FAQ

Funding and Entry Requirements:

 Applicants must be working in a private or commercial semi-state organisation registered in the Republic of Ireland (Business, Consultant, Freelancer) to avail of the grant-aided fees.
As a government-funded training network, we can only support those meeting these criteria.

Applicants who do not meet our funding criteria may in some cases be able to apply privately/directly to the college and pay the full fee of €1,700 if there are any available places. Contact us for more information.

 NFQ Level 6 is required for standard entry. For candidates who do not meet this minimum entry requirement, the college operates a <u>Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning (RPEL)</u> scheme whereby applicants may be considered based on relevant work or other experiences.

For applicants whose first language is not English, please note <u>the English language entry</u> requirements.

The college is the final arbiter in who is offered a place on this course. We only assess funding eligibility.

Fees 2023:

Full Course fee: €1,700

Skillnet grant: €401

Student fee: €1299*

*Part-funded fees are only available to eligible applicants.

Class details and time commitment:

The course is fully online and runs for 1 semester (12 weeks).

Live online lectures will be scheduled for 4 hours per week.

Indicative schedule: (6:00pm - 8:00pm) on Tuesday & Thursday nights.

2 hours of self-paced directed e-Learning consisting of short videos recommended reading, and tutorial exercises (non-scheduled). Students are encouraged to engage with this content each week before their live class to build an understanding and to prompt questions.

Are the classes recorded:

Yes, the classes are recorded and made available, but attendance is strongly advised as class engagement and group work is a key aspect of this course.

What modules are covered:

NCI Course details- https://www.ncirl.ie/Courses/NCI-Course-Details/course/CEDT

H7DBT <u>Digital Business Transformation</u>

H7EDT Emerging Digital Technologies

Module descriptors- (Indicative) http://courses.ncirl.ie/index.cfm/page/course/courseld/8409

How is the course assessed:

Emerging Digital Technologies Module Assessment is based on 100% continuous assessment (individual) consisting of two assignment submissions and covering the complete module curriculum.

Digital Business Transformation Module Assessment is based on 100% project (group project) consisting of two submission parts during the semester and will cover the complete module curriculum.

What qualification will I receive:

The course is 20 ECTS credits at Level 7.

This course is validated by QQI and successful applicants will receive a certificate awarded by QQI upon completion.

What software is required:

Classes are held on zoom and your coursework will be accessible on Moodle.

NCI has further information under "laptop Recommendations" HERE

Key Dates:

Applications Close- 2 weeks before course commencement

Payment Due- Minimum 1 week before commencement (See application process notes for further payment details)

Where can I get further information:

We highly recommend all students watch the info webinar located on the ICT Skillnet website to learn more about the course and hear from a past student about their experience.

Application Process:

- 1- Please submit your CV and company details <u>HERE</u> or you can email info@ictskillnet.ie directly with your company name and your NFQ Level 6 or above details and we will assess you for funding eligibility.
- 2- Eligible applicants will be sent the NCI application link to begin their official college application. To be assessed students must submit all requested documentation to NCI.
 - Transcripts & parchment for the applicants highest level of academic achievement
 - Current CV
 - Non-native English speakers to provide supporting documentation of their English level, unless they have already studied to a level 5 in English, further details regarding the NCI minimum entry requirements and English can be viewed HERE
- 3- Successful applicants will receive a "Conditional offer" from NCI which will become a full offer once payment has been received by ICT Skillnet.
- 4- ICT Skillnet issues a registration/payment form to students who receive a conditional offer. Please complete the form and ensure to read and confirm the T&C.
- 5- Upon receipt of your fees ICT Skillnet advises NCI who will then issue you a full offer and register you on their systems as a student.
- 6- NCI will contact all students who receive the full offer prior to classes commencing with details to join the classes.
- 7- ICT Skillnet will reach out to all students at the end of the programme with a short but invaluable survey which we use to evaluate all our programmes.

Please note regarding payment:

- -Your place is only secure once payment has been received and is due a minimum of 1 week before classes commence, if class capacity is reached, we must honour those who have completed payment first.
- -If your company is funding your position you may need to notify them in advance of the payment date and possibly, they may need you to provide you with a PO number for the invoice.
- Paying via EFT/Cheque is recommended as this will issue you an invoice for payment. Credit Card payments have an additional % stripe charge.

Information is correct as of February 2023. We will notify applicants if there are any updates to the information provided.