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# Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme

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**Part of Leaving Certificate Established**

**Subject Called “Link Modules”**

**An optional subject**

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- **Preparation for the World of Work**
- **Enterprise Education**

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# Preparation for the World of Work

## Purpose

The Link Module, Preparation for the World of Work, is designed to provide the student with a general knowledge of the world of work, the skills to find employment and experience in an adult working environment.

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# Enterprise Education

## Purpose

The Link Module, Enterprise Education, encourages students to identify enterprising skills, profile an entrepreneur, investigate business and community enterprises and set up their own enterprise projects as vehicles of learning.

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# **An Enhanced Leaving Certificate**

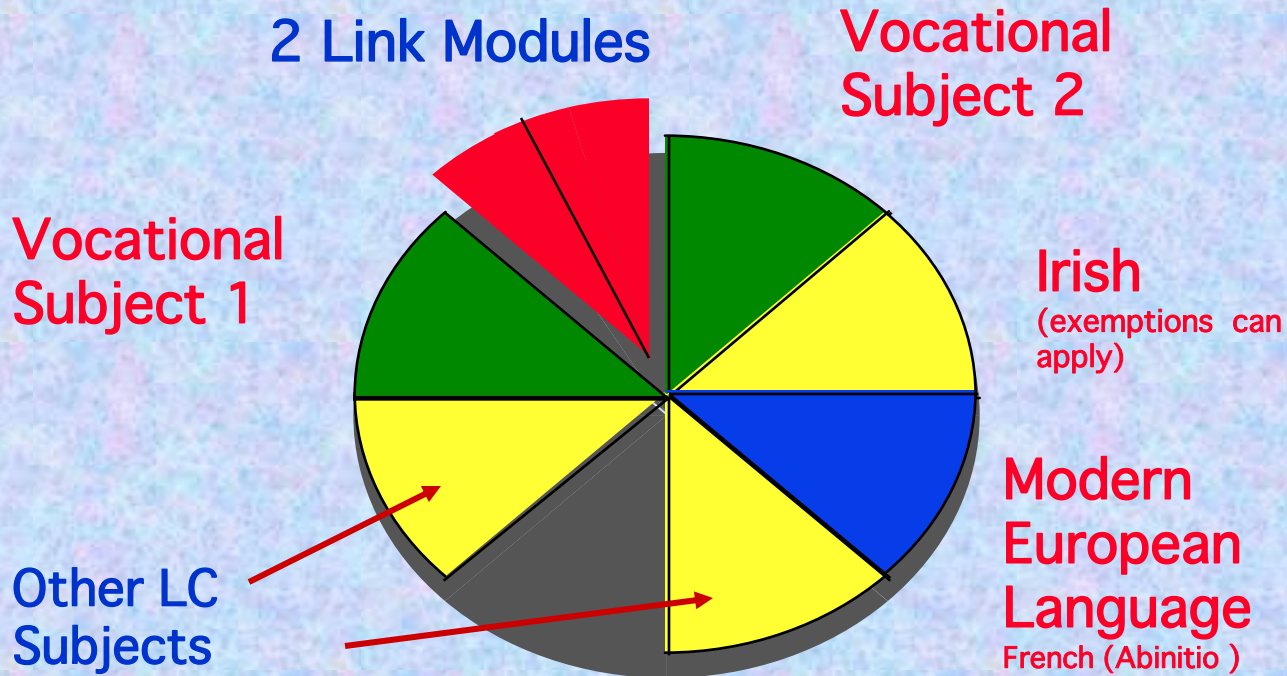
- **The LCVP is a Leaving Certificate with a strengthened Vocational dimension**
- **Vocational in this context refers to the development of a range of key “Transferable Skills”**

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# LCVP Structure



Most LCVP Students take at least **five** Leaving Certificate Subjects plus the Link Modules

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# Requirements

**An interest in the course!**

- **Taking a minimum of 5 Leaving Certificate Subjects**
- **Two subjects from the vocational subject groupings eg Biology and Physics and Chemistry**
- **A modern European Language - French**  
**Abinitio French - 1 class period of French over a two year period**

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# Vocational Subject Groupings

- **Construction Studies, Engineering, Technology, Design and Communication Graphics (any two)**
- **Physics and Construction Studies or Engineering or Technology**
- **Agricultural Science and Construction Studies or Engineering or Technology**
- **Agricultural Science and Chemistry or Physics or Phys/Chem**
- **Home Economics, Agricultural Science, Biology (any two)**
- **Home Economics and Art – Design or Craft option**
- **Accounting or Business or Economics (any two)**
- **Physics and Chemistry**
- **Biology and Chemistry or Physics or Phys/Chem**

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# **Vocational Subject Groupings**

