

# Griffith College's on-campus classes commencing 21st September 2020

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We in the College would like to share a number of important updates with you, as we continue to prepare for the return to College on Monday 21st of September.

## Government Update

We have been informed that the Department of Education and Skills are developing guidelines, support and resources which will be provided to colleges over the coming weeks. We are committed to sharing timely updates with you as these plans develop.

## Return to College Planning

We have a core team working diligently throughout the summer to prepare for the reopening of the College with the safety and wellbeing of our learners, staff, residents and community as a top priority. There will be increased hygiene points, sneeze screens and that some level of social distancing is likely to remain in place. Our ambition is to have all learners physically return to College with adapted health and safety measures in September. This is an evolving situation, which will be steered by government guidelines as they are released.

We are preparing for all eventualities and to provide as much flexibility to you so all lectures will be delivered in-person in lecture rooms along with being live streamed and every lecture recorded.

Should a second wave occur, we have made sure that all our lecturers and staff are fully resourced to continue on-line delivery if needed.

We will continue to keep you updated over the summer months, so for now please enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to welcoming you back on campus, in person, on Monday 21st of September.

## Want to know more?

To learn more about our teaching and learning plans for next year, and how our combination of on-campus and technology-enabled learning can help you balance your studies with your social life, home and work commitments, please contact our Admissions team at [admissions@griffith.ie](mailto:admissions@griffith.ie).

Our teams in Dublin, Cork and Limerick are available on-campus and online over the summer months and throughout the academic year. You're welcome to visit our campuses at any time, by simply following our health and safety protocols. Please email us on [admissions@griffith.ie](mailto:admissions@griffith.ie) or call us on +353-1-4150400 and we will be delighted to make the necessary arrangements.

We are looking forward to welcoming you on-campus and online over the coming months and to the start of our next semester in September.

Questions? See our FAQs.

## Summer plans and 2020/21

### Semester Results

End of semester results will be released on Wednesday, July 1st

### Repeat Assessments and/or Examinations

- Faculties will be in contact with learners in relation to deferred or repeat assessments
- Repeat examinations will be held in August (schedule to be released shortly by the faculties)
- Repeat examinations will follow the same format as the May 2020 examinations and will be held online

### Academic Year 2020/21

- For returning learners, the academic year 2020/21 is scheduled to start on September 21st. It will follow the same format as before with 12 teaching weeks and a reading week in November.
- The schedule for new entrants to first-year full-time programmes awaits further information from the CAO and the Department of Education.
- The schedule for other new entrants (e.g. postgraduate, undergraduate part-time, blended) starts on September 21st.

### Programme Delivery in 2020/21

*For programmes that previously used on-campus face-to-face delivery*

- The college intends to deliver as much of the teaching, learning and assessment experience as possible using on-campus face-to-face delivery, subject to prevailing government health and safety advice.
- The college's programmes will be supported with online capture, recording and engagement to facilitate all learners.
- The college is investing significantly in additional on-campus and online resources to further enhance programme delivery and overall learner experience in 2020/21.

### Graduation

*For learners who have completed their awards*

- The college is proposing that its graduation ceremonies will take place in November in line with the previously agreed schedule.
- The precise format of the graduation ceremonies will be determined at a later date following consideration of the likely prevailing health and safety advice, and the experience learnt from other colleges and universities nationally and internationally.