

The Leaving Certificate Plus

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LCVP is a Senior Cycle Programme designed to give a strong vocational dimension to the Leaving Certificate. The programme combines the virtues of academic study with a new and dynamic focus on self-directed learning, enterprise, work and the community.

Requirements for the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme, which is of two years' duration, are as follows:

- LCVP Students must take a minimum of five Leaving Certificate Subjects (at Higher, Ordinary or Foundation Level) including Irish.
- two of the above must be selected from one of the designated Vocational Subject Groupings (these are group of L. Cert subjects which link naturally together)
- they must follow a recognised course in a Modern European Language (other than Irish or English)
- they must study two additional Link Modules, Preparation for the World of Work and Enterprise Education.

The **Link Modules** are activity-based units of study which are designed to help students make connections between school and community, study and future career, enterprise and the business of making a living.

LCVP Students follow the same subject syllabuses and are assessed in the same way as their peers in the Leaving Certificate. For the Link Modules they are assessed by Written Examinations (40%) and by Portfolio of Coursework (60%). The Link Modules are recognised in points terms by Institutes of Technology and by Universities.

Preparation for the World of Work

Research and investigate local employment opportunities; develop your job-seeking skills such as letter writing, CV presentation, interview techniques; gain valuable practical experience of the world of work; interview/work shadow a person in a career area as part of a career investigation.

Enterprise Education

Organise study visits to local business and community enterprises; meet and interview enterprising people onsite and in the classroom; plan and undertake interesting activities that will build self-confidence, creativity, initiative and develop your teamwork, communication and computer skills.

