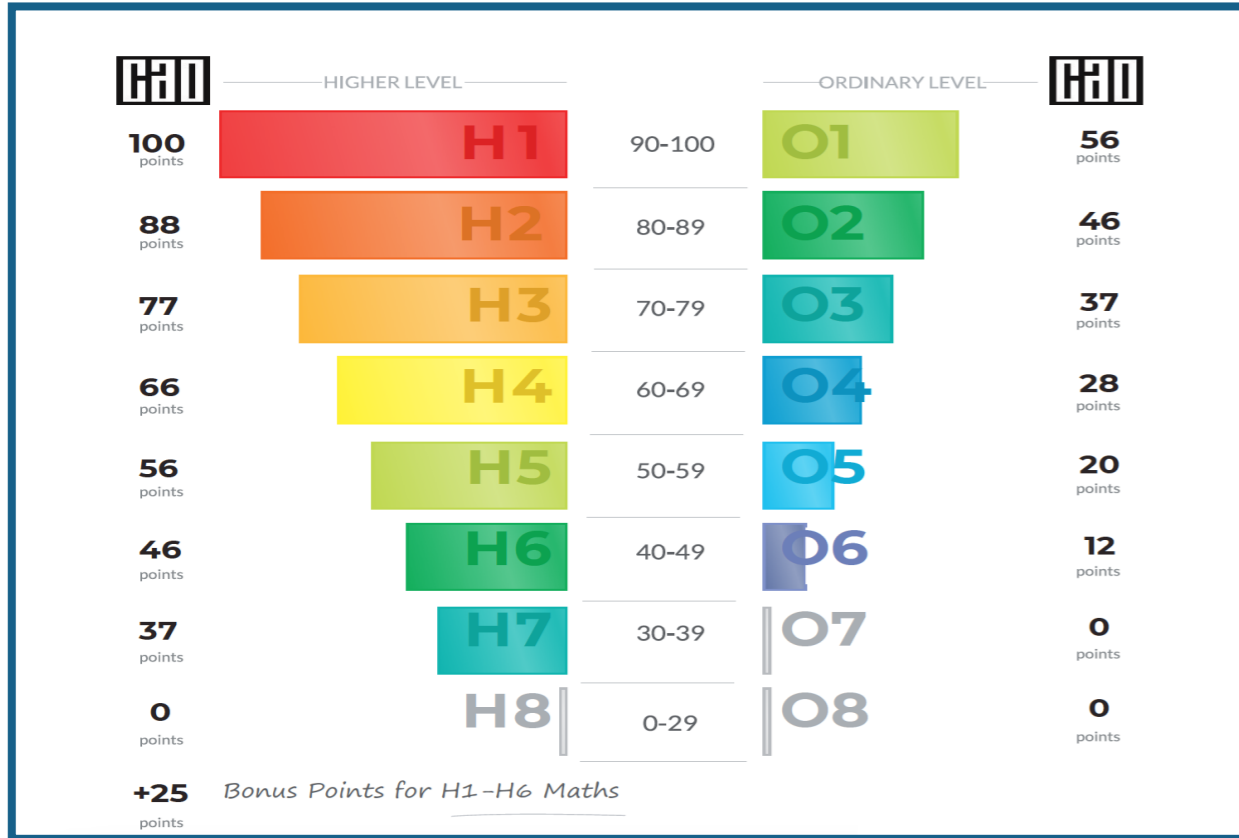


Requirement	Detail	Further Details	
1. Matriculation Requirements	The Matriculation Requirement is the minimum academic qualification for entry that a college demands from an applicant.	Trinity College (TCD) requires three H5 and three O6/H7 grades. According to the current guidelines from the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), to study an Honours Bachelor's Degree (Level 8) universities require a minimum of six subjects to include at least two Grade H5 and at least four Grade O6/H7. An Institute of Technology or Technical University requires a minimum of five subjects at O6/H7 to include Irish or English and Mathematics Grade O6 for an Ordinary Bachelor's Degree (Level 7) and Advanced Certificate (Level 6) course. There are some exceptions.	
2. Course Requirements / Subject Requirements	<p>Please consult the HEI websites and Qualifax www.qualifax.ie for more detailed and ongoing requirements.</p> <p>Particular courses may require grades, at certain levels, in particular subjects. For example, a Grade H4 in the higher-level Leaving Certificate Mathematics paper is the minimum entry requirement for most Engineering Degree courses.</p> <p>If you do intend on specialising after leaving school, then you should, almost certainly, choose some relevant subjects for the Leaving Certificate. This applies to science, business and languages. For example, Medicine is a restricted entry course requiring students to sit the Health Professions Admission Test (HPAT).</p>	<p>a) Medicine/Dentistry/Veterinary Courses: <i>Medicine/Dentistry Courses – Trinity College Dublin (TCD)</i> These courses require Grade H3 and H4 in two laboratory sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Physics/Chemistry, Agricultural Science). If you do not have a qualification in Physics, you must present Mathematics at O3/H6 or better. Combinations of subjects not permitted to meet subject requirements: Physics/Chemistry with Physics or Chemistry; Agricultural Science with Biology.</p> <p><i>Medicine/Dentistry Courses - University College Cork (UCC):</i> H4 in Chemistry and H4 in either Physics or Biology.</p> <p><i>Medicine - Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI):</i> Five-year programme: H4 minimum in Chemistry and H4 in either Physics or Biology. Six-year programme: A science subject from the group physics, chemistry and biology, or agricultural science.</p> <p><i>Medicine - University College Dublin (UCD):</i> One laboratory science subject at O6/H7</p> <p><i>Medicine - NUI Galway (NUIG):</i> Five-year Programme: H4 in two of biology, chemistry, physics or agricultural science. Six-year Programme: 1 laboratory science subject chemistry, biology, physics or agricultural science.</p> <p><i>Veterinary Medicine - (UCD):</i> Requires a H5 in chemistry and 15 hours of animal handling.</p> <p><i>Human Nutrition and Dietetics - Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin):</i> Requires a H4 in chemistry</p>	<p>b) Accounting / Business / Economics: These may be helpful but not essential to taking a Business course at third level.