



STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

**S.I. No. 187 of 2012**



STUDENT SUPPORT REGULATIONS 2012

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I, RUAIRI QUINN, Minister for Education and Skills, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 4, 7, 8 and 14 of the Student Support Act 2011 (No. 4 of 2011), having consulted with the Higher Education Authority, and with the consent of the Minister for Finance, hereby make the following Regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Student Support Regulations 2012.

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on 5 June 2012.

*Interpretation*

2. (1) In these Regulations—

"Act" means the Student Support Act 2011 (No. 4 of 2011);

"framework of qualifications" means the framework of qualifications established and maintained pursuant to section 7 of the Qualifications (Education and Training) Act 1999 (No. 26 of 1999);

"postgraduate course" is a course leading to a major higher education and training award at Level 8 (Higher Diploma), Level 9 (Postgraduate Diploma, Masters Degree), Level 10 (Doctoral Degree) in the framework of qualifications, or equivalent awards;

"prior scheme" means the Higher Education Grants (HEG) Scheme made pursuant to the Local Authorities (Higher Education Grants) Acts 1968 to 1992 or the schemes administered by a Vocational Education Committee, namely the Vocational Education Committees (VEC) Scholarship Scheme, the Third Level Maintenance Grants Scheme for Trainees (TLT) and the Maintenance Grants Scheme for Students attending Post-Leaving Certificate (PLC) courses;

"undergraduate course" means a course leading to a major higher education and training award at Level 6 (Higher Certificate), Level 7 (Ordinary Bachelor Degree), Level 8 (Honours Bachelor Degree) in the framework of qualifications, or equivalent awards, other than a course known for the time being as a post-leaving certificate course.

(2) A word or expression which is used in these Regulations and which is also used in the Act has, unless the context otherwise requires, the same meaning in these Regulations as it has in the Act.

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in  
"Iris Oifigiúil" of 8th June, 2012.*

- (3) (a) A reference in these Regulations to a Regulation is to a Regulation of these Regulations, unless it is indicated that reference to some other Regulations is intended.
- (b) A reference in these Regulations to a paragraph or subparagraph is to the paragraph or subparagraph of the provision in which the reference occurs, unless it is indicated that reference to some other provision is intended.
- (c) A reference in these Regulations to a Schedule is to a Schedule to these Regulations, unless it is indicated that reference to some other Regulations is intended.

*Approved institutions*

3. (1) The institutions listed in Schedule 1 are "approved institutions" under section 7(1)(a) to (d) of the Act.

(2) The institutions listed in Schedule 2 are prescribed as "approved institutions" for the purposes of section 7(1)(f) and (2) of the Act.

*Approved courses*

4. The following courses are prescribed as "approved courses" for the purposes of section 8(1)(c) of the Act—

- (a) full-time courses, known as "post-leaving certificate courses"—
  - (i) that take not less than one year to complete;
  - (ii) that are provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(d) of the Act and listed in Part D of Schedule 1;
  - (iii) that are approved for funding by the Minister as post-leaving certificate courses; and
  - (iv) on the successful completion of which, a student is awarded a major education and training award which is a recognised qualification that is not at a lower level than Level 5 in the framework of qualifications;
- (b) the following full-time undergraduate courses, on the successful completion of which a student is awarded a major higher education and training award which is a recognised qualification pursuant to the framework of qualifications—
  - (i) a course that takes not less than two years to complete and is provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(a), (b) or (c) of the Act and is listed in Part A, B or C of Schedule 1;

