What is MSAP?

MSAP stands for Mature Students Admissions Pathway. It is an assessment used for mature applicants to selected courses at University College Cork, University College Dublin, NUI Galway and University of Limerick.

The test consists of a Written English module and multiple choice modules. All applicants are required to sit the Written English module. Applicants must check which multiple choice module(s) they should also register to sit. This depends on their university preference and course type.

All modules provide measures of the types of competencies considered important for success in tertiary study. The purpose of MSAP is to assess an applicant’s ability to understand and analyse material and to think critically about issues. Specific curriculum knowledge is not required.

How old is a mature applicant?

To apply as a mature applicant in 2015 you must be 23 years of age on or before 1st January 2015.

Need to know more?

For questions about studying third level education courses and which MSAP modules to do, contact:

University College Cork (UCC)
Mature Students Office
Tel: 021 490 3671
Email: g.mulcahy@ucc.ie
www.ucc.ie/mature

University College Dublin (UCD)
Admissions Office
Tel: 01 716 1536
Email: mature.students@ucd.ie
www.ucd.ie/maturestudents

National University Ireland, Galway (NUIG)
Admissions Office
Tel: 091 495999
Email: admissions@nuigalway.ie
www.nuigalway.ie

University of Limerick (UL)
Admissions Office
Tel: 061 202015
Email: admissions@ul.ie
www.ul.ie/admissions

For questions about MSAP and test sitting arrangements contact:

Australian Council for Educational Research
Email: msap-ireland@acer.edu.au
http://msap-ireland.acer.edu.au

Fast Facts

Test Date:
Saturday 7th March, 2015

Test Fee:
€75 – Register by 15th February 2015
€110 – Register between 16th-20th February 2015

Locations:
Cork, Dublin, Galway & Limerick

How to Register:
Visit the MSAP Ireland website.
It contains everything you need to know about the format of the test, practice questions, test day requirements and registering online.
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Arts/Humanities or Law courses at UCD?
or Arts/Humanities courses at UCC & NUIG?

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MODULE 1
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(Essay format: 1 hour)

and

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(Multiple choice format: 1 hour)

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