

Leaving Cert Applied

A Positive Destination

Do The Following Apply to You?

- I am interested in learning about the workplace
- I like practical subjects
- I like working on projects

- I would like to incorporate work experience into my senior cycle education
- I would like to have two thirds of my leaving cert course completed before I sit any final exams
- I am not committed to spending hours on homework and study for my leaving cert

- I would like to learn interview skills
- I would like to go straight from school to employment
- I would like to complete a PLC course after my Leaving Cert




▶then Leaving Cert
Applied could be for
you...

- ▶ ...but you must keep an attendance rate above 90% .

Curriculum

- ▶ Vocational Preparation & Guidance
- ▶ English & Communications
- ▶ Mathematical Applications
- ▶ Information Technology
- ▶ Leisure & Recreation
- ▶ Social Education
- ▶ Vocational Specialisms
- ▶ Graphics and Construction
- ▶ Hair and Beauty
- ▶ Agriculture & Horticulture
- ▶ Arts Education
Visual Art
- ▶ Languages
Gaeilge
- ▶ French/Spanish
- ▶ Elective Modules
Science
- ▶ Religion

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- ▶ Work Experience
 - Four placements
 - Attended Every Friday

Seven Student Tasks

▶ One third of the course-Practical Projects

▶ Examples include:

- Organisation of a charity soccer blitz
- Devising and running an enterprise
- Learning a practical skill outside of the school environment

Assessment

- ▶ Modes
- ▶ Satisfactory completion of Modules credits (31%) 62
- ▶ 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)

What the students say; why would you recommend LCA?

- Work Experience
- No school on Fridays
- No homework
- Teachers interact with you more
- Trips outside of school
- Practical Learning
- Learning about real life

What Can I DO with LCA?

- PLC courses in further education centres such as The College of Commerce or St John's College of Further Education, CSN.
- Use this qualification as a stepping stone to an I.T. Such as CIT
- Apprenticeships in for example The Cork Training Centre
- Join the Defence Forces
- Join The Gardai
- Employment

Where are They Now?

- ▶ Past pupils of LCA in GCC have been successful in a number of areas continuing their study and finding employment in
 - Hotel and Catering
 - Agricultural College
 - Hair and Beauty
 - Leisure and Recreation
 - Software Development
 - Childcare
 - Apprenticeships