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CHANG'AN DUBLIN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

Understanding your degree award

Key Features

Chang'an-Dublin International College (CDIC) of Transportation, founded in 2020, is a joint international college established in collaboration between University College Dublin (UCD) and Chang'an University (CHD).

CDIC undergraduate degree programmes are delivered through the medium of the English language. To facilitate this programmes have more than twice as much English language tuition than is currently required by the Chinese educational system. Students are supported and prepared for this through Academic English modules in stages 1 and 2. Assessments on these modules are aligned to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), with an exit level of C1, indicating proficient users who can 'use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes.

UCD is responsible for 50%, and CHD 50%, of the major related content of 240 ECTS credits. General education courses required in addition for the CHD degree only are delivered by CHD.

Study abroad opportunities exist for CDIC students to do their third or fourth year at UCD.

The award GPA, for the separate UCD and CHD degrees, are calculated in accordance with the academic regulations of each institution based on grades achieved during the programme of study. Separate final transcripts of results are also provided.

Grading at CDIC uses a letter system and not percentage marks. Letter grades are awarded for each module (see Appendix) and these letter grades appear on UCD Statement of Results and Transcripts. Percentage marks are awarded on CHD Statement of Results and Transcripts.

Associated with each letter grade is a grade point (GP). The GP's allow calculation of grade point averages (GPA's) for each stage of the programme and the final degree award. Because the general education courses, required by the Chinese Ministry of Education, form part of the CHD degree structure only, the stage and final award GPA's, for UCD and CHD degrees, can be different.

Stage GPA's

The stage GPA is the average of the GP's achieved, weighted by credit value where required, for an individual stage of a programme. All programmes have four stages.



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Final Award GPA's

For the CHD degrees the final award GPA is the credit weighted average, of grade points awarded, across all four stages of a programme.

For the UCD degrees the final award GPA is a weighted sum of Stage 3 and Stage 4 outlined below. Additionally UCD classifies degree awards at levels outlined in the Appendix.

Degree GPA Calculation	Stage Weightings
Final and penultimate stages (stage-weighted)	S4 - 70.00% S3 - 30.00%

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Appendix of Definitions and Guides

Module Grade Scales

(R) after a letter grade indicates a Grade Point is capped because of a repeat module or retaken assessment

		Grades
Standard	Excellent	A+, A, A-
	Very Good	B+, B, B-
	Good	C+, C, C-
	Acceptable	D+, D, D-
	Fail	E, F+, F, F-, G
	No Grade	NG
Non Standard	No Merit	NM
	Audit. No Credit Awarded	AU
	Distinction	DS
	Pass	P
	Pass by Compensation	PC
	Non Module Credits	XG
	No Work	NW
	Withdrawn (Future sittings may or may not have the grade point capped - see Regulations)	W
	Withdrawn (Future sittings are not capped - see Regulations)	WN
	Incomplete	I, IX, IP, IA, IM
Absent	ABS	

Qualification and Award Classification

GPA: Grade Point Average

The award GPA is the weighted average of the grade-points awarded for the final successful attempt at those modules which have been completed and passed to satisfy the credit requirements of the programme, where the grade-point for each module is weighted by the credit value of the module. The GPA Range is 0 - 4.2

The level of award is determined with reference to the following GPA scale:

GPA	Award
3.08 to 3.67	Second Class Honours, Grade 1
3.68 to 4.20	First Class Honours
2.48 to 3.07	Second Class Honours, Grade 2
2.00 to 2.47	Pass



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Stages and Credits

A student will progress through a programme in stages. Completion of each stage normally requires the successful accumulation of credits specified for each programme.

The stage GPA includes all passed modules to date for the stage.

Programme specifications define the credit requirements of each stage of a programme, and will specify the range of modules which must, or may, be taken in order to satisfy these credit requirements.

For further information see: <http://www.ucd.ie/registry/academicsecretariat/asug/>