

Use of Dictionaries in Examinations

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Erasmus and Visiting International Students

Use of own language-English/English-own language dictionaries may be permitted for Erasmus students who are attending Maynooth University as part of their studies in their home university. These may not be electronic. Departments may wish to revoke this ruling for certain, specified modules (e.g. language or translation type examinations). This will be clearly displayed at the front of the examination paper.

International Students

International students pursuing full-time undergraduate or postgraduate degrees are expected to have a competent standard of English prior to admission. These students are not permitted to use dictionaries or other aids to complete examinations.

Extra time will not be granted to such students unless merited on other, documented circumstances.

Permissible Use of Dictionaries

Since Summer 2004, all examination halls have been equipped with English dictionaries which are available for consultation by students.

For certain language examinations, departments may wish to allow all students make use of a translation dictionary. The rubric on the examination paper should indicate this clearly and, if appropriate, state the specific edition/version of dictionary permissible.

Electronic Dictionaries or any substitute devices are not permitted.