

# What's Next?

## Business Information Systems

Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Information Systems

A BIS degree provides a strong foundation to work in key business functions across a wide variety of industry sectors including banking and insurance, consultancy, public service, logistics and supply chain, software development, IT and analysis, and so on. Graduates can apply business information systems theories and skills across a broad range of business environments to formulate and evaluate relevant options and solutions in a variety of business contexts.



### Transferable Skills

- Leadership
- Problem-solving
- Strategic/Creative Thinking
- Report-writing & Presentation Skills
- Organisational Skills
- Attention-to-Detail
- Time Management
- Teamwork & Leadership
- Ability to take responsibility
- Communication & Interpersonal (Ability to get on with people of all levels in the organisation)
- Initiative

Core Skills



### Degree-specific Skills

- Programming
- Systems Analysis & Design
- Database Design & Management
- Computer Networking
- Information Systems Project Management
- Web Applications Development
- Enterprise Systems
- Business Analytics
- Mathematical Aptitude

## Career Options



Opportunities are available across multiple industries: manufacturing, food, software/IT, banking, financial services, FMCG, fashion, etc... Examples of roles include:

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| <b>Systems Analyst</b>                  | <b>Financial Analyst</b> |
| <b>Business Development</b>             | <b>Consultancy</b>       |
| <b>Project Management</b>               | <b>Accountancy</b>       |
| <b>Software Development</b>             | <b>Marketing</b>         |
| <b>Customer Relationship Management</b> |                          |
| <b>Purchasing &amp; Supply Chain</b>    |                          |

Watch out for on-campus talks by employers from different sectors – meet HR representatives/recruiters and build your knowledge of different sectors.

Check out the Careers Service jobs page - <http://www.mycit.ie/careers>. Follow Careers Service on social media for job vacancies.

Employers



### Banking

**Investment Banking:** J.P. Morgan, Goldman Sachs, Bank of Ireland Asset Management, Morgan Stanley, Barclays, Davy, HSBC, Goodbody Stockbrokers, Anglo Irish Bank Investment Services, Citi...

**Corporate Banking:** Bank of Ireland, Allied Irish Bank, HSBC, Ulster Bank, BNY Mellon, Barclay's Bank, The Central Bank of Ireland, Citi...

**Retail & Private Banking:** Bank of Ireland, Allied Irish Bank, Ulster Bank, Permanent TSB, HSBC, BNY Mellon, Barclay's Bank, The Central Bank of Ireland, Citi, KBC Bank Ireland plc...

### Insurance

**Underwriting/Claims/Sales/Actuary:** VHI, Zurich Insurance, FBD, Hibernian Aviva, AXA Insurance...

**Regulation & Compliance/Risk Management:** Zurich Financial Services, Hibernian Aviva, Quinn Insurance... and public service authorities such as the Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority (FSA).

### Consultancy

This involves operating at many levels or

areas within an organisation and providing expert advice to public and private organisations on business development, strategy, IT systems, project management, people management, etc... Employers include IBM, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Deloitte, Accenture, Goodbody Economic Consultants, Mercer, Morgan McKinley, WMJ Kelleher & Associates...

### Public Service

The Civil Service, local and national government and semi-state organisations employ a wide range of graduates for various business functions. Employers include the Health Service Executive, National Universities of Ireland, Institutes of Technology, RTE, Iarnród Éireann, City & County Councils... Register on <https://publicjobs.ie/en/> for details on job opportunities.

### Logistics & Supply Chain

This involves the internal and external movement, and distribution of products from production to end

consumer. Employers include DHL, UPS, First Derivatives plc, Musgrave Group, Lidl, Proctor & Gamble, RPS Group...

### Software Applications & Development / IT Analyst

This involves managerial, professional and technician roles in software development, networks and security, systems administration, web development, IT analytics, IT project management, etc... across various sectors including ICT, Gaming, On-line Gambling, Finance, etc... Employers include HP Ireland, Avaya, Quest Software, Allevio, PopCap Games, Paddy Power, GridBeyond, Monex, Fidessa...



## Starting Your Job Search

Job searching takes focus, effort and commitment. It's essential that you create a strong online presence. Develop a LinkedIn profile and work at building your network; invite relevant people to connect with you, such as recent graduates from your course, and those in jobs and organisations that interest you. Follow people who are where you want to go and make connections! If you blog or have a website, include these links in LinkedIn and on your CV. Don't wait for jobs to be advertised, actively look for roles that interest you.

Graduate programmes are a great career starting point as extra training is provided. A Level 8 degree is the minimum for entry to most programmes. Register with GradIreland: <https://gradireland.com/user>

## Where are CIT graduates working?



### Company

Clearstream  
Dell EMC  
Workday  
Musgrave  
Logitech  
Kerry Group  
VMware  
DePuy Synthes  
Aon  
MCR Outsourcing Ltd  
JRI America  
Stryker

### Job Role

Client Associate  
Solutions Architect  
Associate Deployment Analyst  
HR Intern  
Claims Finance Intern  
ICT Graduate  
Solutions Consultant  
Junior IT Analyst  
Client Administrator  
Personnel Manager  
Quality Assurance  
Compensation & Benefits Analyst

## Professional Groups & Associations



Membership of a professional association is a useful way to meet new people in your field and will be a good addition to your CV. Many professional bodies have jobs boards and these roles may not be advertised elsewhere.

### Relevant professional bodies include:

Irish Chapter of Association for Information Systems <http://www.iais.ie/>  
Banking and Payments Federation Ireland <https://www.bpfi.ie/>  
Brokers Ireland <https://brokersireland.ie/>  
Irish Institute of Purchasing and Materials Management <http://www.iipmm.ie/>  
Irish Computer Society <https://www.ics.ie/>  
Chartered Accountants Ireland <https://www.charteredaccountants.ie/>  
Association Certified Chartered Accountants <https://www.accaglobal.com/ie/en.html>



## Postgraduate Study

There are many postgraduate options to choose with some examples including:

- MBA Master of Business Administration (Strategy)
- MSc Marketing Practice
- MSc International Business
- MA Human Resource Management
- MSc Information Design & Development.
- MSc Cloud Computing

Secondary School Teaching – Accounting, Economics or Business:

Postgraduate Diploma in Education is available through various colleges in Ireland.

For further information, go to the 'Further Study Options' section on the Career Information page of <http://www.mycit.ie/careers>. You can also use [www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie) or [www.gradireland.com/further-study](http://www.gradireland.com/further-study) to search for courses in areas of interest to you. For information on Masters' programmes through English in universities across the EU: [www.mastersportal.eu](http://www.mastersportal.eu)



## Want to go abroad?

For career opportunities in Business Information Systems in the UK see: [www.targetjobs.co.uk](http://www.targetjobs.co.uk), [www.gradjobs.co.uk](http://www.gradjobs.co.uk) and [www.graduate-jobs.com](http://www.graduate-jobs.com)

Jobs across the EU can be seen on the EURES website and financial supports are available for relocating to another EU country, visit: <https://ec.europa.eu/eures/eures-searchengine/page/main?lang=en#/search>

If you wish to work in the USA, Canada or Australia, check out work visa requirements first. There are graduate work visas available to the USA, a great opportunity to gain global experience in your field.

Useful article: Becoming a Business Analyst – Career Road Map  
<https://www.iiba.org/Careers/Becoming-a-Business-Analyst.aspx>

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