



CAO Timetable of Events*

2020	
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CAO 2021 Handbooks delivered to schools
October	
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CAO online application facility opens on 5 November at 12:00 noon• Change of Course Choices (free) facility opens on 5 November at 12:00 noon
December	
2021	
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discounted application fee (€30 fee) available up to 20 January at 5:15pm
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Normal closing date for applications (€45 fee) is 1 February at 5:15pm• Online Change of Course Choices (free) facility closes 1 February at 5:15pm• Online facility to amend course choices becomes available (€10 fee) on 5 February at noon
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closing date for amending course choices is 1 March at 5:15pm• Most tests and interviews for restricted courses are held in March and April• Closing date for final completion of online DARE/HEAR forms is 1 March at 5:15pm• Closing date for completion of Mature Applicant section of CAO form is 1 March at 5:15pm• Late application facility opens on 5 March at 12:00 noon• DARE/HEAR supporting documentation to arrive in CAO before 15 March at 5:15pm
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Most tests and interviews for restricted courses are held in March and April
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closing date for late applications is 1 May at 5:15pm• Online Change of Mind (free) facility becomes available on 5 May at 12:00 noon (expected date)• Statement of Application Record sent to all applicants before end of May. Inform CAO if you do not receive it.
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leaving Certificate examinations
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Change of Mind Closes on 1 July at 5:15pm• Round A offers for certain categories of applicant e.g. mature, deferral, etc. are issued in early July• Exceptional closing date for late applications for those already attending a participating HEI is 22 July at 5:15pm
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Round Zero offers for certain categories of applicant issued in early August• Current year Leaving Certificate results issued (date to be confirmed)• Round One offers (date to be confirmed)• HEIs begin registration
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HEIs begin registration• Results of Leaving Certificate appeals released (date to be confirmed)• Offer season ends (date to be confirmed)

Tá leagan Gaeilge den Lámhleabhar seo ar fáil.

Updates to the handbook, such as new courses and cancelled courses, may be viewed on the CAO website. Go to www.cao.ie, click on 'CAO Handbook' and see the table with the title 'Important Changes'.

*Dates may be subject to change. For the most up-to-date information please visit the Important Dates section of www.cao.ie