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First Steps in Exploring Your Career Options...

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How the Careers and Employability Service supports you!

- Explore your career options subject choice, career ideas
- Postgraduate Study questions/options
- Search for jobs and internships
- Start building your CV & develop your interview skills
- Attend employer, alumni and career events and workshops
- Open to all students from 1st year to postgraduate never too early to start!
- Use **Careers Connect** to engage with us
 - Appointments (In-Person, MS Teams, Phonecalls)
 - Send us your Questions
- Drop-in Help-desk (Term-Time) for quick questions



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Planning your next step

Generating career options

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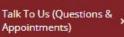
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Subject choice

- Careers Information
- Required subjects for specific careers?
- Research what is involved in subjects
- Key Message follow your interests









TIPS FOR SUBJECT CHOICE

GOOD TO KNOW....

- Graduate Recruiters actively engage with us seeking to recruit Maynooth University students/graduates
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- For many roles employers are more interested in your grades and experience than your subjects
- Recruitment cycles begin early in final year so it is never to early to start using your Careers Service
- Getting experience in the years before final year is very useful...(it looks good on your CV and helps you clarify what you enjoy doing).

WHEN UNSURE ... FOLLOW YOUR INTERESTS



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Careers Information

https://www.maynoothuniversity. ie/careers/students/informationand-resources

http://gradireland.com/careersectors







More Ideas

Graduate Stories

Careers Website



Careers Interest Tests





Psychometric Testing

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Careers Interest Tests

Careers Interest Tests, Psychometric Tests & Self-Assessment Tests: use the Assessment Tests below to identify your characteristics and to generate career options that match.

Prospects Planner

As a job exploration tool, Prospects Planner aims to help you to:

- · Identify what you want out of a job.
- Generate and evaluate job ideas.
- · Identify what you can offer to the job/employer.
- Compare options and identify the right types of jobs to apply for.

Profiling for Success

This is an assessment tool which explores skills, interests, personality and learning styles. Use your Maynooth University email address to log in <u>here: Profiling for Success</u>. When you have completed the tests your report will be emailed to you.

Available Tests:

- Verbal Analogies (v1)
- Numerical Reasoning Tutorial Test (vA)
- Verbal Reasoning Tutorial Test (vA)
- Abstract Reasoning Tutorial Test (vA)
- Situational Judgement Tutorial Test (v1)
- Numerical Reasoning Practice (2019) (v3)
- Verbal Reasoning Practice (2019) (v3)
- Abstract Reasoning Practice (2019) (v3)
- Learning Styles Indicator (vI)
- Type Dynamics Indicator Form O (vI)
- Values-based Indicator of Motivation (v1)
- Career Interest Inventory (Dodec) (v1)

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Psychometric Testing

Profiling for Success

Below are the assessments you have either purchased or been asked to complete by a (prospective) employer or your university. Simply click on the "Take test" buttons to get started.

Numerical Reasoning Practice Test (NRP)

This test is a parallel version of tests used by employers to assess your ability to recognise, interpret and solve numerical problems. Your pdf report gives you your percentile against a large sample of UK University students.

Take test

Verbal Reasoning Practice Test (VRP)

This is a parallel version of tests used by employers to assess your ability to think logically and critically about written information. Your pdf report gives you your percentile against a large sample of UK University students.

Take test

Abstract Reasoning Practice Test (ARP)

This test is a parallel version of ones used by employers to assess your ability to generate multiple hypotheses and demonstrate mental flexibility using shapes. Your pdf report gives your percentile against a large sample of UK University students.

Take test

TUTORIAL Numerical Reasoning Test (NRT)

The tutorial report is onscreen interactive and allows you to see which questions you got right or wrong and gives you an explanation.

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Situational Judgement Tutorial Test (SJTT)

This test presents you with a number of scenarios which might occur at work. For each scenario, there are a number of ways in which you could react and you have to choose the most appropriate way of handling the situation. At the end of the test, you can go back to review your answers and see what a panel of experts would judge to be the most appropriate response.

