



Waterford Institute of Technology  
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# Programmes for International Students



# Study in Ireland & WIT



## Studying in Waterford

Waterford, the oldest city in Ireland, is today a modern and vibrant port city located in the beautiful South-East of Ireland.

Founded in 914 AD by Viking settlers, Waterford is an ancient walled city with many interesting historic sites and attractive buildings. Reginald's Tower is the oldest urban civic building in Ireland, and the oldest monument to retain its Viking name. To this day, it remains Waterford's most recognisable landmark.

Waterford is the designated gateway to the South-East region, with excellent shopping, a lively social scene and facilities for sport and recreation. It is the fifth city of the Irish Republic having a population of about 60,000 people. It is connected to the capital,

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Dublin, by motorway and is easily accessible by train or coach. There are also daily flights to London and other UK cities from Waterford regional airport.

The city's most famous export is the unique Waterford Crystal. You can see this world-renowned product being crafted at the magnificent House of Waterford in the heart of the city's Viking quarter.

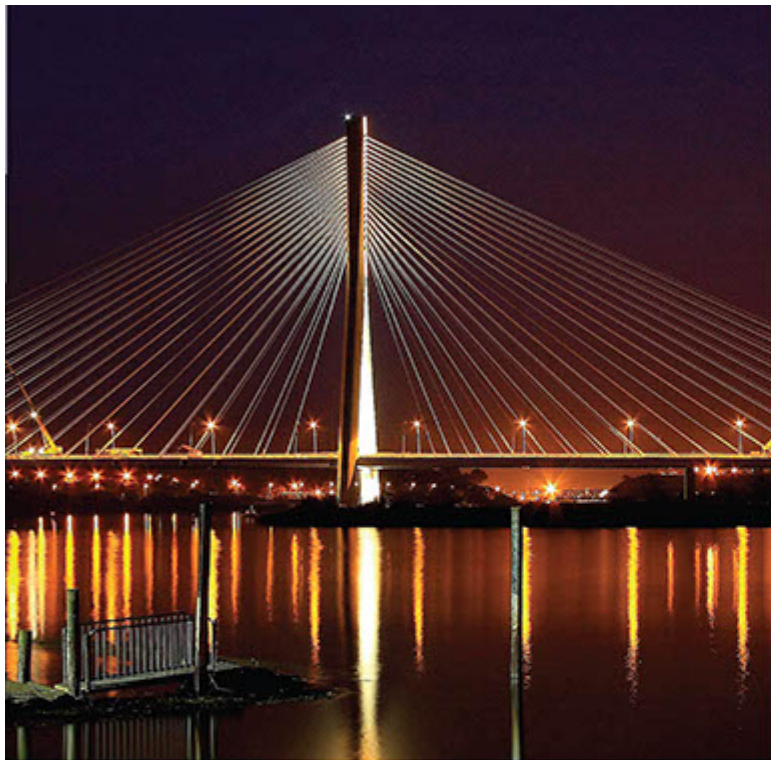
Waterford city is located 10 kilometres from the coast which means there are superb opportunities for swimming and surfing. The cost of living (accommodation, food, travel) in Waterford is much lower than that of Dublin and other Irish cities.

Waterford is above all a safe and friendly student city and the perfect destination for your studies.

For more information see:

[www.waterfordtourism.org](http://www.waterfordtourism.org)  
[www.discoverwaterfordcity.ie](http://www.discoverwaterfordcity.ie)





## Why WIT?

WIT is a state-sector, university-level college which is funded directly by the Irish government. This means that its facilities and infrastructure are of excellent quality.

