

Dear <student>,

We hope you have managed to have a good Easter break with your families. We want to update all students regarding the plans for face-to-face delivery after the Easter break. The Government have confirmed that current arrangements are to stay in place until at least 17 May. This means that the model of delivery you were following before Easter remains the same after Easter. We know you will be keen to get back to face to face teaching and learning, but it is essential that we follow the government guidance. We wanted to ensure we have shared the government guidance with you which states:

“At the beginning of the spring term, we prioritised the return to in-person teaching and learning for students on courses which had to be delivered in-person and which supported the pipeline of future critical key workers. We then advised providers that they could resume in-person teaching and learning for students who are studying practical or practice-based (including creative arts) subjects and require specialist equipment and facilities from 8 March. Following the review announced in the COVID-19 Response – Spring 2021 (Roadmap) of when all remaining higher education students can return to in-person teaching and learning, the Government confirms that these students should return no earlier than 17 May, alongside Step 3 of the Roadmap. As was announced in February, students and institutions will be given a week’s notice of any reopening in accordance with the timing of Step 3.”

[\(HE guidance spring term 2021 \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/92222/20210316-HE-guidance-spring-term-2021.pdf)

The following page includes a list of courses which returned to face-to-face delivery from 8th March and will continue. Please note on some courses not all levels have been invited back, so you need to check the level as well as the title.

Students on courses which remain online

- If your course is not on the list you will continue to receive online delivery. We will continually review this in line with the government guidance and keep you informed of any changes which we expect to be around May 17th;
- The click and collect book service will continue to operate to keep the number of students on site to a minimum;
- In exceptional cases it may be possible to gain access to the site, you would need permission from the Senior Management Team to allow this. You should contact your Programme Leader or Success Coach to seek this.
- We will continue to offer all support to you remotely and if you have any concerns you should contact your Programme Leader or Success Coach who will assist you.

Students on course receiving face-to-face delivery

You should continue to follow current guidance and can contact your Curriculum Managers and Programme Leaders with any questions, but here are the key things you need to continue to follow.

Teaching and Learning

You will be 'bubbled' in your course just as you were previously. This is to reduce the risk of COVID Transmission.

Your timetable is likely to be the same but your Programme Leader or Curriculum Manager will inform you of any changes.

We will try and prioritise any practical skills you have missed during lockdown.

Face Coverings

The government have asked that face coverings continue to be worn indoors where social distancing cannot be maintained. This includes our teaching spaces which means we are requesting that you continue to wear a face covering in class. Existing exemptions for students with medical conditions will still be in place as are exemptions for our hearing-impaired students and staff.

Face coverings must be worn on college transport, unless you have a legitimate exemption.

Testing:

For those students who attended face to face teaching before Easter you are still able to pick up home testing kits from the HE learning centre in UCG. All COVID testing is voluntary. For those students returning later in May, when this is confirmed, we will provide you with any testing guidance closer to the time.

Please continue to work hard in your sessions, on your assignments and stay safe. We will continue to provide updates on Government guidance over the coming weeks and look forward to being able to welcome all students back into the building in the near future.

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Debra Gray - GIFHE Principal

Courses and Levels that have returned for face-to-face delivery

| Course | Mode | Level |
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| HNC CONSTRUCTION & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT | Part Time | All |
| HNC CONSTRUCTION & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT | Part Time | All |
| HND CONSTRUCTION & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT | Full Time | All |
| HND CONSTRUCTION & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT | Full Time | All |
| HND CONSTRUCTION & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT (TOP UP) | Part Time | All |
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| BA (Hons) DESIGN | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BA (Hons) DESIGN | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) DESIGN | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BA (Hons) GAME DESIGN (GAME ART) | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BA (Hons) GAME DESIGN (GAME DEVELOPMENT) | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BA (Hons) INDEPENDENT GAMES DESIGN (GAME ART) | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) INDEPENDENT GAMES DESIGN (GAME ART) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BA (Hons) INDEPENDENT GAMES DESIGN (GAME DEVELOPMENT) | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) INDEPENDENT GAMES DESIGN (GAME DEVELOPMENT) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| FdA TV PRODUCTION | Full Time | Level 4 |
| FdA TV PRODUCTION | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) TV PRODUCTION (TOP UP) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| FdSc DIGITAL AND TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS | Full Time | Level 4 |
| FdSc COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BSc (Hons) COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES (TOP UP) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BA (Hons) HUMAN SCALE PROP MAKING | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) MUSIC PRODUCTION | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BA (Hons) MUSIC PRODUCTION | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) MUSIC PRODUCTION | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BA (Hons) POPULAR MUSIC PERFORMANCE | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BA (Hons) POPULAR MUSIC PERFORMANCE | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) POPULAR MUSIC PERFORMANCE | Full Time | Level 6 |
| FdA PERFORMING ARTS | Full Time | Level 4 |
| FdA PERFORMING ARTS | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) PERFORMING ARTS (TOP UP) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| FdA PHOTOGRAPHY | Full Time | Level 4 |
| FdA PHOTOGRAPHY | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) PHOTOGRAPHY (TOP UP) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BA (Hons) SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKE UP DESIGN AND PROSTHETICS | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BA (Hons) SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKE UP DESIGN AND PROSTHETICS | Full Time | Level 5 |
| BA (Hons) SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKE UP DESIGN AND PROSTHETICS | Full Time | Level 6 |
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| CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION: Teaching in the Education, Training and Skills Sector | Full Time | All |
| CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION: Teaching in the Education, Training and Skills Sector | Part Time | All |
| POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION: Teaching in the Education, Training and Skills Sector | Full Time | All |
| POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION: Teaching in the Education, Training and Skills Sector | Part Time | All |
| PROFESSIONAL GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION: Teaching in the Education, Training and Skills Sector | Full Time | All |
| PROFESSIONAL GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION: Teaching in the Education, Training and Skills Sector | Part Time | All |
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| BSc (Hons) NURSING (ADULT) GIFHE | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BSc (Hons) NURSING (ADULT) GIFHE | Full Time | Level 4 |
| BSc (Hons) PSYCHOLOGY | Full Time | Level 5 |
| FdA COUNSELLING STUDIES | Full Time | Level 4 |
| FdA COUNSELLING STUDIES | Full Time | Level 5 |
| FdSc MENTAL HEALTH STUDIES (CLINICAL) | Full Time | Level 5 |
| FdSc PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE STUDIES | Full Time | Level 4 |
| FdSc PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE STUDIES | Full Time | Level 5 |
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| BSc (Hons) ENGINEERING TOP-UP (ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BSc (Hons) ENGINEERING TOP-UP (ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING) | Part Time | Level 6 |
| BSc (Hons) ENGINEERING TOP-UP (MECHANICAL ENGINEERING) | Full Time | Level 6 |
| BSc (Hons) ENGINEERING TOP-UP (MECHANICAL ENGINEERING) | Part Time | Level 6 |
| HNC ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING | Full Time | All |
| HNC ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING | Part Time | All |
| HNC ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING | Part Time | All |
| HNC MECHANICAL ENGINEERING | Full Time | All |
| HNC MECHANICAL ENGINEERING | Part Time | All |
| HNC MECHANICAL ENGINEERING | Part Time | All |
| HND ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING (TOP UP) | Full Time | All |
| HND ENGINEERING (TOP UP) | Full Time | All |
| HND ENGINEERING (TOP UP) | Part Time | All |
| HNC MARINE ENGINEERING | Full Time | All |
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| FdSc FOOTBALL COACHING & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT | Full Time | Level 5 |
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