Take test

Learning Styles Indicator (LSI)

This questionnaire assesses your preferred learning style. It answers questions such as whether you prefer learning by doing or by absorbing information and whether you prefer dealing with facts and details or taking a more intuitive and analytical approach.

Take test

Type Dynamics Indicator - TDI®

The TDI questionnaire helps you to discover how your preferences affect how you see the world, how you react and behave and what impact this may have on the world and people around you.

Take test

Resilience Scale Questionnaire (RSQ)

This questionnaire looks at how resilient you are? It identifies five key dimensions of resilience and shows you how you compare to others in respect of these dimensions. The report provides you with useful development suggestions for each area.

Take test

Values-based Indicator of Motivation (VbIM)

Can you articulate the things that matter most to you? This questionnaire helps you discover your underlying values - which are not always the ones you first thought of.



Career Interests Inventory – Dodec (CII-Dodec)

You can narrow your career search by identifying which of 12 themes you prefer. It then matches these against hundreds of jobs and the report takes you straight to a jobs database full of information.



Verbal Analogies Test (VAT-SA)

This test is a measure of verbal reasoning. It requires you to identify a relationship between two words or concepts and apply that logic to a second pair of words?

Take test

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Moving forward –

- Where to find relevant Experience
- **Enhancing your skills**
- Using other supports available to you

UpSkill Programmes

- Accredited Placement (as part of your degree)
- Volunteering







UpSkill Programmes

SPUR - Summer Programme for Undergraduate Research

- Gain practical research experience that will help you stand out from your peers
- Enhance your personal and professional development
- Applications open in February each year
- Projects take place between June and August
- 6 weeks full time or 12 weeks part time in duration
- Open to pre final year undergraduate MU students
- Apply via Careers Connect

Alumni Mentoring –

- Mentored by an alumni that is out in the world of work. Good opportunity to see where your degree can take you. Applications open now, and the mentoring experience takes place between February – June.
- Penultimate and Final Year undergraduates.
- Limited number of postgraduate spaces.



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UpSkill Programmes

MUSE

- Student Experience Award that recognises student contribution beyond the classroom (non- credit bearing activities). Apply via Careers Connect (Applications open in October).
- Must be activities while they were a registered student. Awards ceremony in May for Gold and Platinum awardees.
- Undergraduates and Postgraduates | Any year, any discipline.

Micro-Internships

- Short Term professional work experience opportunities. 20-100 hours typically with professional service units in the university.
- Paid at €15.05 per hour. Advertised on Careers Connect during the year.



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Postgraduate Study

- Further study some postgrad courses need
- Relevant Experience
- Specific grades (sometimes from 2nd year)
- Conversion courses provide other options





What is Postgraduate Study?

- Typically, any course you do after your degree is postgraduate study
- There are many different types of courses
- Most are Level 9*
- Taught courses are popular with many students these are similar to your undergraduate educational experience – they may include a significant piece of research work too.
- Research Masters usually involve research work only
- PhD research doctorates involve a significant piece of research – many structured PhD programmes also involve some taught modules
- Professional doctorates can involve research, class and relevant professional training experience

Туре	Course e.g.
Taught (Level 9*)	Higher Diploma* (Level 8) Postgraduate Diploma Professional Diploma Masters (MA, MSc) M.Soc.Sc Professional Masters (e.g. PME)
Research (Level 9)	MA, MLitt, PhD
Research (Level 10)	PhD, EdD Professional Doctorate