</p> <p>c) Languages: <i>Trinity College Dublin:</i> For matriculation purposes TCD requires English and another language - that other language can be Irish for the matriculation requirement.</p> <p><i>TCD Law with a language</i> requires a H4 in the language.</p> <p><i>Dublin City University (DCU):</i> Languages are required at H4 for certain courses such as: Global Business/French/Spanish.</p> <p><i>TU Dublin:</i> Some courses require a language at H4. For example: Languages and International Tourism</p> <p><i>National College of Art and Design (NCAD):</i> English, Irish and a third language or art or DCG are required for matriculation.</p> <p><i>Other Institutes of Technology:</i> Some courses require a language.</p> <p>d) Science: TCD usually requires a H4 in two of: physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics, geography or applied mathematics.</p> <p><i>UCD</i> requires O2/H6 in either physics, chemistry, biology, geography or applied mathematics.</p>
3. Restricted Entry	Restricted entry courses are those which require additional tests, portfolios or interviews in addition to Leaving Certificate Points. These must be applied for by February 1st of Sixth Year.	<p style="text-align: center;">Music</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This is a restricted entry course. There is a music assessment entrance test held prior to entry. It is imperative to check the entry requirements.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Art</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A Portfolio is an essential requirement for Art Courses.</p>	
4. Points	Points are allocated for the applicant's six best grades from one sitting of the Leaving Certificate. These grades must be achieved in one sitting of the Leaving Certificate Examination.	<p style="text-align: center;">Entry to a course that is competitive will be granted to those holding the highest number of points. The number of points required for any course in any year is not pre-set by any college.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The points levels reflect the results of the applicants for that year and the number of available places for that year on that course. Bonus points are awarded for Higher Level Mathematics</p>	

Useful Information

The CAO Points System



Useful Websites

Guidance Section of the St David's website
https://careersportal.ie/careerguidance/office.php?school_id=725

Email Contact:
 Guidance@stdavids.ie

Course Search for Ireland:
 - www.qualifax.ie
 - www.cao.ie
 - www.careersportal.ie
 - www.apprenticeship.ie

A Selection of College Websites:
 TCD: www.tcd.ie
 UCD: www.ucd.ie
 IADT: www.iadt.ie
 TUD: www.tudublin.ie
 NCAD: www.ncad.ie
 DCU: www.dcu.ie
 UL: www.ul.ie
 MU: www.maynoothuniversity.ie

NUIG: www.nuig.ie
 UCC: www.ucc.ie

PLC Courses and Further Education Websites:
www.plccourses.ie
www.fetchcourses.ie

