

**Careers Bulletin - May**

**Careers Room Opening Hours:**  
**Pupils are invited to visit the Careers Room between**  
**8.50am and 5pm**

**Year 14**

**Student Accommodation lists for Ulster University and Queen's University Belfast have been posted on the noticeboard on the recreation floor of the Sixth Form Centre.**

**Year 14: Belfast Met - Level 5 Courses**

**Applications for Level 5 courses at Belfast Met are open.**

**Offers are made on a first come, first served basis.**

**All pupils are encouraged to submit an application.**

**RANDOX - Higher Level Apprenticeships**

**Randox currently have TWO Higher Level Apprenticeships (HLA's) available for A-Level students who maybe don't want to go down the traditional University route and want to 'Earn as they Learn' with on the job training and one day at their partnered colleges.**

**At Randox, we offer the following TWO HLA's:**

**COURSE : Software Engineering**

**COLLEGE : Belfast Met**

**STARTING DATE: September 2017**

**COURSE: Applied Science**

**COLLEGE: Southern Regional College**

**STARTING DATE: September 2017**

**Both HLA course offered at Randox are accredited by Ulster University and allow progression into Year 2 of courses. To apply to the HLA's, students need to submit their interest by emailing [recruitment@randox.com](mailto:recruitment@randox.com).**

**This is an exciting and fantastic opportunity for students to join and gain experience as well as allowing students to have input into a range of diverse projects with a world leading company based here in Northern Ireland.**

**If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jordan McCullough | Human Resources**

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### **Year 14 SCHOLARSHIP - Queen's University Belfast**

**Queen's University Belfast are delighted to have been invited to join the Lloyds Scholars Programme. This is a fantastic opportunity for students who are successful in their undergraduate application to Queen's as it leads to a range of support including an annual bursary of £1000, paid internships and one-to-one advice from a Lloyds mentor. Applications will open in early May and there are fifteen Lloyds Scholar places available for Queen's students starting in 2017.**

**As Ballymena Academy is a Queen's Academy School we would be keen to support your Year 14 pupils who meet the criteria (which includes residential household income under £25k) and who have applied to Queen's.**

**Please contact Christine at [Christine.Boyd@qub.ac.uk](mailto:Christine.Boyd@qub.ac.uk) for more information and guidance on completing the form.**

### **Year 14 : CAO Applications**

**Change of mind Closing Date - 1st July 2017 at 5.15pm**

**Visit [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie)**

**Round One offers will be available on the CAO website from 6.00 am on Monday 21st August. CAO will post Round One Offers to arrive with applicants on Monday 21st August. The Reply Date for acceptance will be 5.15pm on Monday 28th August.**

**Round Two offers will be posted on Wednesday 30th August and will be available on the website from 6.00 am on Thursday 31st August.**

**The Reply Date for acceptance of Round Two offers will be Wednesday 6th September.**

**Year 13 and 14 pupils - Work as a Care Assistant this summer in your area with Home care Independent Living**

**Unlimited and flexible hours**

**Earn from £7.50 to £8.50 an hour**

**Applicants must have a Full Valid Driving Licence**

**Text JOBS to 60777**

**[www.hcil.com](http://www.hcil.com)**

**Freephone 0800 542 3276**

**Year 13**

**Alternative BMAT test session in September 2017**

**We have introduced an alternative BMAT test session taking place on Saturday 9 September 2017. This will allow test-takers the opportunity to take BMAT and receive their results prior to making their UCAS application.**

**You can find more details on the BMAT website.**

**Applicants must only take the test once, either in September or November. Applicants can choose which test date they want to take BMAT on.**

**Applicants should check that all institutions to which they are applying accept their chosen test session.**

**Which organisations accept BMAT – September results?**

**All universities/courses that accept the November results will also accept September results, with some exceptions including:**

**· University of Oxford will only accept results from the November session for A100 Medicine and BC98 Biomedical Sciences.**

**However, A101 Graduate Medicine will accept both September or November results.**

**Where will the BMAT – September session take place?**

**Your centre won't be asked to run this new test session. The BMAT – September session will only take place at around 20 selected test centres in the UK.**

**Full details of the tests centres will be added to the BMAT website soon.**

**Are there any changes to the BMAT – November test session?  
No. Test-takers can still take BMAT in November at test centres around the world, including your centre (Ballymena Academy). This session will run as in previous years, on Thursday 2 November 2017.**

**Pupils who may wish to sit the BMAT should keep in touch with Dr Livingston to keep up-to-date on this new initiative.**