- (ii) a course at Level 6 in the framework of qualifications that takes one year to complete and is provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(b) or (c) of the Act and is listed in Part B or C of Schedule 1;
- (iii) a course that takes not less than two years to complete and is provided by an approved institution listed in Part A of Schedule 2;
- (iv) a course that takes not less than two years to complete and is listed in Part B of Schedule 2, along with the approved institution providing it;
- (v) a course, known for the time being as an "add-on course", that is provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(a), (b) or (c) of the Act and is listed in Part A, B or C of Schedule 1 and that takes—
  - (I) one year to complete and allows persons to progress to an undergraduate course leading to a qualification at Level 7 in the framework of qualifications, or
  - (II) a minimum of one year to complete and allows persons to progress to an undergraduate course leading to a qualification at Level 8 in the framework of qualifications;
- (vi) a course, known for the time being as an "add-on course", that is provided by an approved institution listed in Part A of Schedule 2 and that takes—
  - (I) one year to complete and allows persons to progress to an undergraduate course leading to a qualification at Level 7 in the framework of qualifications, or
  - (II) a minimum of one year to complete and allows persons to progress to an undergraduate course leading to a qualification at Level 8 in the framework of qualifications;
- (vii) a course, known for the time being as an "add-on course", that is listed in Part B of Schedule 2, along with the approved institution providing it, and that takes—
  - (I) one year to complete and allows persons to progress to an undergraduate course leading to a qualification at Level 7 in the framework of qualifications, or
  - (II) a minimum of one year to complete and allows persons to progress to an undergraduate course leading to a qualification at Level 8 in the framework of qualifications;

- (viii) a course, known for the time being as an "accelerated technician programme", that takes eighteen months to complete and is provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(b) of the Act and listed in Part B of Schedule 1;
- (c) a full-time undergraduate course that—
  - (i) takes not less than 2 years to complete;
  - (ii) is provided by an approved institution in a Member State other than the State that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(e) of the Act; and
  - (iii) leads to a major higher education and training qualification that is recognised—
    - (I) in a manner, provided for by the laws of the Member State, that corresponds to the arrangements, procedures and systems of the framework of qualifications, or
    - (II) otherwise in accordance with the laws of the Member State.
- (d) the following full-time postgraduate courses in the State, on the successful completion of which a student is awarded a major higher education and training award which is a recognised qualification pursuant to the framework of qualifications—
  - (i) a course that takes not less than one year to complete and is provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(a), (b) or (c) of the Act and listed in Part A, B or C of Schedule 1;
  - (ii) a course that takes not less than one year to complete and is provided by an approved institution listed in Part A of Schedule 2;
  - (iii) a course that takes not less than one year to complete and is listed in Part B of Schedule 2, along with the approved institution providing it;
- (e) a full-time postgraduate course that—
  - (i) takes not less than one year to complete;
  - (ii) is provided by an approved institution that comes within the terms of section 7(1)(e) of the Act and is situated in Northern Ireland;
  - (iii) is listed in Schedule 3; and
  - (iv) leads to a major higher education and training qualification that is recognised—

- (I) in a manner, provided for by the laws of Northern Ireland, that corresponds to the arrangements, procedures and systems of the framework of qualifications, or
  - (II) otherwise in accordance with the laws of Northern Ireland; and
- (f) a course approved under this paragraph which was a course approved under a prior scheme for the 2010/11 academic year shall be taken to be a course, on the successful completion of which a student is awarded a recognised qualification within the meaning of paragraph 4(a)(iv), (b) and (d).

*Prescribed students*

5. (1) The following family members are prescribed as "students", for the purposes of section 14(1)(d) of the Act—

- (a) a person who is a family member of a person referred to in section 14(1)(a) of the Act and has permission to remain in the State as a family member of such person under the provisions of the European Communities (Free Movement of Persons Regulations) 2006 and 2008 and Directive 2004/38/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004; and
- (b) a person who has permission to remain in the State—
  - (i) by virtue of marriage to, or a civil partnership with, an Irish national residing in the State, or
  - (ii) as a dependent child of a person coming within clause (i);

(2) The following classes of persons are prescribed as "students" for the purposes of section 14(1)(e)(ii) of the Act—

- (a) a person who has been granted humanitarian leave to remain in the State prior to the coming into operation of the Immigration Act 1999 (No. 22 of 1999); and
- (b) a person in respect of whom the Minister for Justice and Equality has granted permission to remain following a determination not to make a deportation order under section 3 of the Immigration Act 1999 (No. 22 of 1999).

