

Entrance test information for CR130 – BA in Musical Theatre

Application

Application for this course is strictly through the CAO system.

Assessment Procedure:

Candidates must attend an assessment day in the CIT Cork School of Music, Union Quay, Cork. A points score out of a maximum of 600 will be assigned on the basis of this assessment. All eligible candidates will be ranked on the basis of this score only.

Leaving Certificate results above the minimum requirement will not be taken into account in ranking candidates for this course.

In order to be eligible, candidates must meet the minimum requirements for entry to CIT, which are 6 LC subjects, including English or Irish, with at least H5 in two subjects, and O6/H7 in four others.

The Entrance Test

Three skills are assessed at the Entrance Test, DANCE, SINGING, and ACTING. Each candidate must demonstrate an acceptable standard at all three.

- You will first take part in an unprepared group dance session. This involves a physical warm-up and stretching, followed by the learning of a short routine which you will then perform in small groups.
- Next you will take part in an unprepared group drama improvisation workshop.
- Individual auditions follow, for acting you will perform a monologue that you have prepared in advance. This should be approximately 2 to 3 minutes in duration and be from a published dramatic work or musical. You may be redirected in performance.
- For singing you should prepare two contrasting songs in musical theatre style. You may use your own backing tracks – on phone or iPod – or we will provide a piano accompanist (you must supply appropriate sheet music in advance). We may only listen to extracts from your songs.
- Finally, you will have a short interview where you can outline your experience and explain your motivation and ambitions in musical theatre.

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Marks & Points

Each component will be marked as follows and a points score out of 600 generated.

	Component Subject	Mark
1	Dance Workshop /150	
2	Drama Improvisation Workshop /150	
3	Drama Monologue /100	
4	Singing /150	
5	Interview / 50	
	Total /600	

Recommended clothing and footwear

All candidates should present in appropriate and comfortable dance-wear or gym-wear and should either work in bare feet or jazz shoes. Dressing Rooms are available and there will be time to change to smart casual for your individual audition. You should bring water in a suitable container.

Results

You will receive a letter in May informing you of your assessment points score, places are offered by the CAO according to rank in August.

Website

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If any further information is required, please email bamt.csm@cit.ie or ring the CSM Administrator at 021-4807307