

GCE Life and Health Sciences – indicative University Entry (updated April 2021)

Feedback received has indicated that teachers and students have found this list of destinations to be useful.

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Below is a reported list of courses that GCE Life and Health Sciences students have progressed to at Ulster University, St Mary's University College, Stranmillis University College and Queens University Belfast.

In addition, students have also progressed to:

- Agriculture and related courses at **CAFRE** or elsewhere; and
- Higher Level Apprenticeship in Applied Science through **Southern Regional College**.

Please note: GCE Life and Health Sciences is available as a single award and double award qualification. Single award is equivalent to one 'A' level and double award is equivalent to two 'A' levels.

Other UK and ROI universities

Many pupils successfully progress to universities elsewhere in the UK and ROI.

GCE Life and Health Sciences (single and double award) is an approved subject and is accepted as meeting the Laboratory Science Subject requirement across the National University of Ireland (NUI) universities.

This University course list is not complete - GCE Life and Health Sciences is accepted for courses where other criteria have been met or where individual subject requirements are not specified. [Entry criteria for individual courses can change and should always be checked with the relevant institution.](#)

Ulster University

Architectural Engineering	Single or Double award	Single award meets one of the subject requirements. Double award meets both subject requirements.
Architectural Technology and Management	Single or Double award	Single or Double Award meets the subject requirement
Biology	Single or Double Award	Single or Double Award meets the science subject requirement
Biomedical Engineering	Single or Double award	Single or Double Award meets the subject requirement
Biomedical Science	Single or Double Award	Single Award only acceptable as a Group B subject, Double award meets both Group A&B science requirement
Biomedical Science with DPP Pathology	Single or Double Award	Single Award only acceptable as a Group B subject, Double award meets both Group A&B science requirement
Biomedical Science with DPP/DIAS	Single or Double Award	Single Award only acceptable as a Group B subject, Double award meets both Group A&B science requirement
Building Surveying	Single or Double Award	Single or Double Award meets the subject requirement
Civil Engineering	Single or Double award	Single or Double Award along with Mathematics meets the science subject requirement for BEng. Single award meets one of the subject requirements. Double award meets both subject requirements for the BSc.

Construction Engineering and Management	Single or Double Award	Single or Double Award meets the subject requirement
Diagnostic Radiography and Imaging	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Dietetics	Single or Double Award	Double Award meets the science requirement. Single Award acceptable as 1 science subject along with a second science from A-level Biology, Chemistry or Physics
Energy	Single or Double Award	Single award acceptable along with another specified subject. Double award acceptable as two specified subjects.
Environmental Health	Single or Double Award	Single or Double Award meets the subject requirement
Environmental Science	Single or Double Award	Single Award acceptable as 1 science subject and Double Award acceptable as 2 sciences)
Environmental Science with DPP/DIAS	Single or Double Award	Single Award acceptable as 1 science subject and Double Award acceptable as 2 sciences)
Environmental Science with Education	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Environmental Science with Psychology	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Food and Nutrition	Single or Double Award	Double Award meets the science subject requirement, Single Award acceptable along with AS Level Chem, Biol, Physics or Maths Grade C or above
Geography	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement. A-Level Geography or stem subject preferred.
Geography with DPP/DIAS	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement. A-Level Geography or stem subject preferred.
Geography with Education	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement. A-Level Geography or stem subject preferred.
Geography with Psychology	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement. A-Level Geography or stem subject preferred.
Health Physiology/Healthcare Science	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Healthcare Science (Cardiac Physiology or Respiratory and Sleep Physiology)	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Human Nutrition	Single or Double Award	Single Award acceptable as a Group B subject, Double award meets both Group A&B science requirement
Marine Science	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Nursing (Adult)	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements
Nursing (Mental Health)	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements
Occupational Therapy	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements
Optometry	Double Award only	Meets the science subject requirement
Paramedic Science	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements

Personalised Medicine (previously called Stratified Medicine)	Double Award only	Double award acceptable as a Group B subject. Group A required from: Information Technology, Digital Technology, Physics, Mathematics or a comparably numerate subject.
Pharmaceutical Bioscience	Single or Double Award	Double Award meets the science (including Chem) subject requirement as long as unit 9 Analytical Chemistry is completed. Single Award acceptable as 'other' science along with A-Level Chemistry
Pharmacy	Single or Double Award	Meets the requirement for 'other' science subject along with A Level Chemistry
Physiotherapy	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Podiatry	Single or Double Award	Meets the science subject requirement
Psychology	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements
Psychology, Social	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements
Radiotherapy and Oncology	Double Award only	Meets the science subject requirement
Speech and Language Therapy	Single or Double Award	No subject requirements
Sport and Exercise Sciences	Single or Double Award	Meets the subject requirement
Sport Studies	Single or Double Award	Meets the subject requirement
Sport, Physical Activity and Health	Single or Double Award	Meets the subject requirement

St Mary's University College

Accept Single or Double award Life and Health Sciences as part of their entry criteria for:

- BEd (Hons) Primary Science
- BEd (Hons) Post-Primary where subsidiary option in Science is available

Stranmillis University College

Accept Single or Double award Life and Health Sciences as part of their entry criteria for:

- BEd (Hons) Post-Primary – Mathematics and Science
- BSc (Hons) Health, Physical Activity and Sport

Queens University Belfast

Accept Single award Life and Health Sciences as part of their entry criteria for:

- Professional Nursing (lower offer entry)
- Midwifery Sciences (lower offer entry)
- Agricultural Technology

Accept Double award Life and Health Sciences as part of their entry criteria for:

- Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition
- Biological Sciences
- Marine Biology

- Microbiology
- Zoology

For the BEng courses below Double Award Life and Health Sciences must be taken in conjunction with A-level Mathematics. In all cases where Physics is not offered at A-level applicants must have a minimum of grade C in GCSE Physics or grades CC in Double Award Science.

- Aerospace Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Product Design Engineering
- Software and Electronic Systems Engineering