

# A YEAR WITH A DIFFERENCE

Find the career that is right for you.

Fluent English will open the door to an internationally successful career. Spend a worthwhile 'gap' year studying university subjects through English.

Live and learn in Dublin.

## GRIFFITH COLLEGE DUBLIN

Ireland's leading private university college [WWW.GCD.IE](http://www.gcd.ie)



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# YOUR 'TAILOR-MADE' GAP YEAR

Waste no more time! The choice is yours!

## Courses offered :

- Journalism & Visual Media
- Media Techniques
- Photography
- Fashion Design
- Interior Design
- Interior Architecture
- Leinster School of Music & Drama
- Law
- Business & Law
- Business
- Marketing
- Accounting & Finance
- International Hotel Management
- Computer Science

We are flexible in our approach. Should you need to return to your country to take an exam or for some other reason we will be happy to accommodate your request but ask that you please inform us before your arrival in Ireland.

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# IRELAND

Situated in the North West of Europe, this small country of just over four and a half million inhabitants has a remarkable standing in the world. The Irish are renowned for their friendliness and their tradition of hospitality.

They have also gained a reputation for academic excellence. Education and the skills of communication have always been highly valued and Ireland has produced many famous writers such as Jonathan Swift, Oscar Wilde and James Joyce. Ireland genuinely welcomes visitors from all over the world, and provides an ideal environment for English language learning.

Ireland has undergone rapid industrial and economic development over the past thirty years but without losing its own distinctive identity or its strong sense of traditional values. Visitors marvel at the striking landscapes, the green unspoilt countryside, clean beaches and magnificent coastline.

## DUBLIN AND ITS ENVIRONS

Dublin is a lively, friendly and safe city with its vibrant student life by day and night. There are art galleries, zoological gardens, museums, theatres, cinemas, restaurants, night clubs and pubs with traditional music – most of these easily accessible from Griffith College – all contributing to the renowned ambiance of this cosmopolitan, dynamic city with its long tradition of learning and culture. Few capital cities enjoy such a beautiful setting: the sweep of Dublin Bay from Howth to Killiney and the Wicklow Mountains to the south are within easy reach of the city centre and offer wonderful leisure opportunities. Breathtaking landscapes and hidden corners await the explorer.

## STUDYING AT GRIFFITH COLLEGE

For those needing to perfect their English, and possibly unsure of their career path, Griffith College has introduced an innovative one year (or one semester) programme. It allows the students to gain in independence, to sample different subjects, all the while broadening and deepening their English and widening their cultural horizons. Students completing such a year will be more confident and better prepared to make their choice of career on their return to their native country. Alternatively, a student may choose to continue his or her studies at Griffith College or in another English speaking country.

There are numerous options from which to choose, all within the college faculties:

Journalism & Visual Media; Law; Business; Marketing; Accounting & Finance; Computer Science; International Hospitality Management; Interior Design; Interior Architecture, Fashion Design and Photography. The Leinster School of Music & Drama also offers courses.

We strongly recommend this programme for a worthwhile and productive transition/ gap year following completion of second level education. It would also be ideal for students who have completed a third level diploma or certificate and who are seeking re-orientation in their career.



# STUDY PROGRAMMES (one academic year/one semester)

## INCLUDED:

- Griffith College diploma upon completion of course
- Airport Pickup
- Welcome pack containing information on the college and Dublin

N.B. It is possible for the students to take international English language examinations (TOEIC, IELTS, TOEFL and Cambridge) in an approved centre.

- Free English language support classes

For students who have not reached the required entry level of English, Griffith College offers free language lessons in the period preceding the start of the academic year.

## Option 1 - Combined course

Choose up to six first year subjects across any of the faculties (subject to timetabling)

## Option 2 - Full first year degree/diploma programme

Choose to study any first year degree or diploma programme (all subjects compulsory). On successful completion of this year, the student may continue on to the second year of this degree/diploma programme. In the case of a one year diploma programme the student is awarded that diploma.

