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MTU Cork Disability Support Service (DSS) – Transitions Programme 2021

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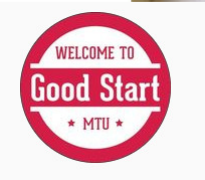
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Who's speaking today?




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Bridie



Julie



Ruth



Mary

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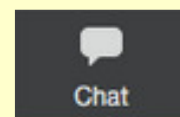
- 6.00pm Welcome - Ruth
- 6.05pm Transitions Programme - Julie
- 6.10pm Student view - Bridie
- 6.20pm Transitions Programme resources - Julie
- 6.35pm Accessing Transitions support - Ruth/Julie
- 6.45pm Questions
- 7.00pm Finish

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Event guidelines



- Event will be recorded but we won't include any student queries that identify someone. This will be put up on Transitions webpage:
www.mycit.ie/access_disability/disability-support-service/transitions-programme-coordina
- We encourage you to turn on your video but you don't have to.
- Please be respectful and don't interrupt if someone is speaking.
- We will use the Chat to give you links and information.
- Use the Chat function if you need to tell us any issues with the event.



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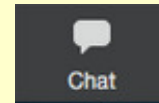
Question and Answers



There is time for questions after each section.

You can ask general questions on Zoom by:

- Using the Chat icon to type a question to Everyone
- Or during the question times, you can unmute yourself and ask your question.



And we will answer the question live or answer it in the chat.

Or you can email us with a specific or private question to Ruth Murphy in Zoom or JulieA.ODonovan@mtu.ie or dssCork@mtu.ie and we'll come back to you after the event.

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Transition Support

Learn about your support choices

Julie O'Donovan



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Who I Am

- I work part time as the Transition Co Ordinator.
- I organise supports for your first year at university.
- I offer guidance on navigating the MTU environment.



Julie
Transitions Programme
Co Ordinator



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What to expect?

- One to One support
- Workshops
- Information resources
- Collaboration with Aspect
- Linking with Student Services within MTU

What suits your transition needs?



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What I do

- I provide one to one support
- In person, online, by phone or email.
- **Guidance, solutions, advice, ideas, suggestions!**

Working together!



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Conversation Topics

- **Getting to know your campus**
- How the university learning system works
- Communicating with your lecturers
- Finding the right people to support you
- How to use your needs assessment

The New Physical Environment



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Where we meet

- On your Campus
- Online by video chat
- By phone
- By Email



Transitions Office
Bishopstown
Campus



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HOW to begin

- Discuss at your Needs Assessment
- You can email the DSS any time during the year
- Email Julie directly



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What is it Like?

"Well, it is a meeting where you can be yourself and a place to re energise yourself. Also, it helps to learn information about exams, communication skills, living independently and also, how to engage with the college.

Participating and using the transition services and the DSS is not embarrassing, and it is nothing to be ashamed about."



Bridie
BSc Agri Bioscience

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What Students Say

"I found the Transition Programme very helpful in first year. It gave me an opportunity to get advice on managing some of the challenges that first years and indeed college students in general might often face, such as organisation and planning.

This can be very helpful to keep on top of the workload and make productive use of the time between lectures and tutorials to get assignments done."

Student View



2nd year
Cork School of Music

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Time for questions?

I am happy to answer questions by email.

Email: JulieA.ODonovan@mtu.ie



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QUESTIONS



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Support Services at MTU



- ✓ Academic Learning Centre – free subject classes
- ✓ Academic Success Coaching
- ✓ Student's Union
- ✓ Access Service – financial help /HEAR/ Mature students
- ✓ Careers Service
- ✓ Counselling Service
- ✓ Medical Centre & ERT
- ✓ Clubs and Societies
- ✓ Sports facilities – CIT
- ✓ Mature Student Officer
- ✓ Accommodation office



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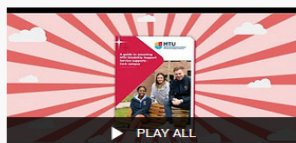
DSS Information



<https://tinyurl.com/MTUCorkDSSOrientation21>

www.mycit.ie/dsstudentguide

www.mycit.ie/access_disability/disability-support-service/new_incoming-students



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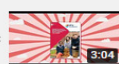


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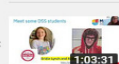
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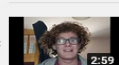
How to apply to the DSS 2021 22