- **Engineering or Technology and Business or Accounting or Economics**
- **Construction Studies and Business or Accounting or Economics**
- **Home Economics and Business or Accounting or Economics**
- **Agricultural Science and Business or Accounting or Economics**
- **Art Design or Craftwork option and Business or Accounting or Economics**
- **Music and Business or Accounting or Economics**

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# Typical LCVP Activities

- **Invited Visitors**
- **Site Visits**
- **Case Studies**
- **Team Enterprises**
- **Work Experience**
- **Using Computers**
- **Video Interviews**

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# Transferable Skills

- Team Working
- Critical Thinking
- Flexibility
- Leadership
- Basic Skills (incl. IT)
- Motivation to Learn
- Communication
- Initiative & Enterprise

These **skills** are equally relevant to young people progressing to further study, working for themselves or going directly into employment

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# The LCVP Helps Students

- take responsibility for their own learning
- become more innovative and enterprising
- communicate their thoughts and ideas effectively
- investigate and plan their career options

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**and to..**

- **develop key skills for the modern working environment**
- **work well with others as part of a team**
- **network with people in business and the community**
- **access and use computers and audio-visual equipment**

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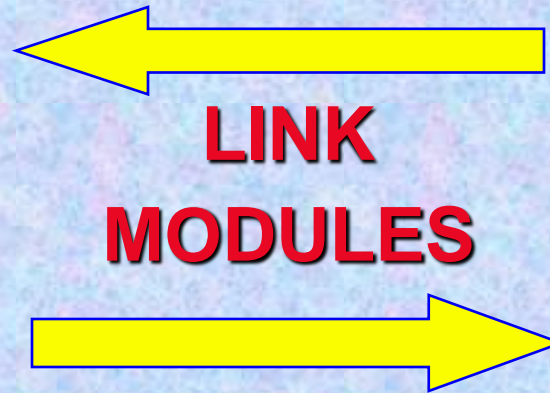




# Purpose of the Link Modules

**The Link Modules help you put theory into practice**

**Vocational Subjects**



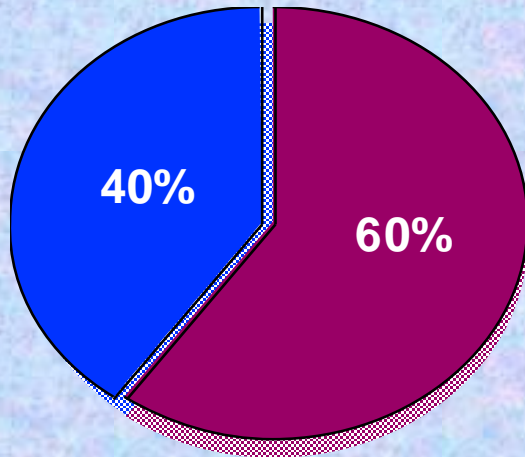
**Business  
Community  
Work / Career**



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# Link Modules Assessment



■ Written  
■ Portfolio

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# Link Modules Assessment Portfolio of Coursework

- **Core Items**
  - CV
  - Career Investigation
  - Enterprise/Action Plan
  - Summary Report
  
- **Options - any two from:-**
  - Diary of Work Experience
  - Enterprise Report
  - Recorded Interview/Presentation
  - Report on “My Own Place”

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# Link Modules Assessment Written Examination

- **Section A - Audio Visual**
  - Video sequence of an enterprise
- **Section B - Case Study**
  - Received 4 weeks in advance
- **Section C - General Questions**
  - Choice of 4 questions from 6

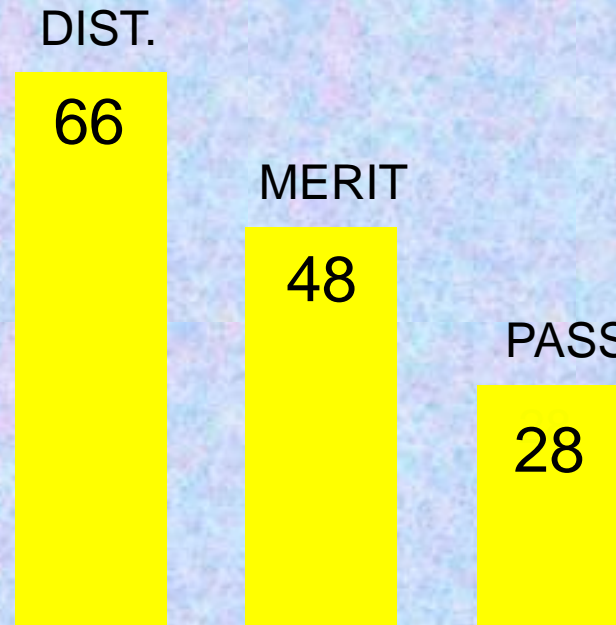
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# LCVP Recognition



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Pass Merit Dist.  
50-64% 65-79% 80-100%

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