### **Airport Work Placement**

**Anyone who might be considering an Airport work placement in Year 13 should speak to Mr Patterson in the Library. These placements are extremely popular and limited. The company that arranges them for George Best City Airport already has requests for October 2017, January 2018 and February 2018 so you are encouraged to add your name to a waiting list now.**

### **Specsavers - Ballymena**

**Specsavers in Ballymena is currently recruiting Optometry students who are keen to make a positive difference to the experience of Specsavers customers. You will help customers to select spectacles and contact lenses, which suit their lifestyle and their needs.**

**We are looking for approachable, friendly people who enjoy working with people. Previous retail experience is preferable though not essential, as you will receive full training in line with our commitment to the development of our staff.**

**We will also accept applications from non-Optometry students if a suitable applicant is interested.**

**Please submit your C.V. for the attention of “The Management Team”, Specsavers Opticians, Unit 34 Fairhill Shopping Centre Ballymena. BT43 6UF.**

**Important update for students regarding the University of Edinburgh Medicine admissions requirements for A-Level applicants:**

**We have removed our requirement for a fourth subject at AS for entry to MBChB Medicine for students applying for entry in 2018. The minimum academic requirement for students taking A levels will be AAA. The details of our revised entry requirements can be seen on our Undergraduate Degree Finder in the Entry Requirements drop down.**

**Undergraduate Degree Finder – Medicine MBChB**

**There is no change to our entry requirement for 2017 entry or for other qualification types.**

**It would be greatly appreciated if you could pass on this change to any of your students considering studying Medicine. We want to ensure that they are made aware of this change and to avoid any confusion.**

**If you have any questions about these requirements I would recommend contacting our Medical Admissions Team directly at [medug@ed.ac.uk](mailto:medug@ed.ac.uk)**

**Ian Sutherland**

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**Web : [www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment](http://www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment)**

**Year 13 Pupils**

**Year 13 pupils should see Mr G Patterson to register for any of the following events:**

- 1. Cambridge Summer School - Provisional dates are 26th - 28th June**
- 2. Oxford Residential - 26th - 28th June**

**Pupils are encouraged to organise individual visits to universities they intend to apply to in Scotland, England and Wales.**

For a comprehensive list of open days visit [www.opendays.com](http://www.opendays.com) and [www.heloa.ac.uk/Scotland](http://www.heloa.ac.uk/Scotland)

**University of Aberdeen – [www.abdn.ac.uk/openday](http://www.abdn.ac.uk/openday) Saturday 26 August and Saturday 21 October  
17 June (Medicine only)**

**Abertay University – [www.abertay.ac.uk](http://www.abertay.ac.uk)  
Saturday 21 October and Wednesday 8 November**

**University of Dundee – [www.dundee.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.dundee.ac.uk/opendays) Monday 28 August & Saturday 23 September**

**University of Edinburgh – [www.ed.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.ed.ac.uk/opendays) Friday 9 June, Saturday 23 September and Saturday 7 October**

**Edinburgh Napier University – [www.napier.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.napier.ac.uk/opendays) 12 June (Sighthill), 14 June (Craiglockhart), 16 June (Merchiston), Saturday 14 October (all campuses)**

**University of Glasgow – [glasgow.ac.uk/opendays](http://glasgow.ac.uk/opendays) Glasgow campus: 15 June, 30 August, 21 October Dumfries campus: 23 June, 7 September, 28 October**

**Glasgow Caledonian University – [www.gcu.ac.uk/openday](http://www.gcu.ac.uk/openday) Friday 1 September and Saturday 7 October**

**Heriot-Watt University – [www.hw.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.hw.ac.uk/opendays) 30 September & 27 October (Edinburgh Campus)  
7 October & 17 November (Scottish Borders Campus)**

**Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh – [www.qmu.ac.uk](http://www.qmu.ac.uk) Thursday 31 August and Saturday 30 September**

**Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen – [www.rgu.ac.uk](http://www.rgu.ac.uk) Saturday 2 September and Wednesday 11 October**

**University of St Andrews – [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/ug/meet-us/visiting-days](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/ug/meet-us/visiting-days)  
4 October, 18 October, 25 October, 1 November, 15 November**

**Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) – [www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays) vary. Check online for details.**

**University of Stirling – <http://stir.ac.uk/5f> Saturday 17 June, Saturday 16 September and Saturday 28 October**

**University of Strathclyde – [www.strath.ac.uk/openday](http://www.strath.ac.uk/openday) Tuesday 5 September and Saturday 7 October**

