teaching team, support staff and students all share the common goal of achieving academic excellence in an environment of respect, excellence and enjoyment. Our university admission team work with every student to ensure that their applications to prestigious universities are the very best they can be.

Our student accommodation is a unique blend of independence and support. Led by our Head of Student Accommodation, we provide a safe, welcoming and supportive home from home, all lessons are recorded which aids revision, allowing students to develop the independence and confidence that is vital for success at university.



Many countries can fly direct to Dublin, the capital city of Ireland. Dublin is also just a one hour flight from London.

Irish Education System

In the UK, US and worldwide, The Irish Leaving Certificate is equivalent to A-Levels. The Irish education system is globally recognised for Educational Excellence

High School Senior Cycle - Entry to The Institute of Education
Three years
Irish Leaving Certificate (ILC)
AGE 15 - 19

We offer two programmes:

Three yr: Senior Cycle ILC (Prepartion yr •Yr two: 60% (or more) ILC •Yr three: 40% ILC + Revision)

Two yr: Senior Cycle ILC (Yr One: 60% or more ILC •Yr two: 40% ILC + Revision)

Gain successful results in ILC =
Direct Entry to Universities in Ireland, UK & Globally

28 Subjects available

BUSINESS:
- Accounting
- Business
- Economics

SCIENCES:
- Agricultural Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Home Economics
- Physics
- Physical Education

LANGUAGES:
- Arabic
- French
- German
- Irish
- Italian
- Mandarin Chinese
- Spanish

CREATIVE:
- Art
- Design & Communication Graphics (DCG)
- Music

SOCIAL & CLASSICAL:
- Classical Studies
- Geography
- History
- Politics & Society
- Religious Education

MATHS:
- Applied Maths
- Maths

ENGLISH

"I had a great experience studying at The Institute; learning from the most prestigious teachers helped me achieve top results in the ILC enabling me to join medical school."

Student Name – Dr Michelle Low

Country – Malaysia

One yr programme – The Institute of Education

Graduated – The Institute of Education 2017

Graduated Medicine –

University College Dublin 2022



Academic Pathways

The Irish Leaving Certificate, a two year course, is equivalent to the two year A levels course

The Institute has **two entry points** - for our **two different programmes**

ENTRY POINT

THREE YEAR PROGRAMME

Age group: 15 years

IELTS 5.0

Blend of Academic & Extracurricular

28 Subjects Available: Sample 28 Subjects

Lunch clubs & Extracurriculars

Extra English language lessons

Personal Development Modules

International Language Exams

Time to adapt to learning & communicating in English

Time to adjust to a new education system

Career advice and guidance

Work experience

Field trips

ENTRY POINT

TWO YEAR PROGRAMME

Age Group: 16+

IELTS 5.5

28 Subjects Available: Choose 7 Subjects

Maths & English compulsory

Complete 60% (or more) of ILC course work

Weekly tests & assessments

Lunch clubs & Extracurriculars

Extra English language lessons

Career advice and guidance

University Pathways

FINAL YEAR

Study 7 Subjects Previously chosen from 28

Maths & English compulsory

Complete 40% (or less) of ILC course work Plus Revision for Exams

Weekly tests & assessments

Lunch clubs & Extracurriculars

Extra English language lessons

Career advice and guidance

1:1 University interview preparation

Sit ILC Exams in June

UNIVERSITY

The Irish Leaving Certificate and the A Levels offer direct progression to Top Universities

ILC Programmes at The Institute of Education

ILC Final Year Timeline

SEPTEMBER
School Starts

JUNE
ILC Exams

AUGUST
Results

OCTOBER
University Starts





Congratulations Class of 2025

96% UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCE

62% ACHIEVED **500+** (MIX A+/A/B)

4% UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCE & DEFERRED

625 EQUALS MAXIMUM POINTS

20% ACHIEVED **600+** (ALL A+)

IOE BEST RESULTS EVER

24% ACHIEVED **550-600** (MIX A+/A)

POINTS SYSTEM: COUNT YOUR BEST SIX SUBJECTS

625 Max Points = Six subjects x 100 points
Plus 25 potential extra points for honours maths

A+ = H1 = 100 points = 90 – 100%
A = H2 = 88 points = 80 – 89.99%
B = H3 = 77 points = 70 – 79.99%
C = H4 = 66 points = 60 – 69.99%

MEDICINE DENTISTRY
BUSINESS OUR INTERNATIONAL ICT
STUDENTS ARE FOLLOWING ARTS
ECONOMICS SUCCESSFUL PATHWAYS IN
ENGINEERING VETERINARY
LAW SOCIAL SCIENCES

Extracurricular Activity

Developing career and life skills is central to all education at The Institute of Education. We offer a comprehensive array of extracurriculars, lunch clubs, personal development modules and sporting activities to suit a wide spectrum of our students' interests.

Personal development modules offer our students the opportunity to develop new skills and embrace classes that they may otherwise not have experienced.

