

NPA Music Performing (Course Code: G9L6 45)

SCQF Level 6 (18 Credit Points)

Why study Music?

Music gives you the opportunity to use your imagination and express yourself in a creative and practical way. It helps you to develop important skills such as: playing a musical instrument, communication, creative thinking, using your voice and composing music. You can develop and consolidate your skills in performing and creating music and develop your creativity and confidence as you explore and develop your own creative ideas and music.

The skills you learn on this course not only makes a valuable contribution to your general education and personal development but also allows you to develop the skills and knowledge required to proceed to further study and/or follow a career in music.

What do I need to get in?

Entry is at the discretion of the school, but you would normally be expected to have achieved:

National 5 Music

What will I study?

You will learn to:

- develop a range of appropriate practical skills, knowledge and understanding relevant for music practice
- take charge of your own learning and development
- develop skills and aptitudes which will improve career development within the music sector
- develop music performing skills on one or more instruments. The standard of performance required is Grade 4 and is a natural progression from National 5 and / or Higher.

How will I be assessed?

NPA Music Performing comprises of 3 internally assessed units:

You need to successfully complete three Units in order to achieve the award. You will also be responsible for tracking your own progress and performance log.

1) Live Performance (of 20 minutes)

- Contribute to the preparation of a programme of music for a live performance.
- Evaluate own performance of music at a short live event
- Participate in the performance of a programme of music at a longer live event and implement identified strategies for improvement.

2) Performing Music on One Instrument or Voice (SCQF level 6/Grade 4)

- Carry out an effective music practice routine
- Describe music chosen for performance
- Perform music in contrasting styles

3) Performing Music on One Instrument or Voice (SCQF level 5/Grade 3)

- Carry out an effective music practice routine
- Describe music chosen for performance
- Perform music in contrasting styles

This course is internally assessed, therefore does not have a final exam. This course would be suitable for a candidate that wants to focus on the performance element of Music. An NPA is an SCQF Level 6, which is the equivalent of a Higher C pass.