

## **IT Sligo Admissions Information Sheet: CAO - Further Education Applications (including QQI & FETAC)**

### **QQI FET (formerly FETAC)**

If you do not qualify for Higher Education based on your Leaving Cert. results, you may be able to qualify via a PLC (Post Leaving Cert) or FET (Further Education and Training) course, such as QQI Level 5/6 awards.

### **When do I have to apply?**

Applications open during November for courses starting in September of the following year. Details on the application timetable are available here;

<http://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=timetableevents&bb=importantdates>

### **How do I apply?**

All applicants for entry to the first year of IT Sligo's full-time undergraduate courses are made through the Central Applications Office (CAO).

Detailed information on how to apply is available at [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie)

A helpful video guide for QQI FET (FETAC) applicants is available on the CAO website here: <http://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=video&l=84849240>

The application Handbook is available here: <http://www.cao.ie/handbook.php>

### **What courses are offered to QQI/FETAC Applicants?**

If you meet the entry requirements, you may apply via the CAO for any first year Full-time undergraduate course at IT Sligo.

This means you may apply for the Higher Certificate (Level 6), the Ordinary Degree (Level 7) or the Honours Degree (Level 8 ) Programmes.

You can view the full range of courses available on the course pages on the ATU Sligo website <https://www.itsligo.ie/cao/>

## **What are the Entry Requirements for QQI/FETAC Applicants?**

FETAC and QQI must meet a number of entry requirements;

1. The award and grade requirement
2. The Module/subject requirement
3. The Points requirement

### ***Award and Grade Requirement:***

The entry requirements for a Higher Certificate (Level 6) and Ordinary Degree (Level 7) is a full QQI FET/FETAC (Level 5 or 6) award.

The entry requirements Honours Degree (Level 8) – Full QQI FET/FETAC (Level 5 or 6) award to include Distinction grades in at least three.

For entry to the majority of courses, a full award may be accumulated over more than one academic year. In such cases, it is the responsibility of the applicant to apply to QQI for a full award.

### ***Module/Subject Requirement:***

To be able to apply for Many ATU Sligo Courses, you must have passed certain subjects on your Award. ( e.g. sometimes Maths is a requirement )

Course entry requirements can be viewed via the *Entry Requirements* section of individual course pages on the ATU Sligo website <https://www.itsligo.ie/>

Alternatively, for more information and to view a full list of our QQI FET/FETAC entry requirements only, please visit the QQI FET/FETAC section of the CAO website [here](#)

### ***Points requirement:***

You must meet the CAO points requirements for the programme. Points are largely determined by the volume of applications received and the number of places available.

Here is a useful link to the CAO QQI/FETAC Points Calculator:

<http://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=scoring&s=fetac>

### **Useful links:**

Fees and grants IT Sligo: <https://www.itsligo.ie/study-at-it-sligo/fees-grants/>

SUSI : <https://susie.ie/>

IT Sligo CAO Hub: <https://www.itsligo.ie/cao/> has all types of useful information and will show you:

- Details of all CAO courses,
- Student life at ATU Sligo,
- Virtual Campus Tours,
- Scholarships,
- Clubs and societies,
- Accommodation,
- Student supports

### **I have a question?**

Email: [admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie)

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