



LM124 Bachelor of Science in Mathematics - Common Entry

Application information for mature student applicants

Apply through CAO by 1 st February www.cao.ie	Late applications may be considered until 1 st May. Please check with the Undergraduate Admissions Office.
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Application Process:

1. **CAO application form** – Applicants must ensure that they tick the ‘mature’ special category on the CAO application form and complete Sections 1 to 11 of the Mature Applicant section.
2. **Personal Statement for LM124** – Course Directors use personal statements to help them to more effectively assess an applicant’s suitability for, and level of interest in, their own course. See guidelines overleaf for writing a personal statement for LM124. The Personal Statement requirement is to enable you to provide more specific information to that already provided in the ‘Statement of Interest’ on your CAO form.
3. **Supporting documentation** – All supporting documentation (e.g. evidence of prior qualifications, Personal Statement for LM124 etc.) should be posted directly to the CAO.

Minimum Entry Requirements:

- HB3 (H3) in Leaving Cert Maths or equivalent or Pass in UL special maths exam.

Application Assessment Criteria:

- Demonstrate mathematical ability
- Prior education
- Relevant work experience
- Personal statement
- Interest in the Programme

Interview Assessment Criteria:

- No interview. Places awarded on basis of application only.

Information on all full-time undergraduate programmes for Mature Students is available from the [UL Admissions Office website](http://www.ul.ie)

www.ul.ie → Study at UL → Undergraduate Admissions → Applying to UL → Mature Students



Guidelines for writing a Personal Statement for LM124:

The Personal Statement is your opportunity to 'sell' yourself and to emphasise the experience and/or interests you have which are relevant to the course for which you are applying. A tailored personal statement is important, especially if you are applying to a competitive programme for which there is a high demand for places, as you will need to be specific and proactively demonstrate how your experience or your interests match the course you are interested in doing.

Your personal statement should be no greater than one side of a **single A4 page** and cover the following areas:

1. Reasons for wishing to undertake LM124
 2. Programme's potential contribution to your future career or life plans
 3. Highlight relevant experiences or skills gained through employment, voluntary work, or personal interests which have prepared you to undertake LM124
 4. Your knowledge and understanding of the career area in which you are interested
 5. Any specific preparation you have undertaken in anticipation of commencing LM124
- Please title your document 'Personal Statement for LM124'
 - Please also ensure that you include your CAO number on your Personal Statement

Defined Degree Options from LM124 - Common Entry

In the first semester, you will study calculus, linear algebra and computer programming and can choose from a selection of other modules, including physics and economics, before deciding whether to pursue a degree in:

- Mathematical Sciences, which itself allows specialization in mathematics, statistics or computing; or
- Mathematics and Physics; or
- Economics and Mathematical Sciences

The choice of programme needs to be made before the end of the first semester, there is no restriction on this choice, except that to continue with Mathematics and Physics you must take a physics module in the first semester and similarly to continue with Economics and Mathematical Sciences you must take an economics module in the first semester. It is possible to select modules which leave all three options open for the second semester.