

# Key Dates and Deadlines 25/26

We cannot offer any extensions to CAO deadlines for 1st year applications or Portfolio Submission Dates. If you have questions please get in touch at [admissions@ncad.ie](mailto:admissions@ncad.ie)

Date	Event
October 2025	Portfolio Information Sessions for entry 2026: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Virtual: 20th October 2025.</li><li>– On Campus: 21st + 22nd October 2025.</li><li>– Product and Interaction Design Workshop: 29th October 2025.</li></ul>
November 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– NCAD Open Day 2025: Wednesday 26th November 2025.</li><li>– Portfolio Submission Platform Opens.</li></ul>
January 2026	Product and Interaction Design Workshop: 7th January 2026.
February 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– CAO Closing Date: Sunday 1st February 2026, final day to apply for all restricted art and design programmes. Product Design, Interaction Design and Visual Culture are unrestricted.</li><li>– International Applicant Closing Date: Sunday 1st February 2026.</li><li>– Portfolio Submission Deadline for ALL 1st Year Applicants: Friday 6th of February 2026.</li></ul>
March 2026	Advanced Entry deadline for any applications to Year 2: 31st March 2026.
April 2026	Portfolio results for entry to first year art and design programmes September 2026.
May 2026	Advanced Entry applicants will be contacted to upload their Portfolio.
June 2026	International Students who meet Minimum Entry Requirements will start receiving offers from June onwards.
July 2026	CAO Change of Mind Deadline: 1st July 2026.
August 2026	All offers to NCAD will be made in August for those that have applied to 1st Year Art and Design courses.

For more information on applying to NCAD, preparing your portfolio, NCAD Open Days and Events, visit **our website** or **email us**.

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