**LM118 BE Electronic & Computer Engineering**

**Application information for mature student applicants**

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| Apply through CAO by 1st February  [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie) | Please refer to [Academic Registry](https://www.ul.ie/academic-registry/prospective-students/applying-UL/mature-students) for late applications |

**Application Process:**

1. **CAO application form** – Applicants must ensure that they tick the ‘mature’ special category on the CAO application form and complete Sections 1 to 11 of the Mature Applicant section.
2. **Personal Statement for LM118** – Course Directors use personal statements to help them more effectively assess an applicant’s suitability for, and level of interest in, a particular course. See guidelines overleaf for writing a personal statement for LM118. The Personal Statement requirement is to enable you to provide more specific information to that which is provided in the ‘Statement of Interest’ on your CAO form.
3. **Supporting documentation** – All supporting documentation (e.g. evidence of prior qualifications, Personal Statement for LM118 etc.) should be posted directly to the CAO.

**Minimum Entry Requirements:**

* HC2 (H4) in Leaving Certificate Maths ***or*** equivalent ***or*** Merit in QQI Maths for STEM (5S2246/5N0556) ***or*** Pass in UL Special Maths exam.
* Demonstrable evidence in mathematical competencies at a suitable level.

**Application Assessment Criteria:**

* Prior education – relevant subjects and achievements. Other programmes of study completed (outside core electronic and computer engineering subjects).
* Interest in the programme.
* Personal statement.
* Relevant work and any voluntary experience.

**Interview Assessment Criteria:**

Places are normally awarded through assessment of the application. An interview may be to clarify specific information provided in the application or to discuss further aspects that were not included in the application such as:

* Preparedness for third level, particularly the pace at which difficult material is covered
* Relevant knowledge and work experience
* Communication skills
* Understanding of the programme

**Guidelines for writing a Personal Statement for LM118**

A tailored personal statement is important, especially if you are applying to a competitive programme for which there is a high demand for places, as you will need to be specific and proactively demonstrate how your experience or your interests match the course you are interested in doing.

Your personal statement should be no greater than one side of a **single A4 page** and cover the following areas:

1. Reasons for wishing to undertake LM118
2. Programme's potential contribution to your future career or life plans
3. Highlight relevant experiences or skills gained through employment, voluntary work, or personal interests which have prepared you to undertake LM118
4. Your knowledge and understanding of the career area in which you are interested
5. Any specific preparation you have undertaken in anticipation of commencing LM118

* Please title your document “Personal Statement for LM118”
* Please also ensure that you include your CAO number on your Personal Statement

Direct Entry to this programme is available from the Mature Student Access Certificate

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