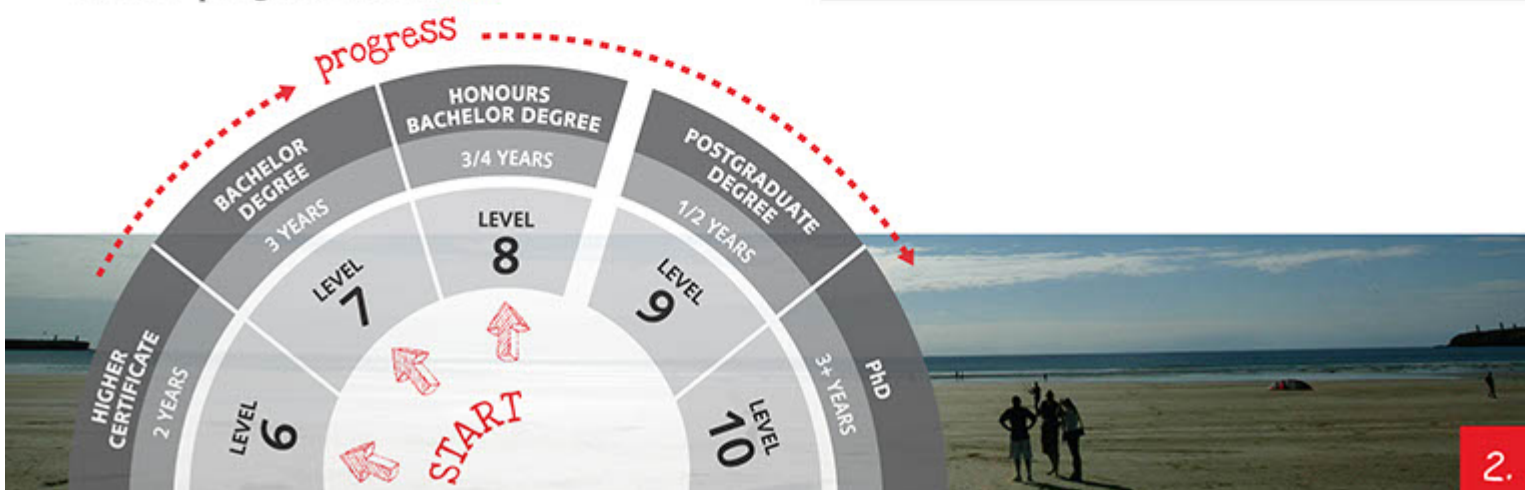
It provides a wide range of vocationally oriented courses, which lead to internationally recognised awards.

It operates within the National Qualifications Authority of Ireland (NQA) which means that all its courses are quality assured and all its staff have high level qualifications.

WIT currently caters for over 10,000 students of which 6,500 are full-time and over 3,500 are part-time. There is a rapidly growing community of international students from over 60 different countries. The Institute also has partnership agreements with over 100 universities worldwide. WIT is one of the most popular destinations for Irish school-leavers and there is strong competition for places. WIT has forged links with industry and employers and many of its courses involve work placement.

There is excellent Institute-managed student accommodation which is affordable, modern and located near the Institute.

### Career progression at WIT:



## Accommodation

### Ideal for living and studying

WIT offers high quality campus managed accommodation that is safe, pleasant and ideal for living and studying.

Each student has a single bedroom with private bathroom and internet connection. Students share a modern kitchen and living room with 2 or 3 other students.

All campus accommodation is purpose built and fully equipped, 24 hour security, parking, plus a serviced launderette.

For more information see:

[www.witcampusservices.ie/accommodation](http://www.witcampusservices.ie/accommodation)

# Courses at WIT

## Business

Course	Course Code	Duration (years)	Course	Course Code	Duration (years)
<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>			<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
Higher Certificate in Business	WD003	2	Master of Business	WD_BMABS_R	1
BA (Hons) in Accounting	WD084	3	Specialisations in:		
BA (Hons) in Business Management with Law	WD079	3	Marketing		1
BA (Hons) in Finance & Investment	WD160	3	Economics and Finance		1
Bachelor of Business	WD159	3	Corporate Administration		1
BA (Hons) in Financial Services	WD136	2 add-on	Human Resource Management		1
Bachelor of Business (Hons)	WD048	4	Management		1
BA (Hons) in International Business	WD134	4	MSc in Business, Innovation, Technology and Entrepreneurship	WD562	1
BA (Hons) in Marketing	WD095	4	Master of Business in Accounting	WD_BACCT_R	1
BSc (Hons) in Retail Management	WD127	4	Master of Business in Internationalisation	WD_BINTN_R	1
			Postgraduate Diploma in Business in Enterprise Development	WD_BENTD_G	1

## Engineering

<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>			<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
Higher Certificate in Engineering in Electronic Engineering	WD010	2	BEng in Civil Engineering	WD139	3
BEng in Electronic Engineering	WD031	1 add-on	BSc (Hons) in Sustainable Civil Engineering	WD178	3
BSc (Hons) in Applied Electronics	WD026	2 add-on	BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying	WD162	4
BEng (Hons) in Electronic Engineering	WD086	4	BSc (Hons) in Construction Management & Engineering	WD025	4
Higher Certificate in Engineering in Mechanical Engineering	WD011	2 add-on	Bachelor of Architecture (Hons)	WD144	5
BEng in Manufacturing Engineering	WD032	2 add-on	BSc in Architectural Technology	WD036	1
BSc (Hons) in Manufacturing Engineering	WD036	1 add-on	BSc (Hons) in Architectural Technology	WD085	4
BEng (Hons) in Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering	WD085	4			
BEng (Hons) in Sustainable Energy Engineering	WD171	4	<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
Higher Certificate in Engineering in Building Service Engineering	WD040	2 add-on	MSc in Construction Project Management	WD_CECMT_R	1
BEng in Building Services Engineering	WD59	1 add-on	MEng in Electronic Engineering	WD_EELEN_R	1
			MEng in Innovative Technologies	WD555	1
			MSc in Sustainable Engineering	WD554	1

## Health Sciences

<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>			<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
Bachelor of Business in Recreation & Sport Management	WD019	3	MA Sports Psychology	WD_HSPSY_R	1
Bachelor of Business (Hons) in Recreation & Sport Management	WD051	1 add-on	MA Social, Personal & Health Education	WD539	1
BA (Hons) in Health Promotion	WD124	4			
BA (Hons) in Exercise & Health Studies	WD125	4			

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<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>					
BA (Hons) in Tourism Marketing	WD148	3	BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care	WD135	3
BA (Hons) in Hospitality Management	WD091	4	BA (Hons) in Early Childhood Studies	WD149	3
Higher Certificate in Business in Tourism	WD174	2	BA (Hons) in Music	WD027	4
Higher Certificate in Arts- Culinary Arts	WD172	2	BA (Hons) in Visual Art	WD152	4
BA (Hons) in Psychology	WD163	3	BA (Hons) in Design (Visual Communications)	WD137	4
Bachelor of Arts (Hons)	WD200	3	<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
Higher Certificate in Arts in Legal Studies	WD013	2	MA in Second Language Learning & Teaching	WD_HLALT_R	1
BA in Legal studies in International Trade	WD033	1 add-on	MA in Social Studies	WD552	1
BA (Hons) in Legal Studies with Business	WD053	1 add-on	MA in Arts and Heritage Management	WD549	1
BA (Hons) in Legal studies	WD140	3	Higher Diploma in Arts in International Hotel Management		1
BA (Hons) in Criminal Justice Studies	WD150	3			

<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>					
BSc in Applied Biology	WD176	3	BSc (Hons) in Information Technology	WD131	1 add-on
BSc (Hons) in Applied Biology with Quality Management	WD055	1 add-on	BSc in Multimedia Applications Development	WD153	3
BSc (Hons) in Pharmaceutical Science	WD147	4	BSc (Hons) in Multimedia Applications Development	WD165	1 add-on
BSc in Food Science with Business	WD164	3	BSc (Hons) in Computer Forensics and Security	WD161	4
BSc in Agriculture	WD126	3	<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
BSc in Forestry	WD076	3	MSc in Computing- specialisations		
BSc in Horticulture	WD096	3	Communication Software	WD_KTESO_R	1
BSc (Hons) in Land Management in (Agriculture/ Forestry/ Horticulture)	WD156- WD128	1 add-on	Information Systems Processes	WD_KISYP_R	1
BSc in Software Systems Development	WD151	3	Multimedia and E-Learning	WD_KMULE_R	1
BSc (Hons) in Entertainment Systems	WD168	4	Higher Diploma in Applied Computing	WD_KCOMA_G	1
BSc (Hons) in Software Systems Development	WD068	1 add-on	Higher Diploma in Business Systems Analysis	WD561	1
BSc (Hons) in Applied Computing	WD028	4			
BSc in Information Technology	WD155	3			

<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>					
International Bridging Programme (preparing international students for third level study)		1	<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>		
BSc (Hons) Airline Transport Operations		3	MA in Teaching and Learning in Further and Higher Education		1
			MA in Management in Education		1

# Studying at WIT

## Types of Programmes Available

There are a wide range of programmes available at Waterford Institute of Technology.

The programmes on offer at WIT range from the pre-entry International Foundation Programme to undergraduate to undergraduate programmes at Higher Certificate and Bachelors level and from postgraduate programmes to Masters and Doctoral levels. Some programmes are designed to run from entry to completion as a single programme. Other programmes may be used to upgrade existing qualifications - these are referred to as add on programmes.