## Schedule 1

## APPROVED INSTITUTIONS

## PART A

National University of Ireland, Dublin  
 National University of Ireland, Cork  
 National University of Ireland, Galway  
 National University of Ireland, Maynooth  
 Trinity College Dublin  
 Dublin City University  
 University of Limerick

## PART B

Athlone Institute of Technology  
 Institute of Technology, Blanchardstown  
 Institute of Technology, Carlow  
 Cork Institute of Technology  
 Dundalk Institute of Technology  
 Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology  
 Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology  
 Letterkenny Institute of Technology  
 Limerick Institute of Technology  
 Institute of Technology, Sligo  
 Institute of Technology, Tallaght  
 Institute of Technology, Tralee  
 Waterford Institute of Technology

## PART C

Dublin Institute of Technology

## PART D

**PLC School Name**

Colaiste Eoin, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow  
 Community School, Tullow, Co. Carlow  
 Muinebheag Vocational School, Co. Carlow  
 Vocational School, Carlow, Co. Carlow

Cavan College of Further Studies, Main St, Cavan

Community School, Kilrush, Co. Clare  
 Ennis Community College, Harmony Row, Ennis, Co. Clare  
 Mary Immaculate Secondary School, Lisdoonvarna, Co. Clare  
 St. John Bosco's Community College, Cahercon, Kildysart, Co. Clare  
 St. Joseph's Secondary School, Spanish Point, Co. Clare  
 St. Patrick's Comprehensive School, Shannon, Co. Clare  
 Vocational School, Ennistymon, Co. Clare

Coláiste on Chraóibhin, Fermoy, Co. Cork  
 Coláiste Pobail Bheanntraí, Bantry, Co Cork  
 Coláiste Stiofain Naofa, Tramore Road, Cork  
 Community College, Carrignafoy, Cobh, Co. Cork  
 Community College, Clonakilty, Co. Cork  
 Cork College of Commerce, Morrison's Island, Cork  
 Davis College, Annabella, Mallow, Co. Cork  
 Further Education Centre, Bandon Rd, Kinsale, Co. Cork  
 Kinsale Community School, Kinsale, Co. Cork  
 Mannix College, Charleville, Co. Cork  
 Maria Immaculate Community College, Dunmanway, Co Cork  
 McEgan College, Macroom, Co. Cork  
 Nagle Community College, Mahon, Blackrock, Cork  
 Rossa College, Skibbereen, Co. Cork  
 Schull Community College, Schull, Co. Cork  
 St John's Central College, Sawmill St, Cork  
 St. Colman's Community College, Middleton, Co. Cork  
 St. Fanahan's College, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork  
 St. Brogan's College, Bandon, Co. Cork  
 Terence McSwiney Community College, Knocknaheeny, Cork

Abbey Vocational School, Donegal Town, Co. Donegal  
 Errigal College, Windyhall, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal  
 Magh Ene College, Bundoran, Co. Donegal  
 St. Catherine's Vocational School, Killybegs, Co. Donegal  
 Vocational School (Finn Valley College), Stranorlar, Co. Donegal

