

Academic Staff Survey re Skills Supports at NUI Galway

1) Please select from the list which School is relevant to you

- m Acadamh na hOllscolaíochta Gaeilge
- m Adult Learning & Professional Development
- m Business & Economics
- m Chemistry
- m Education
- m Engineering & Informatics
- m Geography & Archaeology
- m Health Sciences
- m Humanities
- m Languages, Literatures & Cultures
- m Law
- m Mathematics, Statistics & Applied Mathematics
- m Medicine
- m Natural Sciences
- m Nursing & Midwifery
- m Physics
- m Political Science & Sociology
- m Psychology
- m Other (please specify)

If you selected other, please specify

2) In your view, how important are each of the following academic skills in relation to facilitating academic success & quality, in-depth learning for first year undergraduate students?

	1 - Not at all important	2	3	4	5 - Extremely important	Don't know
Effective Reading & Note-taking	m	m	m	m	m	m
Effective Revision & Study Skills	m	m	m	m	m	m
Research Skills & Information Literacy	m	m	m	m	m	m
Critical & Reflective Thinking	m	m	m	m	m	m
Academic Writing	m	m	m	m	m	m
Referencing & Avoiding Plagiarism	m	m	m	m	m	m

Computer Literacy & ICT Skills	m	m	m	m	m	m
Collaborative Working	m	m	m	m	m	m
Time Management	m	m	m	m	m	m
Problem Solving	m	m	m	m	m	m
Communication - Public Speaking/Presentation	m	m	m	m	m	m
Skills of Mathematics	m	m	m	m	m	m

3) Please enter here any other GENERIC ACADEMIC skills that you feel should be included, with their level of importance

4) In your view, how well prepared are first year undergraduate students, in relation to each of the academic skills outlined in the previous questions?

	1 - Not at all prepared	2	3	4	5 - Extremely well prepared	Don't know
Effective Reading & Note-taking	m	m	m	m	m	m
Effective Revision & Study Skills	m	m	m	m	m	m
Research Skills & Information Literacy	m	m	m	m	m	m
Critical & Reflective Thinking	m	m	m	m	m	m
Academic Writing	m	m	m	m	m	m
Referencing & Avoiding Plagiarism	m	m	m	m	m	m
Computer Literacy & ICT Skills	m	m	m	m	m	m
Collaborative Working	m	m	m	m	m	m

Time Management	m	m	m	m	m	m
Problem Solving	m	m	m	m	m	m
Communication - Public Speaking/Presentation	m	m	m	m	m	m
Skills of Mathematics	m	m	m	m	m	m

5) Please enter here any other relevant comments you have relating to first year undergraduate students and their academic skill-set

6) Up to this point, were you aware of the following Academic Skills Support services offered by the University to its students?

	Yes	No
The Academic Writing Centre (http://www.library.nuigalway.ie/awc)	m	m
Subject Librarians - Information Skills Support (http://www.library.nuigalway.ie/support/subjectsupport/)	m	m
Online Computer Training Module (via Blackboard)	m	m
ComputerDisc - Programming/Software Development Support (http://computerdisc.it.nuigalway.ie)	m	m
Skills4StudyCampus via module	m	m

TLC100 on Blackboard (http://www.skills4studycampus.com)		
S.U.M.S. - Mathematics Support (http://www.maths.nuigalway.ie/sums)	m	m

7) Please add other academic skills support services, not already listed, that you are aware of in NUI Galway

8) In relation to the students that you teach as an NUI Galway lecturer, what value do you place on each of the following support services?

	1 - No value	2	3	4	5 - Invaluable	Don't know
The Academic Writing Centre (http://www.library.nuigalway.ie/awc)	m	m	m	m	m	m
Subject Librarians (http://www.library.nuigalway.ie/support/subjectsupport/)	m	m	m	m	m	m
Online Computer Training via ITSArts (On-Line Computer Training module via Blackboard)	m	m	m	m	m	m
ComputerDisc (http://computerdisc.it.nuigalway.ie)	m	m	m	m	m	m
Skills4StudyCampus via module TLC100 on	m	m	m	m	m	m

Blackboard (http://www.skills4studycampus.com)						
SUMS (http://www.maths.nuigalway.ie/sums)	m	m	m	m	m	m

9) Please provide any additional comments here, in relation to the value of academic skills supports in NUI Galway

10) Have you previously advised your students to avail of any of the listed academic skills supports? (tick all that apply)

	1st Year Undergraduate	Other Students	None
Academic Writing Centre	q	q	q
Subject Librarians	q	q	q
Online Computer Training via Blackboard (ITSArts)	q	q	q
ComputerDISC	q	q	q
Skills4Study Campus	q	q	q
SUMS	q	q	q

11) Have you been/are you currently involved in the delivery/organisation of any other academic skills supports (not listed in Q9) to first year students? Please provide details of that support.

12) Please provide any other relevant comments here, related to awareness and value of academic skills supports in NUI Galway

13) In relation to each of the following factors, how do you rate the accessibility of NUI Galway academic skills supports, for 1st year undergraduate students?

	1 - Very Poor	2	3	4	5 - Excellent	Don't know
Delivery method (e.g. face-to-face, online, group workshops, etc.)	m	m	m	m	m	m
Service Location	m	m	m	m	m	m
Advertising/Publicity	m	m	m	m	m	m
Opening Hours	m	m	m	m	m	m

14) Please include any other factors you feel impact on the accessibility of academic skills support services and where they lie on the scale (1-5).

15) Do you think academic skills support is best delivered to first year undergraduate students:

- Online
- Face-to-face
- Both

16) Do you think academic skills support is best delivered to first year undergraduate students:

- One-to-One
- Group Tutorials/Workshops
- Both

17) Do you think academic skills support is best delivered to first year undergraduate students:

- Embedded in Academic programmes
- Open, generic service available to all disciplines
- Both

18) Any additional comments related to delivery and accessibility of these support services?

19) Please provide any suggestions you may have, to improve the level of uptake and engagement with academic skills supports, among first year NUI Galway undergraduate students.

20) Please provide any comments you feel relevant, about the delivery of academic skills supports to first year NUI Galway undergraduate students

21) Please provide some detail around any additional supports that you feel would be of benefit to first year undergraduate NUI Galway students

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your feedback is invaluable to us.