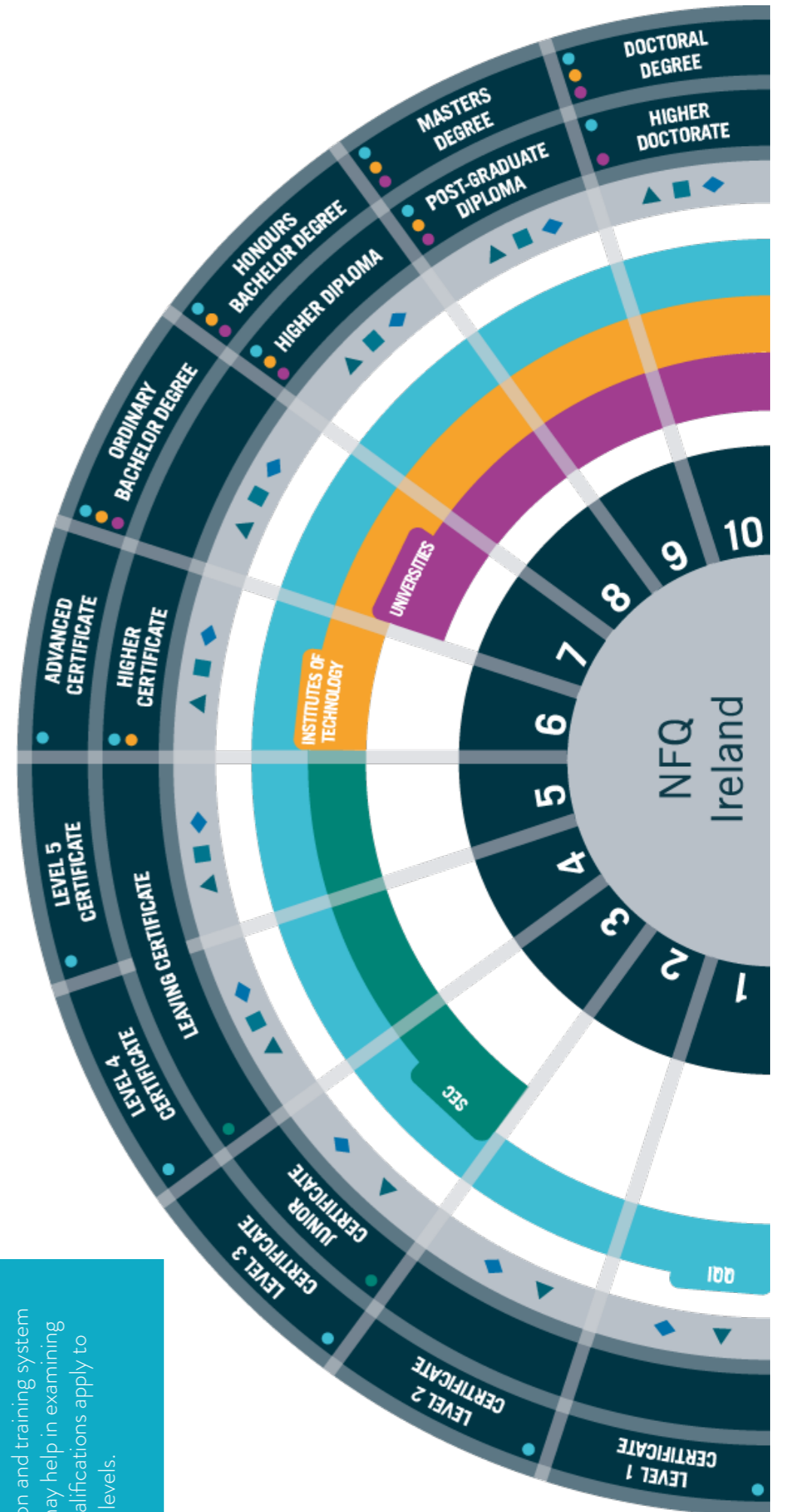
Course Search for the United Kingdom (UK):
www.ucas.com

Course Search for the Netherlands:
info.studielink.nl

Course Search for Europe:
www.eunicas.com

Course Search Worldwide:
www.bachelorsportal.com

Leaving Certificate Examination Past Papers and Marking Schemes:
www.examinations.ie (Examination Material Archive)



National Framework of Qualifications

The following diagram of The Irish National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) is a ten-level system used to describe qualifications in the Irish education and training system which may help in examining what qualifications apply to specific levels.