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2023 CAO Application (September/October 2023 entry)

Before Applying:

- 1. If you previously started your 2023 CAO application and have received a 2023 application number, proceed instead to the "My Application" facility where you may view/edit your application.
- 2. Read the 2023 CAO Handbook
- 3. Read the Course Changes to view important changes to courses.

You may wish to use the interactive demo facility.

Instructions

- In any one year, you may NOT present more than one application. If you think you may have already submitted an online application or you have already received a 2023 CAO application number, please proceed instead to the "My Application" facility. There will be no refunds given to applicants who make more than one application.
- The fee for an online application is currently €45.
 There is an online discounted fee of €30 if you apply before 20th January (17:00).
 For further information on fees and closing dates, please view the fees table.
- Applicants making an on-line application may pay the application fee using a Credit or Debit Card (Visa or MasterCard). Alternatively, applicants may pay the application fee in advance at a bank within the Republic of Ireland using an Application Fee Payment Form. If you have not received an Application Fee Payment Form, it may be obtained by contacting CAO.
- Applicants must not make more than one application (either on-line or paper). An extra €10 penalty charge
 will be levied if an applicant submits more than one application (either on-line or paper).
- Mature applicants (those 23 years of age on or before the 1st of January 2023) and applicants who have
 qualifications other than the 1985-2023 Irish Leaving Cert and/or 2002-2023 QQI FET/FETAC Level 5/6 must
 complete the relevant sections of the application form and post supporting documents to the CAO without



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