Ballsbridge College of Further Education, Shelbourne Rd, Dublin 4  
 Ballyfermot College of Further Education, Ballyfermot Rd, Dublin 10  
 Coláiste Dhulaigh, Clonsaugh Road, Coolock, Dublin 17  
 Coláiste Eanna, Cabra, Dublin 7  
 Coláiste Ide, College of Further Studies, Cardiffsbridge Road, Finglas, Dublin 11  
 College of Further Education, Main St. Dundrum, Dublin 14  
 Collinstown Park Community College, Rowlagh, Clondalkin, Dublin 22  
 Community School, Cabinteely, Dublin 18  
 Community School, The Donaghies, Streamville Rd, Dublin 13  
 Crumlin College of Further Studies, Crumlin Rd, Dublin 12  
 Deansrath Community College, New Nangor Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22  
 Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland St., Co. Dublin  
 Grange Community College, Grange Rd, Donaghmede, Dublin 13  
 Greenhills College, Limekiln Avenue, Greenhills, Dublin 12  
 Inchicore College of Further Studies, Emmet Road, Dublin 8  
 Killester College, Collins Ave East, Dublin 5  
 Kylemore College, Kylemore Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10  
 Liberties College, Bull Alley St. Liberties, Dublin 8  
 Marino College, 14 – 20 Marin Mart, Fairview, Dublin 3  
 Mount Seskin Community College, Jobstown, Tallaght, Dublin 24  
 Pearse College, Clogher Rd, Crumlin, Dublin 12  
 Plunkett College, Swords Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9

Rathmines College of Further Education, Town Hall, Dublin 6  
 Ringsend Technical Institute, Cambridge Rd, Ringsend, Dublin 4  
 Sallynoggin College of Further Education, Pearse St, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin  
 Senior College, Eblana Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin  
 St Kevin's Community College, Fonthill Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22  
 St. Aidan's Community School, Brookfield, Tallaght, Dublin 24  
 St. Kevin's College, Clogher Rd, Crumlin, Dublin 12  
 St. Mark's Community School, Fortunestown Lane, Tallaght, Dublin 20  
 St. Mary's College of Deaf Education, Dominican Convent, Cabra, Dublin 7  
 St. Tiernan's Community School, Parkvale, Sandyford, Dublin 16  
 Stillorgan College of Further Education, Old Dublin Rd, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin  
 Whitehall College of Further Education, Swords Rd, Dublin 9

Archbishop McHale College, Tuam, Co. Galway  
 Clifden Community School, Clifden, Co. Galway  
 Coláiste an Chreagáin, Mountbellew, Co Galway  
 Coláiste Mhuire, Ballygar, Co Galway  
 Community College, Moneenageisha, Galway  
 Community School, Dunmore, Co. Galway  
 Galway Technical Institute, Fr. Griffin Rd, The Claddagh, Galway  
 Glenamaddy Community School, Co. Galway  
 Mean Scoil Mhuire, Newtownsmith, Galway  
 Scoil Phobail Mhic Dara, Carna, Co. Galway  
 St Cuan's College, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe, Co Galway  
 St. Brigid's Vocational School, Loughrea, Co. Galway  
 St. Killian's Vocational School, New Inn, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway  
 Vocational School, Athenry, Co. Galway

Causeway Comprehensive School, Causeway, Co. Kerry  
 Coláiste na Sceilge, Caherciveen, Co. Kerry  
 Community College, Killorglin, Co. Kerry  
 Community College, Listowel, Co. Kerry  
 Killarney Community College, Killarney, Co. Kerry  
 St Joseph's Secondary School, Ballybunion, Co Kerry  
 Tralee Community College, Clash, Tralee, Co. Kerry

Confey College, Riverforest, Leixlip, Naas, Co. Kildare  
 Curragh Post Primary School, Curragh Camp, Co. Kildare  
 Piper's Hill College, Kilashee, Naas, Co. Kildare  
 St. Brigid's Post Primary School, Carlow Rd, Athy, Co. Kildare  
 St. Conleth's Community College, Station Rd, Newbridge, Co.Kildare.  
 St. Farnan's Post Primary School, Prosperous, Co. Kildare

Coláiste Cois Súire, Mooncoin, Co. Kilkenny  
 Coláiste Mhuire, Johnston, Via Thurles, Co. Kilkenny  
 Community School, Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny  
 Duiske College, Graighnamanagh, Co. Kilkenny  
 Grennan College, Ladywell St, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny

Kilkenny City Vocational School, New Street, Kilkenny  
Scoil Aireagail, Ballyhale, Co. Kilkenny

Further Education Centre, Mountrath Rd, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois  
Mountmellick Further Education Centre, Harbour St., Mountmellick, Co. Laois  
Portlaoise Vocational School & Senior College, Portlaoise, Co. Laois

Carrigallen Vocational School, Carrigallen, Co. Leitrim  
Drumshanbo Vocational School, Co. Leitrim  
Lough Allen, Drumkeerin, Co. Leitrim

Coláiste Chiarain, Croom, Co. Limerick  
Coláiste Iosaef, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick  
Coláiste Mhuire, Askeaton, Co. Limerick  
Community College, Dromcollogher, Rathluirc, Co. Limerick  
Desmond College, Vocational School, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick  
Limerick College of Further Education, Mulgrave St., Limerick  
Presentation Secondary School, Convent of Mercy, Sexton St., Limerick  
St. Michael's Community College, Cappamore, Co. Limerick

Ardcoil Phádraig, Longford Road, Granard, Co. Longford  
Community College, Lanesboro, Co. Longford  
Temple Michael College, Templemichael, Longford

Drogheda Institute of Further Education, The Twenties, Drogheda, Co. Louth  
O'Fiach College, Dublin Rd, Dundalk, Co. Louth

Ballyhaunis Community School, Knock Road, Ballyhaunis, Co Mayo  
Carrowbeg College, Westport, Co. Mayo  
Castlebar College of Further Studies, Newtown, Castlebar, Co. Mayo  
Coláiste Chomáin, Ros Dumach, Béal an Átha, Co. Mhaigh Eo  
Coláiste Pobail Acla, Achill Sound, Westport, Co Mayo  
Moyné College, Ballina, Co. Mayo  
Our Lady's Secondary School, Belmullet, Co. Mayo  
Sacred Heart School, Westport, Co. Mayo  
Sancta Maria College, Louisburgh, Co. Mayo  
Scoil Muire & Padraig, Swinford, Co. Mayo  
St Louis Comm School, Kiltimagh, Co Mayo  
St. Brendan's College, Belmullet, Co. Mayo  
St. Tiernan's College, Crossmolina, Co. Mayo  
Vocational School, Westport, Co. Mayo

Beaufort College, Trim Road, Navan, Co Meath  
Boyne Community School, Trim, Co. Meath  
St. Oliver's Post Primary School, Oldcastle, Co. Meath  
St. Peter's College, Dunboyne, Co. Meath

Monaghan Institute of Further Education & Training, Armagh Road,  
Co. Monaghan

Banagher Community College, Colaiste na Sionna, Banagher, Co. Offaly  
 Coláiste Naomh Cormac, Kilcormac, Co. Offaly  
 Oaklands Community College, Sr. Senan Ave., Edenderry, Co. Offaly  
 Tullamore College, Riverside, Tullamore, Co. Offaly

Abbey Community College, Boyle, Co. Roscommon  
 Castlerea Community School, Castlerea, Co. Roscommon  
 Vocational School, Lisnamult, Roscommon

Ballinode College, Ballinode, Sligo  
 Corran College, Ballymote, Co. Sligo  
 Jesus & Mary Secondary School, Enniscrone, Co. Sligo  
 Mercy College, Chapel Hill, Sligo  
 North Connaught College, Tubbercurry, Co. Sligo

Central Technical Institute, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary  
 Coláiste Dún Iascaigh, Cashel Rd, Cahir, Co. Tipperary  
 Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré, Corville Road, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary  
 Gairm Scoil Mhuire, Castlemeadows, Thurles, Co. Tipperary  
 Scoil Ruain, Killenuale, Co. Tipperary  
 St. Ailbe's School, Tipperary Town  
 St. Joseph's College, Borrisoleigh, Thurles, Co. Tipperary  
 St. Joseph's College, Newport, Co. Tipperary  
 St. Sheelan's College, Templemore, Co. Tipperary  
 Vocational School, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary

