

Studying a Business degree opens many opportunities to graduates as you study a wide range of modules and develop transferable skills that can be applied in a range of jobs. Business graduates are extremely employable as on average 73% of NCI graduates secure a job post completion of the course within the last 9 years.

Every student will create their own career path based on their personal values and interests so please do arrange to meet us to help you get started on planning your journey.

Many graduate programmes offer rotation-based opportunities where you can gain experience in various fields. Business graduates can apply for opportunities in: Accounting, Business Development, Business Analysis, General Management, Marketing, Sales, Operations, Human Resources and others. Many employers accept applications from graduates with any subject so don't restrict yourself to the jobs listed here, familiarise with job requirements, and identify your match based on the specific knowledge you covered in your modules.

Transferable skills or soft skills are the skills you can bring to any job therefore can help you writing graduate applications or articulating your academic experience in an interview.

These skills include:
Analytical
Attention to detail
Communication
IT Skills – MS Excel, Word, PowerPoint
Numeracy
Organisational
Teamwork
Time management

What do NCI graduates do?

Each year the NCI Career Development and Employability Service produces a Graduate Outcomes report based on an annual survey of graduates nine months after graduation.

The following table represents the 9-year trend with regard to BA (Hons) in Business.

9 Year Trend	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Employed	65%	81%	77%	86.3%	80%	65%	69%	69%	61%
Further Study	28%	17%	19%	10.3%	18%	26%	20%	23%	33%
Seeking Employment	4%	1%	1.5%	1.4%	2%	3%	23%	2%	3%
Not Available	3%	1%	2.5%	2%	0%	6%	5%	6%	3%

Graduates who progressed directly to employment have taken up a variety of roles. The following is a sample of graduate jobs and employers over the past number of years:

Financial Services/Banking/Tax

Accenture Payment Agent; On site at Facebook; AIB Bank Official; AIB Mortgages Analysis and Investigations Officer; AIB Bank Official; Aramark Invoice Administrator; Bank of Ireland Migration Team Assistant; BDO Trainee Auditor; BDO Trainee Auditor; Bluett Conran Trainee Chartered Accountant; Browne Murphy Hughes Chartered Accountants Tax Trainee; CACEIS Fund Accountant; Crowley Accountants Trainee Accountant; Deutsche Bank Administrator: First Derivatives Financial Engineer: Furlong Flooring Credit Controller; Grant Thornton Accountant Trainee; Haydon Chartered Accountants Trainee Accountant; Hedge Serve Fund Accountant; HedgeFun Investment Services; Immedis Global Tax and Payroll Trainee; Irish Life Pension Administrator; KBC Branch Assistant; Keveny Monahan Trainee Accountant; KPMG Audit Graduate Programme; Lombards Trainee Accountant; Northern Trust Finance Internship; O'Brien Curran O'Mahony Chartered Accountants Trainee Accountant; Permanent TSB Accounts Payable Administrator; Permanent TSB Banking Services Administrator; Scan Management Fund Accounting Administrator; Sedgwick Ireland Property Assistant Accountant; SEI Investments Fund Analyst; SEI Investments Hedge Fund Accountant; SEI Private Equity Investor Service Analyst; TIBCO Software Ireland Finance Internship; Ulster Bank Mortgage Operations; US Bank Fund Accountant; Willis Towers Watson Pension Administrator.

Human Resources/Recruitment

55.com; New York Human Resources Assistant; Bank of Ireland HR Operations Administrator; Flexsource Recruitment Consultant; Hays Recruitment Consultant; HSE HR Administrator; Keywords Studios Human Resources Assistant; Nobox Pilot Solutions Talent Acquisition Administrator; North Dublin Home Care HR and Executive Assistant; PM Group HR Graduate; Stack's Pharmacy HR Assistant; Telefonica Human Resources Lifecycle Advisor; The HR Company HR Administrator.

Marketing/Social Media

Accenture Interactive Global Marketing Solutions;
Accenture Social Media Agent; Accenture Social Media
Analyst; C & C Gleeson Brand Ambassador; Furlong
Flooring Marketing Executive; MiFinity Marketing Assistant;
Powerscourt Hotel Resort & Spa Marketing Intern;
Bachelor's Box Marketing Associate; Mrs2be.ie Online Sales;
iD&V Digital Advisor.