Jobs and options after final year/ relevant experience during your degree

Employers begin recruiting early in final year

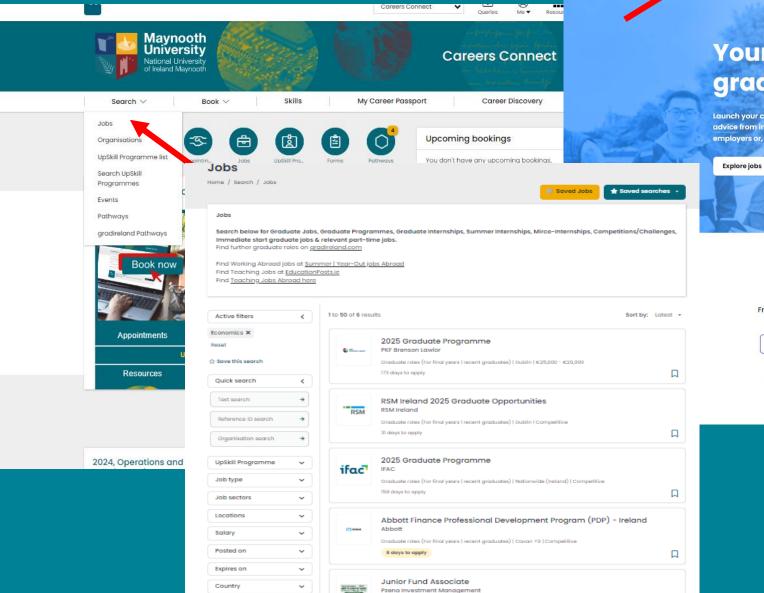
- Graduate Jobs
- Graduate Programmes
- Recruitment begins early for some firms
 - Law, Accounting, Pharma, Business, IT and more
- Important to begin planning before final year
- Summer Internships (for 2nd year/ penultimate year students) are advertised Dec/Jan each year



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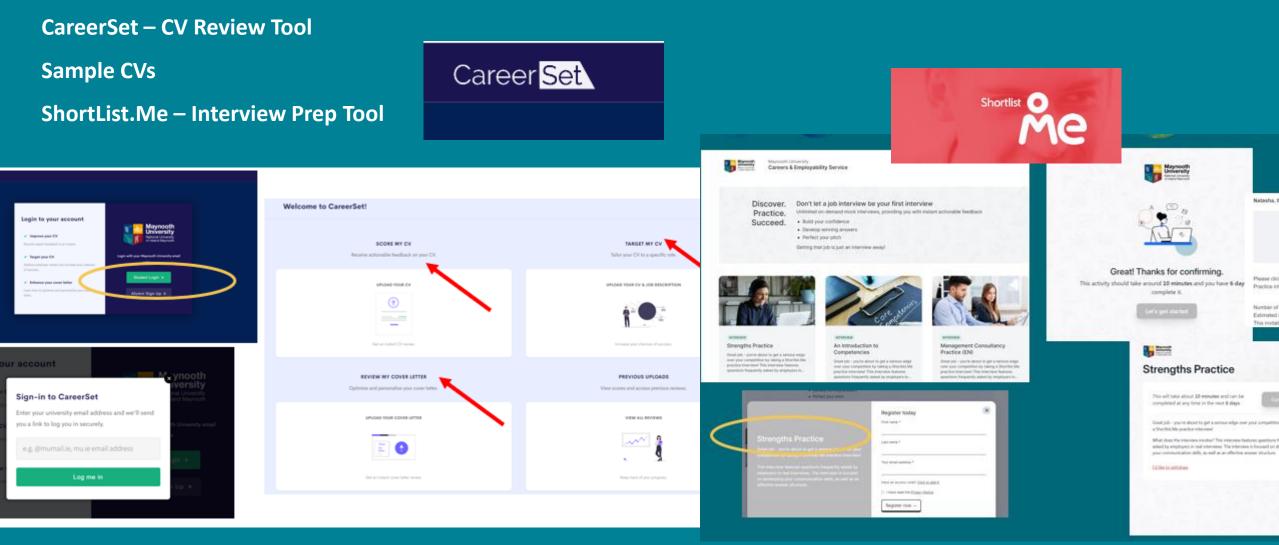
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Information / Application Support



