

## LM038 – BA Psychology & Sociology

### Application information for mature student applicants

Apply through CAO by 1 <sup>st</sup> February <a href="http://www.cao.ie">www.cao.ie</a>	Late applications are not accepted for this programme.
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### No. of places reserved for mature students: 5

*Guideline figure. Not all mature student places may be filled, as the number and quality of applications received in any year may vary.*

### 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. **Essay** – Applicants to LM038 are required to submit a short essay using no more than 500 words. Your essay should have the following title: *"Reasons why I'm ready to undertake a degree in Psychology & Sociology"*. See guidelines overleaf for further details and information.
3. **Supporting documentation** – All supporting documentation (e.g. evidence of prior qualifications, essay for LM038 etc.) should be posted directly to the CAO.

### Minimum Entry Requirements:

- Submission of essay with CAO application.

### Application Assessment Criteria:

- Prior education
- Work/life experience
- Transferable skills
- Essay\*

**\*Applications without the essay will not be considered**

## Interview Assessment Criteria:

- No interview. Places awarded on basis of application and essay only.

## Guidelines for writing essay for LM038

Applicants to LM038 are required to submit a short essay using no more than 500 words. Your essay should have the following title:

**"Reasons why I'm ready to undertake a degree in Psychology & Sociology".**

The essay should address the following:

1. Demonstrate that you have the **academic skills** needed to take part in an undergraduate degree programme (IT, writing, numeracy and study skills).
2. Demonstrate an interest in and knowledge of psychology as a science, including career possibilities.

- This essay, together with any additional information and exam results, must be sent to the CAO
- Please also ensure that you include your CAO number on your essay