

Important Websites

Some useful websites and free publication information:
www.wit.ie/careerscentre

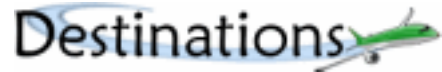
www.gradireland.com



www.prospects.ac.uk



www.wit.ie/destinations



<http://targetjobs.co.uk>



A Date for Your Diary

WIT's Careers Boot Camp- Get your career in shape

From Monday 26th to Thursday 29th Sept

Venue: Talks are in the Auditorium and Stands are in the Atrium

Monday

11.15-12.15 Kick start your Careers with the WIT Careers Centre

12.15 -1.15 Present Yourself in the Best Way.
CV - Interviews - Application Support and Advice

Tuesday

10 -2 Accountancy Day - Stands + Talks

Wednesday

10 - 2 Teaching Day - Stands + Talks

Thursday

11.15-12.15 What happens at Assessment Centres

12.15-1.15 Creative Job Searching



Teaching as a Career?

If you are interested in Teaching as a career, Closing date for applications is 1st December 2011. Application forms are available from www.pac.ie. For further info contact the careers centre. Check out the Teaching Day Wednesday 28th of September 10-2 pm
Venue: Atrium

Big 4 Accountancy

Deloitte
Ernst & Young
KPMG
PWC

Closing Date: 19th of October

WIT Careers Centre



The Careers Centre's aim is to provide a service, which is genuinely friendly and helpful. We work with students from all years and all disciplines both undergraduate and postgraduate. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our international students too and we look forward to meeting you all. Please feel free to call in.

Visit the Careers Centre Information Library

The Careers Information Library (Part of the College Library) has lots of useful material covering Career Options, Employment and Further Study. There are free booklets and magazines as well as directories. We also have computer packages for you to use, including career planners, videos for you to see and books to borrow. As these facilities are available for you to research any queries you have in relation to your future options, please do use them and should you need further assistance then we can make arrangements for you to meet with the Careers Advisor.

Get your gradireland Careers Report now

If you need help in choosing a graduate career or just deciding where to start, the gradireland Careers Report will reveal your strengths and skills, pinpoint graduate jobs and careers that suit you, and set you on a positive plan of action. The gradireland Careers Report uses questionnaires and psychometric tests to explore your interests, strengths, personality and abilities.

Check this out from the Careers website or <http://gradireland.com/careers-report>

A Welcome Note



Fáilte Welcome Bienvenue Willkommen Benvenuto Bienvenidos
Huan yin Vitejte Khush amaadiid Swaagatam Yin dee Merhaba Yin dee

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Careers Centre

Welcome back to the final year of your course. We at the Careers Centre wish you every success with all your activities in the coming year.

This is your year, when all your dreams at a personal level, your ambitions for your future and your goal of the best qualification possible, will be realised. I hope to see you make good use of the Careers Centre during the year.
Árd mor / Good Luck



Angela Collins,
Careers Advisor

Check out the **careers website** & **moodle** which contains information on job vacancies, careers advice and lots more, check back often as it is regularly updated. Find us on [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/WIT-Careers-Centre/164371466911273)
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/WIT-Careers-Centre/164371466911273>

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Where are we situated ?
Careers Centre is inside the main college entrance on the Cork Road campus
Opening times:
Monday to Friday
9am – 4pm



From your Careers Centre

Top 10

Ten Things to do now!!
As a final year Student

- 1) Call into the Careers Centre
- 2) Set Clear Objectives
- 3) Know what you have to offer
- 4) Research the options
- 5) Avail of all opportunities
- 6) Negotiate the web
- 7) Network
- 8) Prepare your CV
- 9) Surround yourself with allies
- 10) Look after yourself and have fun.

We Can Help You

- Think about your future
- Find information on jobs or employers
- With job applications and interviews or further courses
- With information on postgraduate courses
- Discuss your ideas or options



Job Market Trivia



80% of job vacancies are hidden.
Only 20% are publicly advertised.

Quick Query / Drop in Sessions

Every Monday 2- 4 pm
pre book a 10 minute slot by **phone** (051 302038) by **email** careers@wit.ie or **in person** at the Career Centre from 9am on the day of the Quick Query.

Website

Visit www.wit.ie/careerscentre for career information, job vacancies, postgraduate, funding opportunities
Email: careers@wit.ie
Telephone: 051 302038

Keep the P.A.S.S.I.O.N

- P- Planning
- A- Awareness
- S- Study
- S- Skills
- I- Initiative
- O- Opportunities
- N- Never give up



Employers and Company Presentations

Throughout the year there will be a number of company presentations taking place both on and off campus. Check the Careers Notice Boards and the Careers Website for the latest info. www.wit.ie/careerscentre
Email: careers@wit.ie or Tel 051 302038 for further details.