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CV Templates

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Learn how to create impactful CVs and cover letters that effectively showcase your skills and experiences to potential employers	Home / Search / Events
	■22-Oct-2024 ①14:00 - 16:00
Ace Your Interview!	The Careers and Employability Team are delighted to present the 2024 Maynooth University Undergraduate Research Symposium taking place in the TSI foyer from 2pm to 4pm on Tuesday 22nd October, as part of Research Week.
This 1-hour workshop will provide you with the essential techniques needed to prepare and confidently ace an interview.	Dublin STEM Women Graduate Careers Event
	■ 05-Nov-2024 ①13:00 - 16:00
MUSE Awards Information Session MS Teams	STEM networking and recruitment event introducing students and graduates to STEM employers in Dublin.
₩16-Oct-2024 ③12:00 - 13:00 ₩26-Nov-2024 ④13:00 - 14:00	
MUSE Awards Information Session. Join to find out all about the MUSE Awards.	CV And Cover Letter Essentials For Students ●Various - See Advert
Maynooth University School Of Business Careers Fair & Volunteer EXpo	This 1-hour workshop aims to teach you the basics of creating an effective and standout CV and Cover Letter for
■17-Oct-2024 ③11:30 - 15:30	employment, further education, or other development opportunities.
Join us for the School of Business Careers Fair & Volunteer eXpo which will take place this Thursday (17th October) from 11:30am – 3:30pm on the ground floor of the TSI. With over 40 exhibitors across 3 areas there is plenty for you to	LinkedIn: Your Online Brand • Various - See Advert
explore!	
Career Mentoring Information Session ♥Webinar 	Join this 1 hour session to discover how LinkedIn can be used to create your professional online brand, help with your job search and build your professional network.
This 30 minute event provides an overview of what to expect from the MU Career Mentoring Programme and gives	Postgraduate Study Various - See Advert
	■20-Nov-2024 ③15:00 - 16:00

Join this I hour session to learn about Postgraduate study options, what's involved and is it for you?

Careers Connect

Hybrid

Closing date: 25-May-2024

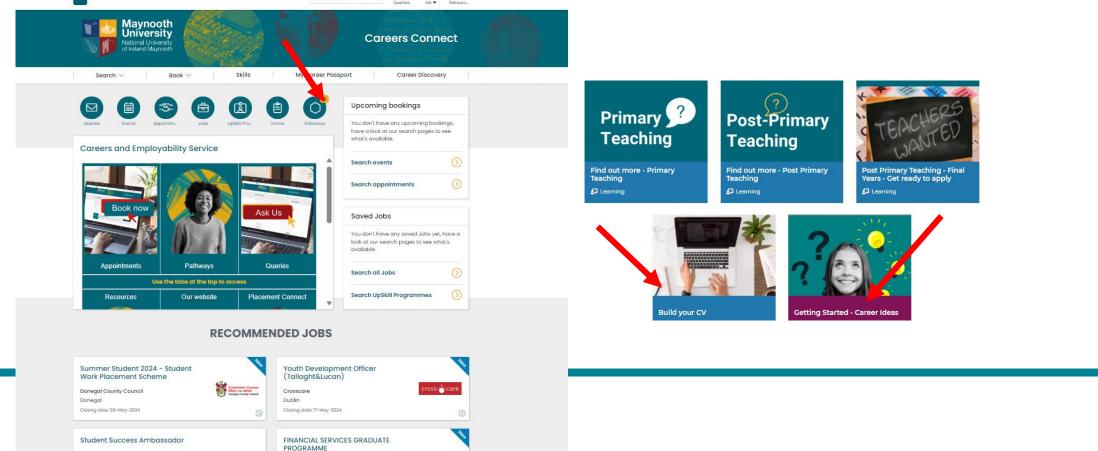
Careers Connect – Pathways – can help to move through all the information in an organized way.

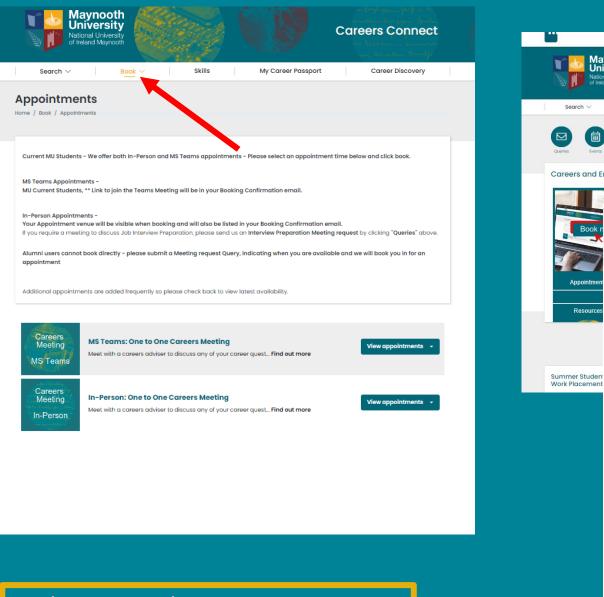
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These Pathwavs are available on Careers Connect