Work Experience

Work experience provides students with the opportunity to develop a wide range of transferable, critical thinking, creative problem solving and communication skills.

Work experience helps develop maturity and guides students towards setting realistic career goals, which in turn will help guide them in their subject choice decisions for the commencement of the Leaving Certificate Programme in fifth year. Work observation and volunteering are key advantages when applying to top universities.

Extracurriculars and Lunch Clubs

Extracurricular Options

LUNCH CLUBS

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Drama Club	Chess Club	Fitness Club	Table Tennis Club	Drama Club
Board Games	Film Studies Club	Table Tennis Club	Film Club	Drumming Club
Irish Club	Medical Meet-up	Board Games		Social Club

EXTRACURRICULARS

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
MUN	Athletics	Photography	Creative Writing	Debating
Philosophy	Chess	Bridge	Philosophy	Football
Volleyball			Badminton	Choir
Fitness				Robotics

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Drama	Yoga	First Aid	Yoga	Arts & Crafts
Journalism	Music Appreciation	Fitness	Fitness	Yoga
First Aid	Photography	Mythology	Self Defense	Bridge
			First Aid	
Yoga	Negotiation Skills	Stocks & Trading	Drama & Theatre Studies	Crochet















University Preparation

We provide comprehensive support to every student as they apply for their chosen university programmes. The dedicated international student mentors, the Duke's Plus team and year heads work one-to-one with all our international students, advising on subject choices for their chosen career path, monitoring and supporting them to ensure they achieve their academic goals throughout the year.

The career guidance team offer an abundance of resources and personal support to students as they progress to their chosen university. We have a great deal of expertise in preparing students for Oxbridge applications as well as for medical school and other highly competitive courses such as Dentistry, Veterinary, Engineering, Business, Economics, ICT, and Law.

One to one career advice on subject, university and course selection

UCAS process, deadlines, and requirements – for Ireland, UK and Universities worldwide

Assist students in writing their personal statements and resumes

Collate academic references and academic transcripts

Oversee University application submission

Conditional university offers are issued to successful applicants

Detailed and intensive admissions interview preparation

Providing advice on ILC results day

The Binary Hub

Our student accommodation is located on the doorstep of Dublin's City Centre in a modern, purpose-built residence The Binary Hub, with dedicated floors reserved solely for our students.

Our accommodation facility provides a safe, comfortable and convenient living environment that suits the needs of our students, according to age and maturity. Each student will enjoy their own private bedroom with ensuite bathroom. Students have access to all the facilities and amenities they need to thrive during their time at The Institute of Education. Facilities at The Binary Hub include: modern gym, games/common room, study room, outdoor courtyard, fast wifi, inspiring common spaces and 24/7 CCTV.

Our Head of Student Accommodation, Yvonne Ginnelly has over twenty years' experience providing care for students coming to study and live in Ireland. The safety and wellbeing of our students is of paramount importance to us - Yvonne and her dedicated team will be offering 24/7 supervision and are trained in first-aid.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner is provided on school days, during the school term in our new purpose built school canteen.

Students can stay for all school holidays (Mid-terms, Easter, Christmas etc) except for the summer holidays.

As a school we know that happy, healthy, confident students achieve more – both inside and outside of the classroom. We place a huge emphasis on the all-round care and well-being of our students. Yvonne leads a team of House parents that will take great care of every student.

"Staying at school accommodation not only made it easier to settle in, but it also gave me the chance to make friends before starting school" –

Leyao Jessica Qian











Class of 2025
University Progression Ireland

Universities	Count
TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN	174
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN	143
DUBLIN CITY UNIVERSITY	120
TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY DUBLIN	52
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IRELAND	37
NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND GALWAY	15
OTHER TOP IRISH UNIVERSITIES	67
Total	608

University Progression UK & Global

"My family and I are thrilled that I achieved **SEVEN H1s** in my Leaving Cert exams! In September, I will begin **studying at Cambridge University** for a degree in Psychological and Behavioural Sciences"

Student Name – Leyao Jessica Qian

Country – Malaysia

Two yr programme – The Institute of Education

Graduated – The Institute of Education 2023

Starting – Cambridge University 2023



Admissions

Students are suitable for The Institute of Education if they have completed:
International Exams • IGCSE • IB • As Level • or Local Country Exams

International Students applying to The Institute should have a minimum of 70% or higher in at least six subjects.

Application Process

Complete Online Application form:
https://instituteofeducation.ie/international-online-application/

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We require your last two years formal school reports, passport and birth certificate

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The minimum IELTS requirement for our 2 & 3 year programme is 5 – 5.5

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The application is reviewed and if successful you will be invited to zoom interview

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A successful interview will result in a conditional offer being made to applicant
You will be sent an acceptance letter to sign

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Once deposit is paid you will be enrolled and updated documents to aid your visa application are dispatched

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You will receive a pre-arrival welcome zoom call



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