Coláiste Chathail Naofa, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford  
 Scoil Na Bráithre, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford  
 St. Paul's Community College, Brown's Road, Waterford City  
 Waterford College of Further Education, Parnell Street, Waterford

Castlepollard Community College, Co. Westmeath  
 Columba College, Killucan, Co. Westmeath  
 Community College, Retreat Rd, Athlone, Co. Westmeath  
 Moate Business College, Moate, Co. Westmeath  
 Mullingar Community College, Millmount Road, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath  
 St. Joseph's College, Summerhill, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Bunclody Vocational College, Irish Street, Co. Wexford  
 Coláiste Abbain, Adamstown, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford  
 Coláiste an Atha, Kilmuckridge, Co. Wexford  
 Enniscorthy Vocational College, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford  
 Gorey Community School, Gorey, Co. Wexford  
 Ramsgrange Community School, Ramsgrange, New Ross, Co. Wexford  
 Vocational College, Bridgetown, Co. Wexford  
 Vocational College, New Ross, Co. Wexford  
 Wexford Vocational School, Westgate, Wexford

Arklow Community College, Arklow, Co. Wicklow

Bray Inst of Further Education, Novara Ave, Bray, Co. Wicklow

Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, Arklow, Co. Wicklow

Scoil Chonglais, Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow

St. Kevin's Community College, Dunlavin, Co. Wicklow

## Schedule 2

## APPROVED INSTITUTIONS AND COURSES

## PART A

National College of Art & Design, Dublin  
 National College of Ireland, Dublin  
 Church of Ireland College of Education, Dublin  
 Coláiste Mhuire, Marino, Dublin  
 Mary Immaculate College, Limerick  
 St. Angela's College, Lough Gill, Sligo  
 St. Patrick's College of Education, Drumcondra, Dublin  
 Froebel College of Education, Sion Hill, Dublin

## PART B

**Pontifical University of Maynooth**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- Hons. Bachelor Degree in Theology [3 years]
- Hons. Bachelor Degree in Theology and Arts [3 years]
- Hons. Bachelor Degree in Theology & Arts International [4 years]

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- Postgraduate Diploma in Christian Communication & Development [1 year]
- MA Degree in Theology [2 years]
- Doctoral Degree of PhD in Theology [3 years]

**Shannon College of Hotel Management**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- BComm (Hons) combined with NUI Diploma in International Hotel Management [4 years]
- B.B.S. (Hons.) in International Hotel Management [4 years]

**St Patrick's College, Thurles**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- BA (Hons) in Education, Business Studies & Religious Studies Programme [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in Education, Irish & Religious Studies [4 years]

**Mater Dei Institute of Education**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- Bachelor of Religious Education [4 years]
- BA in Irish Studies & Religious Studies [3 years]

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies [1 year]
- MA in Chaplaincy Studies & Pastoral Work [1 year]
- MA in Healthcare Chaplaincy [2 years]

- MA in Theology [1 year]
- MA in Poetry Studies [1 year]
- MA in Religion & Education [1 year]
- MA in Religious Education (Primary) [1 year]
- MA Education (Research) [2 years]
- MA English (Research) [2 years]
- MA History (Research) [2 years]
- MA Irish Studies (Research) [2 years]
- MA Music (Research) [2 years]
- MA Religious Education (Research) [2 years]
- MA Philosophy (Research) [2 years]
- MA Theology (Research) [2 years]
- PhD Education (Research) [3 years]
- PhD English (Research) [3 years]
- PhD History (Research) [3 years]
- PhD Irish Studies (Research) [3 years]
- PhD Music (Research) [3 years]
- PhD Religious Education (Research) [3 years]
- PhD Philosophy (Research) [3 years]
- PhD Theology (Research) [3 years]