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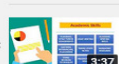
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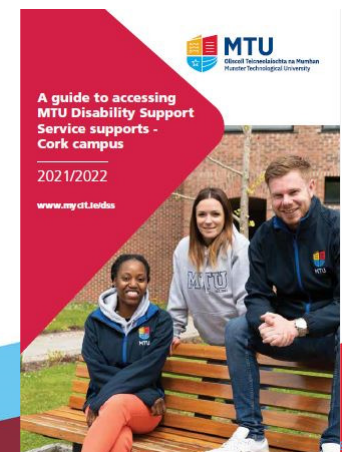
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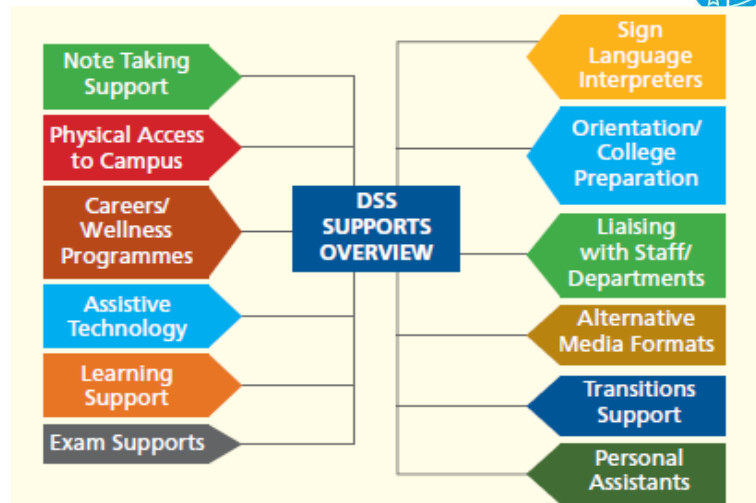
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DSS Supports



All DSS supports are confirmed in a student's needs assessment

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How to apply for DSS supports?



- **STEP 1: Fill out Online Application Form:**
www.mycit.ie/access_disability/disability-support-service/registering
- **STEP 2: Submit documents by email** www.mycit.ie/documents-needed
 (DSS already has copies of documents from CAO/DARE).
- Attend classes and sign up to DSS Canvas module /go to DSS sessions
- **STEP 3: Receive a needs assessment document which confirms DSS supports / reasonable accommodations.**
 - This is sent to your MTU student email. You may be waiting a few weeks to receive it especially in September/October.
 - You may also be asked to attend a meeting with DSS staff.



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Confidentiality



MTU Cork DSS operates a strict confidentiality policy.

GDPR – data protection means:

- The university deals with the student directly.
- Needs consent from student in writing to share any information each time.

We cannot disclose any information about the student registration, academic progress, to parents, lecturers, etc., unless we have the student's consent, or unless there is a health and safety risk.



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Parents/Guardians' changing role – supporting the student



Encourage and support the student to engage with relevant supports and develop/maintain good habits, such as...

- ✓ Check MTU student email/Canvas every day (on phone)
- ✓ Download online notes from Canvas.
- ✓ Communicate directly with lecturers, support services, etc., to check/clarify assignments, procedures etc. – by email.
- ✓ Be aware of the use of social media in college.



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Parents/Guardians' changing role – supporting the student



- ✓ **Asking for help** from course coordinator, lecturers, support services, etc.
- ✓ **Planning their day** – online lectures, going to college - transport, lunch, money management.
- ✓ **Managing their time** - using calendars on phone -
- ✓ reminders about deadlines, etc.
- ✓ **Being aware of attendance** - This may be monitored, and some classes/ labs are mandatory.
- ✓ **Making friends** – join clubs and societies.

Don't forget to allow for mistakes!

Balancing academic, social and work life takes time 😊

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Contact details

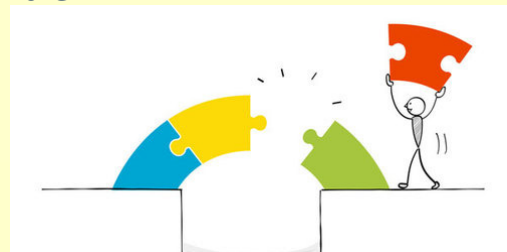


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**JUST
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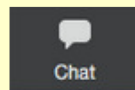
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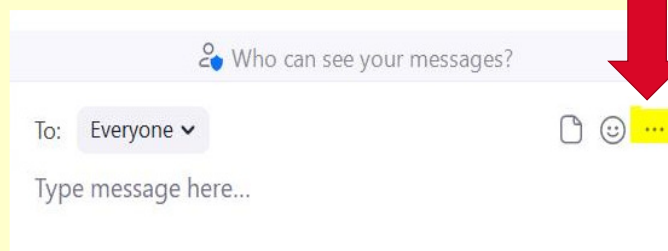
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Save Chat for the links

- Click on the Chat icon



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Thank you for coming and any final questions?



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