**University of the West of Scotland – [www.uws.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.uws.ac.uk/opendays)**

**UWS offers Open Days across 4 campuses.**

**Please check the website for more information.**

### **Medicine and Dentistry Applicants**

**The UK Clinical Aptitude Test (UKCAT) is designed to identify those applicants with the strongest aptitude for a career in medicine or dentistry. Ballymena Academy organise a Kaplan UKCAT Preparation course. Pupils will be taught by Kaplan-trained teachers over 2 days, using Kaplan's proven strategies and techniques. It will review certain relevant material taught in school/college, within the context of the exam. Follow-up academic support will be provided right up until test day.**

**A maximum of 25 pupils can be accommodated on this course. This number is stated by the organisers KAPLAN. The cost per pupil will depend on the total number taking part in the course. The more pupils that participate the cheaper it will work out per pupil.**

**Anyone interested should speak to Mr Patterson.**

### **Mini Medical School**

**Dates: Thursday 20th – Friday 21st July 2017, Thursday 17th – Friday 18th August 2017**

**Time: 9.00am – 5.00pm**

**Cost: £120.00 inc VAT, Materials and Lunch**

**Location: Training Academy, 10 Falcon Way, Boucher Road, Belfast, BT12 6SQ**

**The Mini Medical School runs over 2 full days and includes interactive lectures as well as practical training. This unique opportunity is open to anyone over the age of 15, all delegates who “graduate” from the Mini Medical School will receive a certificate of attendance. The programme is delivered by clinical tutors, consultant physicians and senior lecturers.**

**Our two-day programme includes:**

- Basic Anatomy**
- Consent and Confidentiality**
- Tomorrow's Doctors**

- **Entry into Medical School**
- **Clinical Skills**
- **CPR/AED**
- **Laparoscopic Skills Stations**
- **Patient Safety**

**Application and Interview Skills Package for Medical and Dental Students**

**3fivetwo Training Academy are Northern Ireland's leading experts in the application and interview process for medical, dental and veterinary schools. Our courses have achieved a 90%+ success rate in student acceptances to Medical, Dental and Veterinary Schools. We offer a discounted rate for students who would like to avail of our "Application and Interview Skills Package for Medical and Dental students ". The package includes 3 courses for £270.00, which is an overall saving of £54.00 compared to booking the courses individually.**

**This package includes:**

- 1. Effective Personal Statement Writing Workshop**
- 2. UKCAT Preparation Course**
- 3. Interview Skills Course for Students Applying to Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary**

**Bookings and more information can be found online <http://www.3fivetwotraining.com/> or by phone on 02890 735 273.**

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**Interview Skills for Students Applying to Medicine, Veterinary or Dentistry**

**Dates: Saturday 23rd September 2017, Saturday 21st October 2017, Saturday 11th November 2017, Saturday 25th November 2017**

**Cost: £195.00 inc VAT**

**This highly interactive course is an essential part of your preparation in the application and interview process for Medical , Dental & Veterinary School. It is hosted by experienced NHS Consultant Physicians, Dental Surgeons and Senior Lecturers who have been involved in this process for a number of**



years. This offers you the opportunity to gain insight from people who have the expertise and experience to help you succeed at interview.

### **UKCAT Preparation Course**

**Dates: Saturday 15th July 2017, Saturday 29th 2017, Sunday 6th August 2017, Saturday 12th August 2017, Saturday 2nd September 2017, Saturday 9th September 2017**

**Cost: £84.00 inc VAT**

**Our interactive course is delivered by educational tutors who will equip students with test strategies and practice questions. Students will cover practice questions from all of 5 sections of the exam and will have the opportunity to learn how the correct answer is derived.**

### **Personal Statement Workshop**

**Dates: Friday 25th August 2017, Thursday 7th September 2017, Saturday 16th September 2017**

**Cost: £45.00 inc VAT**

**This workshop helps students acquire the skills, knowledge and confidence required to write a strong and relevant personal statement for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science. This practical session focuses on identifying strengths and achievements, using an appropriate structure.**

### **UKCAT and Personal Statement Workshop**

**Dates: Sunday 23rd July 2017, Saturday 19th August 2017**

**Cost: £120.00 inc VAT**

**Our interactive course is delivered by educational tutors who will equip students with test strategies and practice questions. Students will cover practice questions from all of 5 sections of the exam and will have the opportunity to learn how the correct answer is derived. This workshop helps students acquire the skills, knowledge and confidence required to write a strong and relevant personal statement for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science. This practical session focuses on identifying strengths and achievements, using an appropriate structure.**

**Bookings can be made online <http://3fivetwotraining.com/> or by phone on 02890 735 273.**

### **Year 9 to Year 13 - WIDENING PARTICIPATION IN MEDICINE**

The British Medical Association (BMA) is holding a widening participation in medicine event on 10 October 2017 in Riddel Hall, Belfast.