## Option 3 - General or Business English Lessons + 2 subjects from the first year degree/diploma programmes

# FACULTIES

## Law - For more information: [www.gcd.ie/law](http://www.gcd.ie/law)

### LLB in Irish Law (3 years)

#### Year 1 (\* Linear programme)

- Introduction to the Legal System
- Legal Writing, Research and Communications
- Law of Torts
- Law of Contract
- Constitutional Law

### BA degree in Business and Law (3 years)

#### Year 1 (\* Linear programme)

- Business Economics
- Law of Contract
- Introduction to the Legal System
- Financial Accounting
- Information Systems
- Quantitative Methods
- Constitutional Law



**BA in Marketing (3 years)**

**Year 1 (\* Linear programme)**

- Accounting
- Business Communications & IT
- Economics
- Marketing
- Management and Organisations
- Business Project

**BA (Hons) in Business Studies (3 years) /  
BA (Hons) in Accounting and Finance (3 years)**

**Semester 1 & 2 modules**

**Year 1**

- Business Communications
- Information Technology
- Business Economics
- Financial Accounting 1
- Organisational Management
- Business Mathematics and Statistics
- Applied Business Law
- Principles of Marketing
- Financial Accounting 2
- Integrated Business Project

**BA (Hons) in International Hospitality  
Management (3 years)**

**Year 1**

**Semester 1 & 2 modules**

- Principles of Hospitality Operations
- Information Technology
- Quantitative Methods
- Organisational Behaviour
- Financial Accounting
- Economics
- Principles of Marketing
- Business Law
- Business Communications
- Introduction to Hospitality Management

**BA (Hons) in Interior Architecture (4 years) /  
BA in Interior Design (3 years)**

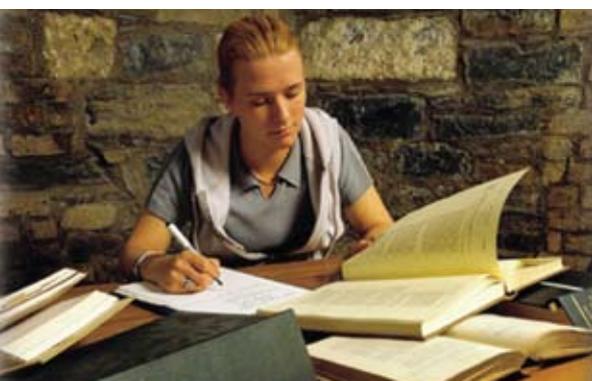
**Year 1 (\* Linear programme)**

- Studio
- Analytical Drawing
- Architectural Drawing
- History of Design
- Computer Studies
- Building Technology
- Design Principles

**BA (Hons) Fashion Design (3 years)**

**Year 1 (\* Linear programme)**

- Fashion Design
- Drawing
  - Analytical Drawing
  - Fashion Drawing
  - Digital Drawing
- Technology
  - Textile Drawing
- Cultural Studies
  - History of Costume
  - History of Modern Art & Design
  - Italian
- Professional Practice
  - Fashion Business



### **Diploma in Interior Design (2 years)**

#### **Year 1 (\* Linear programme)**

- Project Work - Visual Studies
- Architectural Drawing
- Analytical Drawing
- Cultural Studies
- Computer Studies
- Communications

## **Journalism and Media Communications - For more information: [www.gcd.ie/media](http://www.gcd.ie/media)**

### **BA (Hons) in Journalism and Visual Media (3 years)**

#### **Year 1**

#### **Semester 1 & 2 modules**

- Understanding Society
- History of the Media
- Media Studies
- Research Methods
- Writing and Presentation Skills
- Productivity Software

### **BA in Journalism (3 years)**

#### **Year 1**

#### **Semester 1 & 2 modules**

- Social Studies
- Print Journalism
- History of the Media
- Photography
- Writing and Public Presentation Skills
- English Literature
- Productivity Software
- *Introduction to Radio*