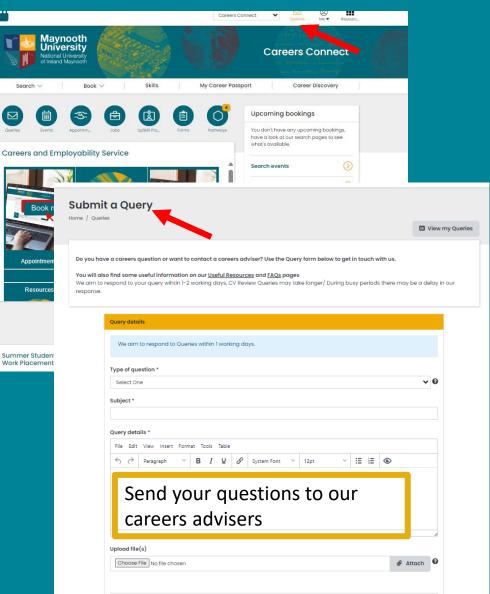
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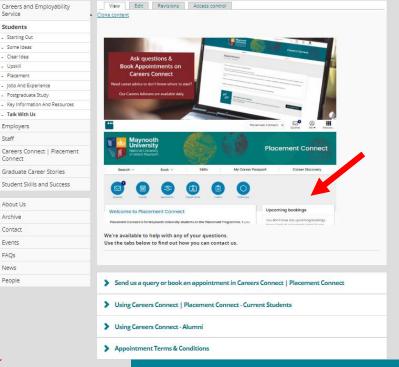
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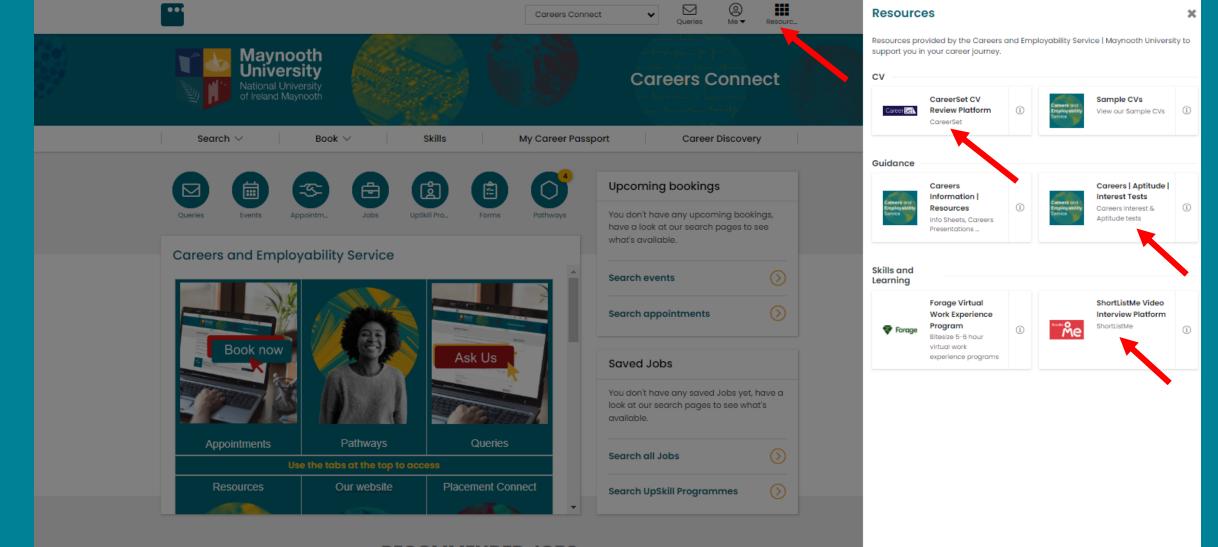
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