The BMA is committed to ensuring that medicine is a career that is studied by anyone who wishes to become a doctor, regardless of their social or economic background. Our report 'The Right Mix' (available on this web-link - <http://www.bma.org.uk/features/therightmix/>) sets out the importance of widening participation in medicine and identifies barriers that can result in young people not studying medicine.

10 of our pupils who may be interested in studying medicine are invited to Riddel Hall, Queen's University Belfast on Tuesday 10 October 2017, from 11am -1pm. The event is open to pupils from year 9 to year 13.

This will be a unique opportunity to speak face-to-face with doctors and medical students. Sessions will be as interactive and helpful as possible. In addition, students will be given the opportunity to experience some simple clinical techniques. There is no charge for this event, and lunch will also be provided.

**INTERESTED PUPILS SHOULD SPEAK WITH DR LIVINGSTON**

### **Edge Hill Summer Residential - Year 13 pupils**

This is an opportunity for Year 13 students to undertake university level academic work, meet with current students, stay in the on-campus halls of residence and prepare for a future in Higher Education on a fully funded Summer Residence. For further information including details on what to expect from the academic sessions for each subject area and how to apply, visit:

[ehu.ac.uk/yr12res](http://ehu.ac.uk/yr12res) or email [residentials@edgehill.ac.uk](mailto:residentials@edgehill.ac.uk)

July 31st - August 3rd:

Advertising & Design, Animation, Creative Writing, Creative Performance, Dance, English, Film & TV Production, History, Music, Musical Theatre, Public Relations, Social Sciences, Sport and Physical Activity

August 7th - 10th:

Biology, Business/Economics/Accountancy/ Marketing , Computer Science, Education and Teaching - Early Years and Primary, Education and Teaching -

Secondary, Geography, Geology, Health and Social Care, Law, Criminology and Policing, Psychology.

### **VETSIM Intensive**

**A 2 day practical workshop for Year 13 students wanting to study veterinary medicine.**

**15th/16th July at the University of Nottingham**

**Book your place at [www.workshop-conferences.com](http://www.workshop-conferences.com)**

### **MEDSIM Intensive**

**A 2 day practical workshop for Year 13 students wanting to study medicine.**

**15th/16th July at the University of Nottingham.**

**Book your place at [www.medlink-uk.net](http://www.medlink-uk.net)**

### **Queen's Pharmacy Event at Ballymena Academy - 16th May**

**The annual Queen's pharmacy event will be taking place in school on the 16th May - again mainly for junior pupils but the pharmacy lecturer and students will be available to talk to senior pupils at 3.25pm.**

**See Mrs Kerr for more details.**

### **University of London Taster Courses**

The Taster Course Programme provides year 12 sixth form students with a taste of what life at a university in London is like. Through your chosen taster course participants will experience the different teaching methods used and gain an insight into the additional facilities available, whilst meeting students from across the UK. This year we are offering the following courses:

\* Wednesday 31st May 2017 - Veterinary Nursing Taster Course

Applications are essential and can be completed at: [www.london.ac.uk/tasters](http://www.london.ac.uk/tasters). NB: For students not interested in the RVC; There are over a hundred courses in multiple subject areas at numerous universities in and around London.

### RVC Open House (Campus Tours)

Our Open House events are designed to allow prospective student, parents, teachers and careers advisors the chance to see one or both campuses on the same day. During the Open House, guests will have an introductory talk, giving an insight into the courses we offer at the RVC and how to apply. Guests will then tour the campus with student ambassadors. There will be opportunities to see the teaching and clinical facilities, to ask questions and gain a flavour of life at the RVC. This differs from our Annual Open day in that there will not be an opportunity to meet academic staff.

- \* Sunday 4th June 2017 (9:30am - 4:00pm)
- \* Saturday 1st July 2017 (9:30am - 4:00pm)

Booking is essential and can be completed at: [www.rvc.ac.uk/visitus](http://www.rvc.ac.uk/visitus)

### Open Day

This Open Day is intended for anyone interested in our undergraduate courses, including students of all ages, parents, careers advisors, and teachers. Guests will be able to find out about the courses we offer and take a tour of the campus with current students. Staff will be available to advise you on entry requirements, fees, bursaries, and accommodation.