Management Trainee

Accenture Management Consultant; Dalata Management Graduate Programme; Enterprise Rent a Car Management Trainee; FlexiGroup Limited (FXL) Area Manager; Keelings Graduate Trainee; PepsiCo Area Manager.

Operations/Supply Chain

Alpha Wireless Supply Chain Administrator; Bank of Ireland UK Operations Administrator; Citi Bank Operations Graduate Programme; Dalata Operations Grad Programme; Virgin Media Operations Management Trainee; Zurich Life Assurance Operations Administrator; ESIS Electrical Safety & Instrumentation Specialists Ltd Operations Manager; KBC Bank Ireland Operations Administrator.

Business Development/Sales

Alumina Sales Account Manager; Briscoes Expert Electrical Sales Manager; Bryan S Ryan Sales Executive; Capitalflow Business Support Executive; Furlong Flooring Sales Office Person; IDG Direct Business Development; Irish Farmers Association Business Development; Jobs.ie Account Manager; Juniper Networks Sales Support Coordinator; Salesforce Business Development Associate; TIBCO Software Business Development Sales Team; Agnelle EA Sales and Marketing; Air Liquide Management Business Development Intern; Espion Sales & Marketing Consultant; Mrs2be.ie Online Sales; RSA School of Motoring Sales/Account Manager.

What postgraduate courses do business graduates choose?

The following list provides a sample of the postgraduate courses The BA (Hons) Business graduates progressed to following graduation:

Audencia, (France) MSc in Management

Dun Laoghaire Digital Entrepreneurship

Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Rennes MSc in International Business

IAE de Tours MSc Management Science

IAE Gustave Eiffel MSc in Business Management

IAE Lille License 3 MSc in Management Science

IAE Nice (France) MSc in International Business

IAE Pau-Bayonne MSc in Management and International Commerce

laelyon School of Management (France) MSc in Logistics

International Research Institute for Innovation and Growth MSc in Management

National College of Ireland MSc in International Business

National College of Ireland NCI Certificate in Digital Marketing

National College of Ireland MSc in Marketing

National College of Ireland MSc in Management

National College of Ireland MSc in Finance

Rennes School of Business Masters in Business

SKEMA Business School International Commerce

SKEMA Business School Master in Management

SKEMA Business School MSc Programme Grande Ecole

UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate Business School Masters in Human Resource Management

TUD MSc Advertising

TUD MSc in Finance

UCD MSc Computer Science Conversion Course

UFR ESTHUA Tourisme et Culture Tourism and Hospitality Management

University of Paris Dauphine Masters in Accounting

Careers open to all graduates

About one-third of all graduate jobs are advertised for graduates of any discipline. Examples of these jobs include management trainee positions, marketing and sales, research, banking, etc. You also have the option of taking a postgraduate conversion course when you graduate. Pursuing a postgraduate conversion course will allow you to alter your original career path, to think beyond previous educational restrictions, such as CAO points, and open the door to a new career path that you really want. Postgraduate conversion courses exist in Teaching, Law, IT, Marketing, HR, Advertising etc.

For much more detailed information and resources relating to a career in business, visit our website www.ncirl.ie/careers.

Sample graduates career paths

2016 BA (Hons) Business	2016 – 2018 AIB Project Management Officer	2019 Australian Industry Standards Project Support Officer	2020 EY Senior Consultant
2016 BA (Hons) Business	2016 – 2017 Pershing Cash Administrator	2017 – 2021 Euronext Regulation Advisor	2021 EML Regulatory Compliance Specialist
2016 BA (Hons) Business	2017 – 2020 Northern Trust Project Manager	2020 – 2021 Citi Project Manager	2022 Grant Thornton Manager Financial Services Advisory
2016 BA (Hons) Business	2017 – 2018 Bank of America Merrill Lynch Settlement Analyst	2018 – 2019 KBC Bank Ireland Anti Money Laundering	2019 RSM Brazil Senior Consultant
2016 BA (Hons) Marketing	2016 – 2021 SAP, Ireland SuccessFactors	2022 Our Tandem Vice President of Sales & Marketing	



