



Calculated Grades



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- Available from 9am on 7th September from at the **Student Portal on education.ie. OR gov.ie**
- These grades are **OFFERINGS** from the Department who are attempting to keep everything as 'on schedule' as possible during the global pandemic.
- Grades have been through a **rigorous statistical process** (similar to what happens every year).
- Calculated grades can be used to allow you to progress to **any pathway**, just like any given year.
- Teachers may have given different grades than what is finally offered to students.
- If students are not happy with grades, there are **several options/choices** they can make.
- If students choose to sit one or more of the later examinations, the final Leaving Certificate will integrate the **higher of the grades**.
- These grades are provided in time for students who have applied through the CAO and the UK's UCAS for college entry for the 2020/2021 academic year.
- Just like in every year, we do not know on the day of results what the points will be for certain courses. This fact is key for managing student reactions
- Information on the process of calculated grades available **HERE**

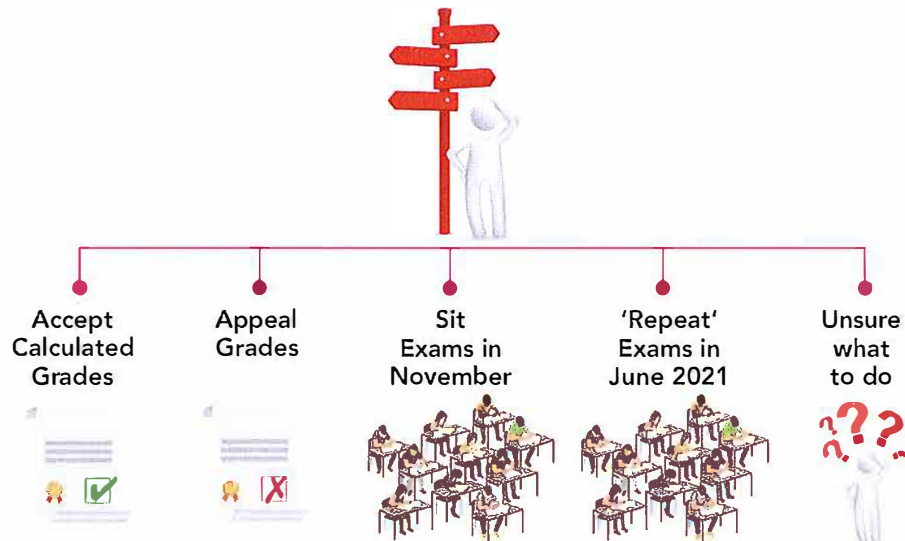


Calculated Grades and Student Decision Making



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Appealing Calculated Grades



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- 14th to 17th September (note- this is AFTER the CAO first round of offers)
- Appeal via Student Portal on education.ie.
- Information will be added to the student portal over the coming days/weeks
- All aspects of data processing checked (It does not involve a review of the actual data/marks given to students)
- If a student is upgraded in line with CAO requirements, they will receive an updated offer
- A student may be able to take up the new offer for the year 2020/21 or can start in 2021/22.



CAO Information at cao.ie



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- Will be available by email/text only i.e. no posted offers.
- 11th Sept at 2pm : C.A.O. Round 1 offers
- 16th Sept at 3pm: Acceptance of CAO round 1 offers must be returned
- 18th Sept: Vacant places published on CAO
- 23rd Sept: C.A.O. Round 2 offers
- 25th Sept: Acceptance of Round 2 offers
- 1st Oct: C.A.O. Round 3 offers
- 6th Oct: Acceptance of Round 3 offers
- 8th Oct: C.A.O. Round 4 offers
- 13th Oct: Acceptance of Round 4 offers
- HEAR/DARE information available at accesscollege.ie
- Deferral procedures remain the same (consult CAO handbook)

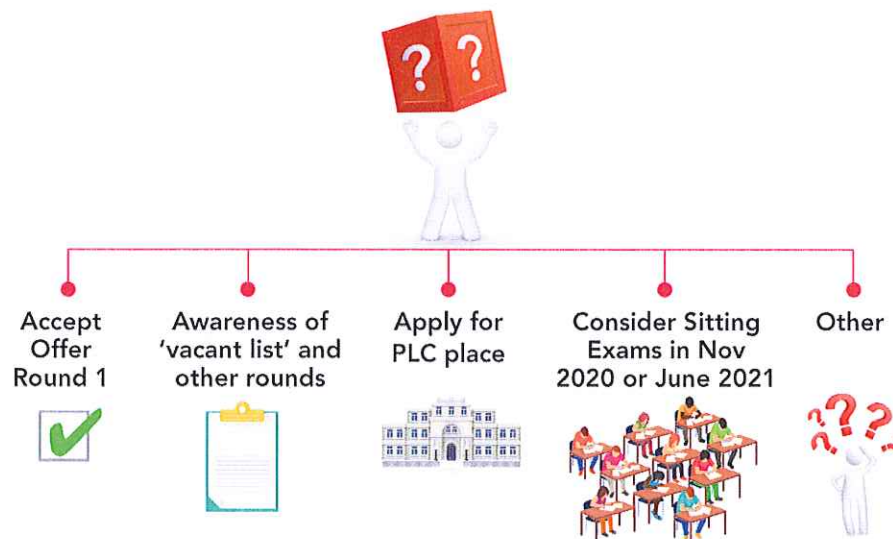


CAO Offers and Student Decision Making



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Sitting Exams in November



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- Information will become available as time progresses
- This is an option designed to accommodate students unsatisfied with grades
- Students can sit one or all subjects, at their discretion
- The higher of the grades will be taken
- Start date: November 16th
- Evenings and weekends
- How to apply to sit the exams?
- Written assessment only following the 'normal' layout.
- Some subjects will include assessment of work submitted prior to school closures
- More information will follow on LCVP and LCA.
- Impact on CAO: If grades increase, students will be provided with updated CAO offer and start in Autumn 2021.
- No impact on fees or student grant.



Some Key Dates



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7th Sept: Calculated Grades Available from 9am

11th Sept: C.A.O. Round 1 offers Available from 2pm

14th Sept: Appeal process opens for calculated grades

14th Sept: Available Place facility will open from 12pm

16th Sept: Acceptance of CAO round 1 offers must be returned by 3pm

17th Sept: Date for close of appeal of grade

23rd Sept: C.A.O. Round 2 offers from 10am

25th Sept: Acceptance of Round 2 offers must be returned by 12pm

Late Sept./Early Oct. College registration/start vary depending on college

1st Oct: C.A.O. Round 3 offers from 10am

6th Oct: Acceptance of Round 3 offers must be returned by 3pm

8th Oct: C.A.O. Round 4 offers from 10am

13th Oct: Acceptance of Round 4 offers must be returned by 3pm

16th Nov: Written Leaving Certificate commence

The philosophy irrespective of the situation

CAREER DEVELOPMENT: FROM NOW TO THEN