- \* Saturday 6th May 2017 - Open Day (10:00am - 3:30pm) – Hawkshead Campus
- \* Booking is essential and will be possible from 10:00am on 6th March at: [www.rvc.ac.uk/visitus](http://www.rvc.ac.uk/visitus)

### Pre-Vet Summer School

This 2 week residential summer school is for students (over 16 years) interested in working with likeminded aspiring Veterinary students in our state-of-the-art hospitals and research facilities, as well as learn from our world recognised academic staff through a variety of workshops and academic sessions. This event costs £2,350, which includes accommodation, breakfast, lunch and evening meals, as well as social activities.

- \* Sunday 30th July – Friday 11th August 2017 – Pre-Vet Summer School – Hawkshead Campus
- \* Applications are essential and will be possible until 10th May 2017 at: [www.rvc.ac.uk/prevetsummer](http://www.rvc.ac.uk/prevetsummer)

If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to get in touch via email: [chobson@rvc.ac.uk](mailto:chobson@rvc.ac.uk) or telephone: +44(0)20 7468 1257 / +44(0)7809 199 993.

## **Thinking of applying to Oxford?**

Visit [ox.ac.uk/study](http://ox.ac.uk/study) for details of courses, colleges and how to apply, along with information on resources, support and funding available .

This site also has contact details for colleges, departments, museums and the Admissions Information Centre.

## **APPLICATIONS**

As you start your final term of this academic year, keep in mind that the deadline for applying to study at Oxford for 2018 will be coming up quickly after the summer holidays. Students wanting to apply for 2018 will need to register for one or more of our admissions tests as well as complete a UCAS application, and the deadline for both of these requirements is 6pm (UK time) on Sunday 15 October. (There is an earlier deadline for the LNAT for Law.)

Important information is available on our tests page.

During the summer, it's a good idea to begin writing a personal statement and also to finalise research on your chosen course and college. There are lots of resources for students, parents and teachers on our website to help everyone find out everything they need to know about studying here.

## **OPEN DAYS**

**Oxford's main University open days this year will be on Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 June and Friday 15 September.**

**The open days are a brilliant opportunity to visit all the departments and colleges that teach undergraduates, as well as the libraries, museums and other services that support our students. Tutors are available to tell your students more about our different courses (they may need to book in advance to attend these sessions), and there'll also be plenty of current students on hand to give the inside story about studying here.**

**For all information about open days, please see [ox.ac.uk/opendays](http://ox.ac.uk/opendays). You may also like to check our events diary for information on other events.**

## **Events in Oxford**

26-28 June: Northern Ireland Residential

New College and St. Catherine's College are delighted to inform you that we will be co-hosting a residential summer school again this year for Year 13 (lower sixth) students from Northern Ireland, and their teachers. The residential programme will begin in the evening of Monday 26 June and participants will be welcome to arrive from mid-afternoon that day. The formal programme of events will finish on the evening of Tuesday 27 June, but the University of Oxford Open Days will take place on Wednesday 28 June and Thursday 29 June. Participants in the N Ireland

residential are encouraged to take part in one or both of the Open Days, and will therefore be welcome to leave at any point between the Wednesday and Friday mornings. New College and St. Catherine's hope it will be an ideal opportunity for prospective applicants to find out more about life at Oxford. There will be a limited number of places available, so please do not book flights until you have applied and your places at the residential have been confirmed.

### **DCU McAleese Scholarships**

Applicants for the McAleese Scholarship must have a permanent home address in Northern Ireland and successful applicants will gain one of forty reserved places across a number of DCU undergraduate programmes.

The applicants must meet DCU minimum entry requirements and specific programme entry requirements.

To find out more about studying at DCU or the DCU Academic Scholarships, visit <http://www4.dcu.ie/prospective/scholarships.shtml>.