### **All Hallows College, Drumcondra**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- BA (Hons) in Theology & Philosophy [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in Theology & Psychology [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in Theology & English Literature [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in Personal and Professional Development [3 years]

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- MA in Leadership and Pastoral Care [1 year]
- MA in Supervisory Practice [1 year]
- Master of Arts in Humanities (Research) [2 years]
- MA in Management: Community and Voluntary Services [1 year]
- MA in Christian Spirituality [1 year]
- MA in Applied Christian Spirituality [1 year]
- PhD in Humanities by Research [3 years]

### **Carlow College (St. Patrick's)**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- BA (Ordinary) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care [3 years]
- BA (Ordinary) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care [1 year add-on]
- BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care [1 year add-on]
- BA (Ordinary) in Humanities {Philosophy, Theology and Arts} [3 years]
- BA (Hons) in Humanities {Philosophy, Theology and Arts} [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in Citizenship and Community Studies [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in English and History [4 years]
- BA (Hons) in Theology [3 years]

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- MA English by Research [2 years]
- MA Philosophy by Research [2 years]
- MA History by Research [2 years]
- MA Religion/Theology by Research [2 years]

### **Milltown Institute of Theology and Philosophy, Dublin**

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- MA by Research [2 years]
- MA in Biblical Studies [2 years]
- PhD by Research [4 years]
- Doctor of Ministry [4 years]

### **Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- NUI Degree of MB(Hons), BCH, BAO, LRCP, SI [5 years]
- NUI Degree of MB (Hons), BCH, BAO, LRCP, SI [6 years]
- NUI Degree BSc (Hons) in Pharmacy [4 years]
- BSc in Physiotherapy (NUI Award) [4 years]

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- NUI Postgraduate PhD [3 years]
- NUI Postgraduate MD [2 years]
- NUI Postgraduate MSc [1 year]

### **Kimmage Development Studies Centre**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- BA in Development Studies [2 years]

In respect of the following postgraduate courses:

- Postgraduate Diploma in Development Studies [1 year]
- MA in Development Studies [1 year]

### **Montessori College, (A.M.I.) Milltown**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- Montessori Teaching Diploma
  - Part 1: Early Childhood (3 to 6 year olds) [Year 1 and 2]
  - Part 2: Primary (6 to 12 year olds) [Year 3]

### **St. Nicholas Montessori College**

In respect of the following undergraduate courses:

- BA in Montessori Education [3 years]
- BA (Hons) in Montessori Education [1 year]

In respect of the following postgraduate course:

- Higher Diploma in Arts in Early Childhood Montessori Education [1year]

**The Honorable Society of Kings Inns**

In respect of the following postgraduate course:

- Barrister-at-Law Degree [1year]

**The Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place**

In respect of the following postgraduate course:

- Professional Practice Course (PPC)
  - Part I
  - Part II

Schedule 3

*Regulation 4.*

APPROVED POSTGRADUATE COURSES IN NORTHERN IRELAND

**Queen's University, Belfast**

Full-time postgraduate course of not less than one year duration

**University of Ulster**

Full-time postgraduate course of not less than one year duration

**St Mary's College of Education, Belfast**

Postgraduate Certificate in Education (Irish Medium)

**Stranmillis College, Belfast**

Postgraduate Certificate in Education

The Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform consents to the making of the foregoing Regulations.



GIVEN under the Official Seal of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform,  
5 June 2012.

BRENDAN HOWLIN,  
Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
5 June 2012.

RUAIRI QUINN,  
Minister for Education and Skills.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation).*

These Regulations are made pursuant to powers conferred on the Minister for Education and Skills under the Student Support Act 2011. They prescribe "approved institutions", "approved courses" and "classes of persons" for the purposes of that Act.

These Regulations may be cited as the Student Support Regulations 2012.

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH  
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