

OVERVIEW



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Who would benefit most?

- Students who are not adequately catered for by other Leaving Certificate programmes
- Students who choose not to opt for those programmes

Rationale

- Prepares students for adult and working life
- Recognises talents of all pupils
- Promotes communication and decision making skills
- Applies knowledge and skills to the solution of real problems

Assessment

3 Modes

Satisfactory completion of Modules	62 credits (31%)
7 Student tasks	70 credits (35%)
Final examinations	68 credits (34%)
Total	200 credits (100%)

Certificate awarded at three levels:

Pass	60-69 %	(120 - 139 credits)
Merit	(70-84 %)	(140 - 169 credits)
Distinction	(85-100 %)	(170 - 200 credits)

Student Tasks

- Seven Student Tasks to be completed over the 2 years.
- 1 Task in Session 1 Year 1
- 2 Tasks in Session 2 Year 1
- 3 Tasks in Session 3 Year 2
- Personal Reflection Task to be completed over the two years.

When are Tasks completed?

- General Ed Task Year 1 Session 1
- Vocational Prep Task & Vocational Ed Task Year 1 Session 2
- Vocational Ed Task, Contemporary Issue Task & Practical Achievement Task Year 2 Session 3
- Personal Reflection Task-Year 1 Statement Year 1 Session 2. Year 2 statement in Year 2 Session 4.

Who accepts Leaving Certificate Applied?

- Most Post Leaving Certificate Courses
- FAS courses
- Gardai (Merit)
- Army
- ESB, CIE apprenticeships
- Teagasc courses (Gurteen Ag College)



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Leaving Certificate Applied and the Local Community



Learning in Leaving Certificate Applied involves students in many out-of-school activities including:

- Work Experience
- Enterprise
- Visits outside school
- Investigations in the community
- Working with community groups
- Outings e.g. outdoor education etc.
- Interviews
- Surveys
- Visitors etc.

Subjects

Vocational Specialism

- Agriculture/Horticulture
- Hotel Catering and Tourism

Elective

- Graphics and Construction
- Science

Examinations

- English and Communication
- Two Specialisms (Ag Hort, HCT)
- Mathematics
- Languages (Irish and Modern Language)
- Social Education

Work Experience

- Is a compulsory element of the LCA programme.
- Every Wednesday of term time over 5th and 6th year

Attendance

- 90% attendance in all classes is required in order for student to get credits
- Vital for student to avail of the support offered by teachers to be in class.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. Express interest and return form to CG dept
- 2. Secure Work Experience Placements
- 3. Complete all relevant forms and return
- 4. Pay LCA Fund fee