### **Trinity College Dublin : Feasibility Study**

For students from Northern Ireland taking A-levels, please consult the pages on the Feasibility Study for A-Level Admissions at: [www.tcd.ie/study/eu/undergraduate/apply/northern-ireland](http://www.tcd.ie/study/eu/undergraduate/apply/northern-ireland) and [www.tcd.ie/study/eu/undergraduate/apply/northern-ireland/al\\_feasibility](http://www.tcd.ie/study/eu/undergraduate/apply/northern-ireland/al_feasibility))

### **University of Dundee**

We offer Academic Excellence for students achieving AAB above or equivalent for 2017 entry and hopefully beyond. Please find full information below: <https://www.dundee.ac.uk/study/scholarships/2017-sept/academic-excellence-ruk/>

### **University of Aberdeen**

We have a merit scholarship available to £9250 fee paying students who get AAB (or equivalent) at A levels. However this is not available to students applying to Medicine unfortunately. Students can receive £1000 for 4 years of study.

Students do not need to apply for this scholarship, once they have started in September we have a look at who is eligible and then get in touch with them.

We have an online funding database which details other scholarships we have links with too.  
<https://www.abdn.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/scholarshipsandfunding.php#rest-of-uk-ruk-undergraduate-scholarships-2017-entry-only>

T: +44 (0) 1224 272090  
E: [ukteam@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:ukteam@abdn.ac.uk)  
W: [www.abdn.ac.uk](http://www.abdn.ac.uk)

### **University of Glasgow**

Our two main awards for students from Northern Ireland are the RUK Excellence Scholarship - subject to students attaining three As or equivalent in their exams. This is not based on household income.

We also have the Welcome Bursary which is awarded dependent on household income.

However, there are a range of more niche scholarships that student may be eligible to apply to:

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/scholarships/>

You will find information regarding scholarships and bursaries for students from Northern Ireland on the page: <http://www.gla.ac.uk/scholarships/englandwalesandnorthernireland/>

### **Strathclyde**

Accommodation Bursary: £1000 deducted from the cost of university accommodation in 1st year

Strathclyde Excellence Scholarship: £1000 per year of study for AAB or equivalent students

Strathclyde Science Scholars: £500 per year of study (application required)

Deans Rest of UK Merit Scholarship: £500 per year of study for ABB students within Humanities and Social Sciences

Information on all of the above can be found on our scholarship database [www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/scholarships/](http://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/scholarships/)

e: [joanna.craig@strath.ac.uk](mailto:joanna.craig@strath.ac.uk)

p: 0141 548 2989

### **Heriot Watt Academic Scholarship**

This academic scholarship is not income assessed but seeks to reward and encourage high achieving students. For more information on the grade requirements please visit <https://www.hw.ac.uk/study/scholarships/heriot-watt-academic-scholarship.htm>

### **Electrical Apprenticeships**

Visit [www.collegesni.ac.uk](http://www.collegesni.ac.uk) for details of all the Further Education Colleges currently delivering the Skills to Succeed Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Installing Electrotechnical Systems and Equipment.

## **NORTHERN Regional College**

### **Ballymena Ballymoney Coleraine Larne Magherafelt Newtownabbey**

Online applications are now open for all of our courses starting in September 2017.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact:

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Marketing Communication Co-ordinator

Coleraine Campus

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Email: michelle.bellingham@nrc.ac.uk

Web: www.nrc.ac.uk

## **Apprenticeships**

[RateMyApprenticeship.co.uk](http://RateMyApprenticeship.co.uk) has 10,000 reviews written by people who have taken alternative routes to university, including amazing apprenticeships, school leaver programmes and exciting ways to gain experience on gap years.

So for some career inspiration visit [RateMyApprenticeship.co.uk](http://RateMyApprenticeship.co.uk)

## **CAFRE Higher Education Prospectus**

Visit [www.cafre.ac.uk](http://www.cafre.ac.uk)

## **NUI Galway - Summer Schools**

NUI Galway is offering hands-on and interactive Summer Schools in Business, Computing/IT, Engineering, Law and Science.

Booking is now open.

Visit [www.nuigalway.ie/summer-schools](http://www.nuigalway.ie/summer-schools) for more information.

## **NI Students at universities in Republic facing Brexit fees hike**

### **Ref: Belfast Telegraph Thursday May 4 2017**

"Students from NI who attend universities in the Republic may face fees of tens of thousands of euro following Brexit.

There is currently a capped charge of £2,500 at Irish universities for EU students.

However when Northern Ireland leaves the EU along with the rest of the UK, fears



have been voiced that NI students could be charged the significantly higher fees that non-EU students must pay.

Irish education minister Richard Bruton said current students from the EU and those applying to courses starting in 2017-18 will not see any changes to their loan eligibility or tuition fee status. This position will apply for the full duration of the course, even if the course finishes after the UK has left the EU.

However there has not been any similar reassurances for those who apply after 2017-18."