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## International Foundation Programme

Designed to help international students improve and practice English language skills in an academic setting.

The WIT International Foundation Programme is designed to help international students improve and practise English language skills in an academic setting. It also helps students adapt to the new learning and teaching styles that they will encounter in Ireland. The course includes advanced academic English and also introductory courses in some of the subjects from the students chosen academic area.

Modules include English for academic purposes, communications, study and IT skills, mathematics, critical thinking, and European Union society and culture.

All students on the programme obtain two valuable qualifications which are internationally recognised. These are the IELTS Certificate and the ECDL Certificate (European Computer Driving Licence).



## English Language Competence

Since all of our courses are conducted through the medium of English, it is essential to have high level comprehension and writing skills. If English is not your first language you will be required to demonstrate that you have this competence to undertake study through English by presenting evidence of achievement in IELTS, TOEFL or the Cambridge test.

The required levels for TOEFL and IELTS to enter courses in WIT are:

	IELTS	TOEFL		
		Paper Based	Computer Based	Internet Based
Bridging/Foundation Undergraduate	4.5	477	153	53
Undergraduate (Science & Engineering)	5.5	527	197	71
Undergraduate (Business & Humanities)	6.0	553	217	81
Postgraduate (Science & Engineering)	6.0	553	217	81
Postgraduate (Business & Humanities)	6.5	580	237	92

# How to apply

## Undergraduate Courses (Direct Entry)

You should be at least 17 years of age in January of the year of entry. You must have a secondary/high school diploma, with good grades in English and Mathematics and at least 4 other subjects, with average marks of over 60%. Some courses have special entry requirements, e.g. high mathematics grades, which you should check under the course details on the Institute's website ([www.wit.ie](http://www.wit.ie)). If English is not your first language you should present evidence of competence in the language (see later section for details).

## Undergraduate Courses (Advanced Entry)

If you wish to seek exemptions for completed courses of study overseas, you should satisfy the above requirements and you must provide details of the college/university you attended and a certified copy of all academic transcripts which detail the subjects you studied and grades awarded. If you have only completed part of a course of study in another university, WIT will make contact with that college to complete a transfer agreement.

## Postgraduate Courses

To enter a taught Masters programme, you should have a good honours degree in a related subject. Work experience is essential for some programmes. If English is not your first language you should present evidence of competence.

For further information on the application process check:  
[www.wit.ie/StudyatWIT/PostgraduateStudy](http://www.wit.ie/StudyatWIT/PostgraduateStudy)

## International Foundation Programme

You should be at least 17 years of age in January of the year of entry. You must have a secondary/high school diploma (equivalent to the Irish leaving certificate), with good grades in English and Mathematics and at least 4 other subjects, on average +50%. If English is not your first language, you should present evidence of competence in the language.

## Visa Requirements

It is the responsibility of applicants to check the visa requirements for study in Ireland. The Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform is responsible for determining Irish immigration policy.

For full information regarding all aspects of immigration into Ireland, check: [www.foreignaffairs.gov.ie](http://www.foreignaffairs.gov.ie)

## Follow the correct application procedure

You should complete an international student application form online and submit at

[www.wit.ie/International/AdmissionProcedure/](http://www.wit.ie/International/AdmissionProcedure/)

Post a copy of the completed application together with copies of transcripts of exams taken, evidence of English language competence and a copy of the picture page of your passport to:

International Office  
Waterford Institute of Technology  
Cork Road  
Waterford  
Ireland

The International Office can be contacted by  
telephone: +353 51 306124 or  
email: [international@wit.ie](mailto:international@wit.ie)

## Deadlines

The closing date for September entry is the 31st May. This applies to most undergraduate courses, taught Masters programmes and the International Foundation Programme course which commences in Autumn. Late applications may be processed if places are still available. The closing date for January entry to the Foundation programme is the 31st October.

Late applications may be considered subject to the availability of places and visa restrictions.

Entry to all courses at WIT is competitive and students will be selected strictly on the basis of merit. Having the entry qualifications does not entitle you automatically to a place. WIT reserves the right to select the most highly qualified applicants for the places available. If you are a direct applicant to WIT and wish to accept an offer of a place, you must complete and return the notification of acceptance by a specified date. You will then be asked to pay your tuition fee in full. You will require a WIT receipt for fees paid plus your original letter of offer in order to apply for a study visa.

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