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Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme

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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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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**



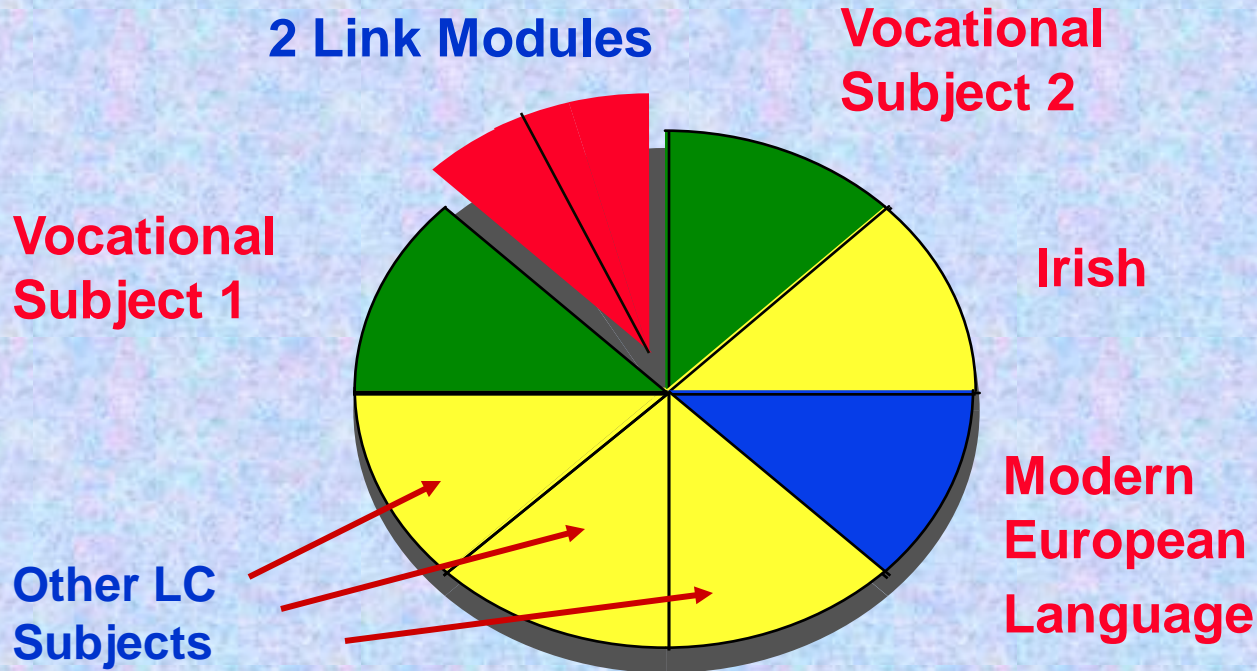
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Most LCVP Students take **seven** Leaving Certificate Subjects plus the Link Modules

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LCVP Vocational Subject Groupings



- 1 Construction Studies)
Engineering)
Technical Drawing) Any Two
Design & Communication Graphics)
Technology)
- 2 Physics and Construction Studies or Engineering or Technology or Design & Communication Graphics
- 3 Agricultural Science and Construction Studies or Engineering or Technology or Design & Communication Graphics
- 4 Agricultural Science and Chemistry or Physics or Physics/Chemistry
- 5 Home Economics)
Agricultural Science) Any Two
Biology)
- 6 Home Economics and Art – Design Option or Craft Option
- 7 Accounting or Business or Economics) Any Two
- 8 Physics and Chemistry
- 9 Biology and Chemistry or Physics or Phys/Chemistry
- 10 Biology and Agriculture Science
- 11 Art Design Option or Craftwork Option and Design & Communication Graphics

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Vocational Subject Groupings

- 12 Engineering or Technology or Design & Communication Graphics or Construction Studies and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 13 Home Economics and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 14 Agricultural Science and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 15 Art Design Option or Craftwork Option and Accounting or Business or Economics**
- 15 Music and Accounting or Business or Economics**



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LCVP Revised Link Modules (from Sept 2002)

- **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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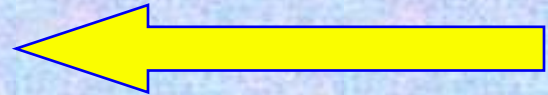
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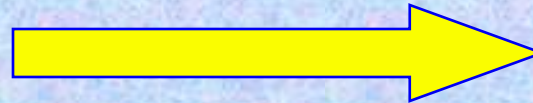
Purpose of the Link Modules

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

**Vocational
Subjects**



**LINK
MODULES**



**Business
Community
Work / Career**

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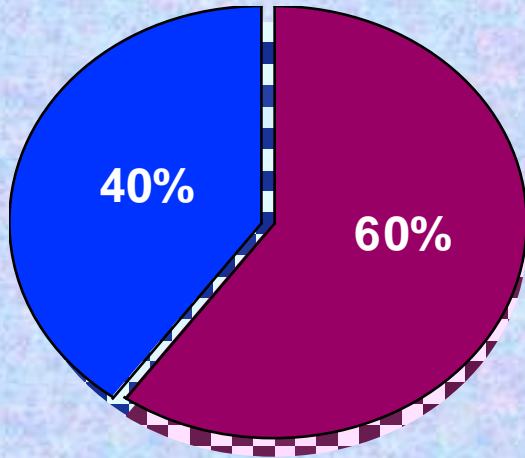
Typical LCVP Activities

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

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Link Modules Assessment



- The Link Modules are assessed by written examination and portfolio



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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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Link Modules Assessment Portfolio of Coursework

(from Sept 2002)

■ 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

RESULTS

Distinction	80% - 100%
Merit	65% - 79%
Pass	50% - 64%

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LCVP RECOGNITION

FROM 2004

**INSTITUTES OF
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and

UNIVERSITIES

Distinction 70 points

Merit 50 points

Pass 30 points

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POINTS SCHEME

Grade	Higher	Ordinary
A1	100	60
A2	90	50 Merit
B1	85	45
B2	80	40
B3	75	35
C1 Distinction	70	30 Pass
C2	65	25
C3	60	20
D1	55	15
D2 Merit	50	10
D3	45	5

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Growth of Programme

Year	Students	Schools
▪ 1994	1,200	64
▪ 1997	22,000	386
▪ 2000	35,000	472
▪ 2003	33,000	502
▪ 2008	35,000	530

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