### **BA in Photographic Media Course Content (3 years) / Diploma in Photography (1 year)**

#### **Year 1 (\* Linear programme)**

- Photographic Techniques
- Practical Photography
- Ways of Seeing
- Research & Writing Skills
- Applied Photography
- Photographic Theory
- Digital Photography
- History of Art and Photography

### **Diploma in Media Techniques (1 year)**

#### **Semester 1**

- Research and Recording Information
- Media Law/Health and Safety
- Video Production Techniques
- Television Studies
- Media and Information Technology
- Practical Photography
- Digital Editing Techniques

#### **Semester 2**

- Film History
- Project Development / Direction
- Video Production Techniques
- Digital Editing Techniques
- Assorted Industry Lectures
- TV Studio Production / Set Design

**BSc (Hons) in Computing Science (4 years) / BSc in Computing Science (3 years)**

**Year 1 (\*Linear programme)**

- Computer Programming
- Computer Hardware
- Systems Software
- Foundations of Computing
- IT in Society
- Business Information Systems

**(These subjects do not carry ECTS credits.)**

**Drama & Communication**

- Speech & Drama
- Public Speaking
- Effective Communication
- Choral Verse Speaking
- Solo Acting
- Duologues
- Group Drama

**Music**

- Guitar
- Piano
- Piano Additional Pieces
- Singing
- Singing Syllabus – Additional Pieces
- Violin
- Flute
- Clarinet
- Recorder
- Theory of Music

**\* Linear programmes**

Students who wish to spend one semester on a linear programme can only participate in the autumn semester that is from September – January.



## **LIBRARY**

Independent learning and study are an integral part of all our programmes and our library carries a wide range of publications along with video and audio tapes. The library staff will be happy to assist the student in the selection of materials which can be used in the quiet of our dedicated study rooms.

## **MULTIMEDIA CENTRE**

Our multimedia centre carries a wide range of educational software. Parts of the curriculum include sessions in the multimedia centre and it may also be used for independent learning outside class time.

## **ON CAMPUS FACILITIES AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

On-campus facilities include on-campus accommodation, state of the art conference centre, computer laboratories, student union (including common room, snooker tables, ping pong, TV), bar and restaurant, college gym, video and film editing rooms, two radio stations and several photographic dark rooms. The college offers numerous extra-curricular activities, clubs and associations among which the Students' Union is most active in organising events

## **CLUBS**

International Society, Chinese, Debating, Film Society, Gym instruction, Live Music Society, Political Societies, Toastmasters, Paintball, Chess, Hip-Hop, Drama, Poker, Pool, Scuba & Surfing, Art & Design, and many more...

## **SPORTS**

Athletics, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cricket, International Soccer, Gaelic Football, Rugby, Darts, Ultimate Frisbee, Golf, Tae Kwon Do, Swimming, Sailing, Hockey, Hurley and more...

## **MUSIC**

The university college is home to the oldest music school in Ireland, the Leinster School of Music. The orchestra and choir of the school give regular recitals and new members are always welcome.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

Griffith College offers on-campus accommodation of a high standard in the 'Halls of Residence'. Students have self-contained apartments, shared or single bedrooms with bathrooms, and fully fitted kitchens. There is unlimited broadband access, cable television, underground parking and permanent caretaking.

**For further information: [www.gcd-accommodation.ie](http://www.gcd-accommodation.ie)**

## **WHY CHOOSE GRIFFITH COLLEGE?**

- International and national award winning faculties
- Close links with Industry and Business
- Degrees validated by H.E.T.A.C. (Irish Government), recognised in Europe (Bologna Agreement) and through out the world
- Large campus in the heart of one of Europe's vibrant capitals
- State of the art conference centre, equipment and facilities
- Excellent staff/student ratio and rapport

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Any recognised second level qualification from any European country including the International Baccalaureate. If you have not yet taken your exam, please send us your projected results verified by your school. We will require a copy of your certificate when available.

# How to get to Ireland

There are direct flights to Dublin airport from most European capitals. Budget airlines such as Ryanair also fly into Dublin from many smaller European airports. There are ferries from the U.K. and from France.



## Griffith College Campus



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