The Class of 2011 Where did they go?

The main findings of the survey are as follows:

- 36.6% are employed
- 54.1% are pursuing further study.
- 7.2% were seeking employment.

Average Salaries
The median graduate salary for Ireland projected for 2011 is unchanged from last year at € 24,000 -€ 25,000



How to make an appointment with the Careers Advisor

- Email careers@wit.ie
- Tel 051302038
- Call our office located just inside the main entrance on the left. (Immediately opposite Reception) Appointments usually last 20 minutes. If more time is needed another appointment will be given. Appointment times are organised during normal opening hours Monday to Friday. For students studying in the College St., Angela Collins the Careers Advisor is down in the College St Campus every Friday morning. Appointments are limited so please pre book your appointment as early as possible!

Post graduate Careers Fair
15th February 2012
Venue: Main Hall, RDS Dublin
Keep an eye on the website for more details



Careers Fair

WIT Careers Centre this year again we joined forces with colleagues in the Careers Services of the following Institutions DIT, IADT, Institute of Technology Tallaght, St. Patricks College, Trinity College Dublin, Institute of Technology Dundalk, National College of Ireland, NUI Maynooth, DCU,OU and GTI Ireland to bring you the biggest and best careers fair ever!

Recruitment Fair Checklist

- Register at www.thegraduatecareersfair.ie
- Make a list of companies and areas that interest you
- Jot down any questions you want to ask and make sure you ask them
- Bring copies of your CV
- The excellent reputation of WIT graduates over the years ensures that companies have a real interest in talking to you about your career plans and prospects. Its well worth bringing copies of your CV to the Fair. Remember that many of the companies look for suitable candidates across a range of disciplines. And its not just for final year students – all years are welcome! There should be something of interest to everyone. The Recruitment Fair is like a shop window which will give you a good overview of what is out there in terms of your job prospects as well as detailed information about application requirements etc.

Bus Service

Some buses have been pre booked to travel to the fair. Please call in person to the Careers centre to book your place. (051) 30 20 38 or email careers@wit.ie
Please note limited seats available and allocated on a first application received basis

8 Reasons to attend

1. Employers from all sectors and sizes to choose from.
2. Several institutions offering postgraduate study opportunities will be there to meet you.
3. Seminars, workshops and CV/Advice clinics provided throughout the day.
4. Opportunity to meet graduates in your area of interest.
5. All your questions and queries answered e.g. graduate programme deadlines etc.
6. Save time and money by attending one central event.
7. Free Shuttle bus service from WIT to the Fair.
8. Free entry.

What Graduate Recruiters are looking for

Graduate Recruiters seek a number of qualities from their applications. The following information is provided to assist you in identifying aspects that are expected from the final year applicant. In the past, skills acquired in academic courses prepared graduates for a limited range of particular jobs. Today, the emphasis is on developing a whole range of higher skills, which can be applied to everwidening areas of employment. Indeed, recruitment personnel say that academic competence alone is not sufficient. There is a need to develop a whole range of personal and extracurricular skills, which demonstrate a graduate's ability to fit into and deal with a wide variety of tasks and challenges. Check out the following links to see what skills are expected in today's working environment.

www.wit.ie/careerscentre

gradireland Graduate Careers Fair (Don't miss Ireland's biggest careers event!)

The gradireland Graduate Careers Fair 2011 takes place in the Main Hall, RDS, Dublin on 12th October! Meet over 120 graduate recruiters, course providers and professional bodies from Ireland and the UK. Attend seminars presented by industry professionals and have your CV reviewed by careers advisors at the CV clinic. Wednesday 12th October 2011 11.00am - 5.00pm Main Hall, RDS, Dublin.

Get Proactive!

The Careers Centre is here to help and support you but it is vital that you become proactive in researching and following up your career options. Here are some ways in which you can take the initiative:

Ask Q's:

seems obvious enough, but when it comes to career research, information is power. Direct contact with people in jobs that you are interested in can provide a lot of perspective that you don't get by just reading company literature. Opportunities for work experience or shadowing can bring you right to the heart of the question of what its like to work in a particular job.

Speculative CV's:

Not just firing off copies of your CV to anyone you can think of. Rather, researching the organizations that you think might be interested in you, and you in them, and then targeting them with your CV and, if possible, covering letters to named individuals in particular depts., whether HR, management etc. Networking: indirect approach to jobseeking by getting to know and being known by the right people. Setting up informal meetings through contacts, looking for advice, info (don't ask directly for a job!). Show that you have an interest in the company and that you have researched it well.

What do Employers want?

