

Guidelines for Personal Statements

Please prepare a typed personal statement of less than 800 words for each programme of study to which you are applying. Specific guidelines for each programme are given below. Your personal statement should be completed on the attached sheet clearly indicating the relevant programme of study, e.g. *M1007 BAECCE*. Please note that the table will expand as you type.

Personal Statement for MI001 (BA in Contemporary and Applied Theatre Studies Applicants)

Please prepare a typed personal statement under the following headings:

- Why do you wish to study drama at third level?
- What is your knowledge and/or experience of drama/theatre?
- What work or other experiences have you had that might prove advantageous to you in pursuing this programme?
- What formal/informal learning opportunities have you had a chance to engage with since you were last a full time student?
- What personal characteristics/attributes do you have that you feel would make you suitable for this programme?

Personal Statement for MI002 (BA Arts Applicants)

Please prepare a typed personal statement under the following headings:

- Why do you want to study Arts?
- Which subjects would you be interested in studying?
- What formal or informal learning have you engaged in since you left school?
- Work or other experiences, which might prove advantageous to you in pursuing this programme.
- Personal attributes or characteristics you feel you have, which make you particularly suitable for this programme.

Your personal statement should demonstrate your readiness to undertake a programme at third level at this time.

Personal Statement for MI007 (BA ECCE Applicants)

Please prepare a typed personal statement under the following headings:

- Why you wish to apply for the BAECCE programme.
- Your knowledge and understanding of the career area in which you are interested.
- How your educational development and achievements to date prepare you for engaging with the programme.
- Work or other experiences, which might prove advantageous to you in pursuing this programme.
- Personal attributes or characteristics you feel you have, which make you particularly suitable for this programme.
- Other information relevant to your application (e.g. involvement in activities/hobbies/areas of interest).

Your personal statement should demonstrate that you have the academic skills required to participate in an undergraduate degree programme in terms of adequate writing skills and the clear structuring of your ideas. Your interest and motivation in pursuing the BAECCE programme should be demonstrated in addition to your knowledge of future career options that you may wish to pursue.

Personal Statement

Programme of Study to which you are applying: MI_____

Name:

CAO Number:

