Waterford Institute *of* Technology

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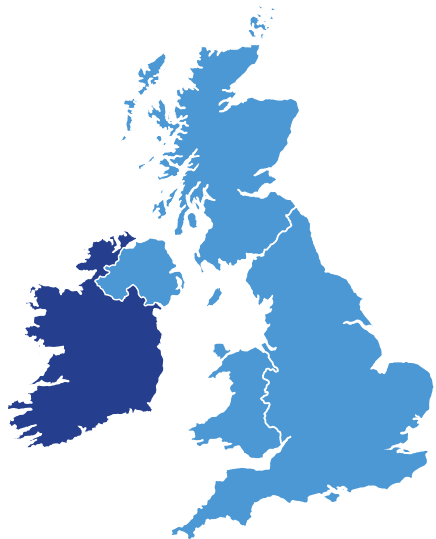
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# Studying in Waterford

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, 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 you to pursue your studies.

For more information see:
www.waterfordtourism.org
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 (NQAI) 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.

# Types of Programmes Available

There is 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 course to undergraduate programmes at Higher Certificate and Bachelors level and from postgraduate progammes 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.

# 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).

www.wit.ie/international

# Student Testimonials

## Avtar Singh

(BA Hospitality Management)
India

"The BA Honours in Hospitality management was a really useful course for me, as not only did it provide me with theory and knowledge, but it also gave me a six month work placement in a five star hotel, where I learnt first hand the ins and outs of the hospitality industry."

## Jistsupa Piyadit

(MSc Multimedia and e-Learning)
Thailand

"At WIT there are top quality lecturers and you will get an excellent education in a relaxed and caring environment. I really enjoyed my time in Waterford and can really recommend it to anyone thinking about coming to Ireland."

## Hongyang Hou

(M Eng Electronic Engineering)
China

"Studying at WIT was an excellent experience. The staff were very professional, caring and expert in their areas. I have learned not just theoretical knowledge but also many practical skills which will be very helpful in my future career."

## Mónica Ramírez

(MSc Information Systems Processes) Mexico

"From the beginning my experience in WIT has been invaluable and unforgettable. The whole experience of living alone, learning about different countries and cultures, and speaking a different language are once in a lifetime opportunities which have improved my personal skills."

# 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**

# Programmes at WIT

Business

Engineering

Health Sciences

Humanities

Science and Computing

Education

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# Business

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

# Engineering

| Course | Course Code | Duration (years) | Course | Course Code | Duration (years) |
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| **UNDERGRADUATE** | | | | | |
| Higher Certificate in Engineering in Electronic Engineering | WD010 | 2 | BSc (Hons) in Sustainable Civil Engineering | WD178 | 2 add-on |
| BEng in Electronic Engineering | WD031 | 1 add-on | BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying | WD162 | 4 |
| BSc (Hons) in Applied Electronics | WD026 | 2 add-on | BSc (Hons) in Construction Management & Engineering | WD025 | 4 |
| BEng (Hons) in Electronic Engineering | WD086 | 4 | Bachelor of Architecture (Hons) | WD144 | 5 |
| Higher Certificate in Engineering in Mechanical Engineering | WD011 | 2 add-on | BSc in Architectural Technology | WD094 | 3 |
| BEng in Manufacturing Engineering | WD032 | 1 add-on | BSc (Hons) in Architectural Technology | WD092 | 1 add-on |
| BSc (Hons) in Manufacturing Engineering | WD036 | 1 add-on | | | |
| BEng (Hons) in Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering | WD085 | 4 | **POSTGRADUATE:** | | |
| BEng (Hons) in Sustainable Energy Engineering | WD171 | 4 | MSc Construction Project Management | WD_CECMT_R | 1 |
| Higher Certificate in Engineering in Building Services Engineering | WD040 | 2 add-on | MEng in Electronic Engineering | WD_EELEN_R | 1 |
| BEng in Building Services Engineering | WD059 | 1 add-on | MEng in Innovative Technologies | WD555 | 1 |
| BEng in Civil Engineering | WD139 | 3 | MSc in Sustainable Engineering | WD554 | 1 |

# Health Sciences

| Course | Course Code | Duration (years) | Course | Course Code | Duration (years) |
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| UNDERGRADUATE | | | POSTGRADUATE: | | |
| 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 | | | |

# Humanities

| Course | Course Code | Duration (years) | Course | Course Code | Duration (years) |
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| UNDERGRADUATE | | | BA (Hons) in Criminal Justice Studies | WD150 | 3 |
| 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 | POSTGRADUATE | | |
| 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 |

# Science and Computing

| Course | Course Code | Duration (years) | Course | Course Code | Duration (years) |
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| UNDERGRADUATE | | | BSc in Information Technology | WD155 | 3 |
| 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 | | | |
| BSc in Forestry | WD076 | 3 | POSTGRADUATE | | |
| BSc in Horticulture | WD096 | 3 | MSc in Computing- specialisations: | | |
| BSc (Hons) in Land Management in (Agriculture/ Forestry/ Horticulture) | WD156-WD128 | 1 add-on | Communication Software | WD_KTESO_R | 1 |
| BSc in Software Systems Development | WD151 | 3 | Information Systems Processes | WD_KISYP_R | 1 |
| BSc (Hons) in Entertainment Systems | WD168 | 4 | Multimedia and E-Learning | WD_KMULE_R | 1 |
| BSc (Hons) in Software Systems Development | WD068 | 1 add-on | Higher Diploma in Applied Computing | WD_KCOMA_G | 1 |
| BSc (Hons) in Applied Computing | WD028 | 4 | Higher Diploma in Business Systems Analysis | WD561 | 1 |

# Education

| Course | Course Code | Duration (years) | Course | Course Code | Duration (years) |
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| **UNDERGRADUATE** | | | **POSTGRADUATE** | | |
| International Foundation Programme (preparing international students for third level study) | | 1 | MA in Teaching and Learning in Further and Higher Education | | 1 |
| BSc (Hons) Airline Transport Operations | | 3 | MA in Management in Education | | 1 |

# 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**). 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.

## 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.

# Contact us

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Email: **international@wit.ie**

# 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 the 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 |
| International Foundation Programme | 4.5 | 477 | 153 | 53 |
| (Science & Engineering) Undergraduate | 5.5 | 527 | 197 | 71 |
| (Business & Humanities) Postgraduate | 6.0 | 553 | 217 | 81 |
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# Follow the correct application procedure

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

# Deadlines

The closing date for September entry is the 31st May. This applies to most undergraduate courses, taught Masters programmes and the Foundation programme which commences in Autumn. Late applications may be processed if

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places are still available. The closing date for January entry to the International 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.

For full information regarding all aspects of immigration into Ireland check:
**www.inis.gov.ie**

## 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.

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## Tuition fees and scholarships

Information on tuition fees and scholarships is available on **www.wit.ie/international**

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| (September - June, 38 weeks) Campus accommodation (single room) | € 3,000 |
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