

SETU Advanced Entry

What is Advanced Entry?

Advanced Entry is where an applicant has previous certified educational achievements and/or work experience that are considered directly relevant to the programme they wish to apply for. In such cases, it is possible to gain entry to the second or subsequent year of an Undergraduate programme in SETU.

What is the Application Process?

There are two separate application processes for Advanced Entry applicants as follows:

1. **Current Students of SETU**

Students who are registered in SETU in the current academic year are managed directly by SETU.

Click [Carlow & Wexford Campus](#) and [Waterford Campus](#) for further information.

2. **Applicants who are not current students of SETU**

Students who are not registered in SETU in the current academic year apply via the CAO at

www.cao.ie. Note that all relevant supporting documentation, including exam results and details of relevant work experience must be submitted via the [CAO](#).

Are International Students eligible for Advanced Entry?

International non-EU applicants who wish to be considered for Advanced Entry must apply directly through the International Office. Click [Carlow & Wexford Campus](#) and [Waterford Campus](#) for further information. Applicants who are unsure of their status should contact the International Office for advice before proceeding with an application.

How are Advanced Entry applications evaluated?

Advanced Entry applications are assessed on the basis of certified results and submission of all relevant supporting documentation. Offers are issued subject to the availability of places and in order of merit. The following are some examples of Advanced Entry:

- Applicants who have partially completed a third-level programme at a Higher Education Institution may be considered for Advanced Entry to a related SETU degree programme at an appropriate level.
- Applications will also be considered from applicants with extensive work experience from an area relevant to a SETU degree programme. In such cases, applicants must complete a Recognition of Prior Learning Form. Please see [Carlow & Wexford Campus RPL](#) and [Waterford Campus RPL](#) for further information.
- Level 6 Higher Certificate (or equivalent), will be considered for third year of a related SETU Ordinary Degree (Level 7).
- Level 7 Ordinary Degree (or equivalent), will be considered for third year of a related Honours Degree (Level 8) at SETU.
- Applicants with FETAC Level 6 or equivalent may be considered for entry to Year 2 of a Level 6 Higher Certificate or Level 7 Ordinary Degree via the Further Education Progression Scheme.

How and when are Offers made?

All valid applications are reviewed and successful candidates will receive their offer via email. The email address submitted at time of application will be the address used for all correspondence. If there are more qualified applicants than places available, SETU will rank qualified applicants and offer places in order of merit.

Acceptance of your Offer

Applicants have 14 days from the date of their offer to accept their place at the University.

Important Dates

December:	Open date for applications
31 st July:	Close date for applications
July to September:	Issue of offers to successful applicants

Applicants whose first language is not English

Instruction in SETU is through English. English language proficiency is required for all undergraduate programmes at the University. If English is not an applicant's first language, such applicants must present one of the English Language qualifications listed [here](#) as evidence of competence.

Applicants presenting Higher Education Institution Qualifications from outside of Ireland

Applicants presenting third-level qualifications from outside of Ireland must apply and have confirmed by [Quality and Qualifications Ireland \(QQI\)](#) how their third-level qualification compares to Irish qualifications on the NFQ. This service is free of charge and is an advisory service on foreign qualifications.