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Réamhrá 1

Ráiteas an Chathaoirligh 1.1

Ba bhliain ar leith í an bhliain 2011/12 do GMIT agus dhá chomóradh á gceiliúradh aici. Rinne sí a Comóradh 40 Bliain a cheiliúradh chomh maith lena 25 bliain i gCampas Leitir Fraic a cheiliúradh. Óstaíodh taispeántas saothair den scoth ó neacha léinn Leitir Fraic ar feadh dhá mhí i nDánlann Farmleigh i bPáirc an Fhionnúisce, a d'oscail Uachtaráin na hÉireann Micheál D Ó hUiginn.

Ar mhaithe lena haidhm Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta a bhaint amach, rinne an Institiúid comhaontas straitéiseach ar a dtugtar Comhaontas Chonnacht-Uladh, lena compháirtithe LYIT Leitir Ceanainn agus IT Sligo. Beidh an comhoibriú agus an mhuinín ríthábhachtach de réir mar a dhéanfar forbairt ar an gcomhaontas seo. Lean an fhobairt acadúil ar aghaidh gan staonadh, mar shampla, le creidiúnú chlár na Teicneolaíochta Ailtireachta ag an RIAI; Céim in Eolaíocht Bhithchógaíochta á tairiscint ar líne go hiomlán den chéad uair; agus na haipeanna a dhéanann beathaí a shábháil arna bhforbairt ag neacha léinn Ríomhairesca. Bhí an rath ar an Institiúid i roinnt comórtas, mar shampla, i gComórtas Cócaireachta Chomóradh 75 Bliain de chuid Aer Lingus, Duais Dearaidh de chuid na Cónaidehme Margáiochta Adhmaid, agus an Duais sna Scileanna Náisiúnta i ndéantús caibinéid a ghnóthaigh neach léinn as Leitir Fraic uair amháin eile.

Ta éachtaí iomadúla na foirne le moladh agus léirigh siad a dtiomantas agus a ngairmiúlacht agus iad ag coinneáil céim ar chéim le forbairtí nua. Rinne baill foirne ionadaíocht don Institiúid go náisiúnta agus go hidirnáisiúnta trína bheith ranpháirteach i bpriomhchomhdhálacha agus trí altanna acadúla a fhoilsíú. Is díol suime é an méadú suntasach atá tagtha ar líon na mball foirne atá i mbun uas-scileála agus forbartha.

Ar na forbairtí suntasacha eile le linn na bliana, bhí an rath a bhain leis an tionscadal straitéiseach maoinithe nuálaíochta idir AIT, NUIG agus GMIT, a chuir meicníocht ar fáil don athrú agus don nuálaíocht i réimse na foghlama agus an teagaisc. Bunaíodh láirionad taighde GMedTech go foirmiúil faoin scéim ARE de chuid Fhiontar Éireann.

Tá an ranpháirtíocht sa phobal ag dul i neart in aghaidh na bliana in GMIT. Bhailigh na neacha léinn cuid mhaith airgid do charthanais áitiúla agus do chuíseanna fiúntacha. D'oibrigh roinnt neach léinn ar an modúl um ranpháirtíocht sa phobal le scoileanna áitiúla i dtionscadal trasdisciplíneach agus rinne neacha léinn eile obair athchóirithe ar chlós súgartha áitiúil ar bhonn deonach. Mar ábhar suntasach ar leith agus imeacht a thaitin go mór liom, bhí an dinnéar comórtha a rinne macasamhlú ar an dinnéar a riarradh sa seomra bia den chéad

Introduction 1

Chairperson's Statement 1.1



The 2011/12 year was a very special year for GMIT with a double celebration. It celebrated its 40th Anniversary, in addition to celebrating 25 years in the Letterfrack Campus. A superb exhibition of work from Letterfrack students was hosted for two months in the Farmleigh Gallery in the Phoenix Park, which was opened by President of Ireland Michael D Higgins.

In pursuit of its ambition to become a Technological University, the Institute formed a strategic alliance with partners LYIT Letterkenny and IT Sligo, known as the Connacht-Ulster Alliance. Collaboration and trust will be key as this alliance develops. Academic development continued at a pace with, for example the Architectural Technology programme accredited by the RIAI; the Biopharmaceutical Science Degree now being offered totally on-line for the first time; and innovative apps that help save lives developed by Computing students. The Institute achieved success in several competitions, for example, the Aer Lingus 75th Anniversary Culinary Competition, the Wood Marketing Federation Design Award, and the winning of the National Skills Award in cabinet making by a Letterfrack student yet again.

The many achievements of staff are to be commended and they reflected the commitment and professionalism of staff in keeping abreast of new developments. Staff represented the Institute both nationally and internationally through participation in key conference and publishing academic articles. It is impressive also to see the significant increase in the number of staff engaging in professional up-skilling and development.

Other significant developments during the year included the success of the strategic innovation fund project between AIT and NUIG which provided a mechanism for change and innovation in the area of learning and teaching. The GMedTech research centre was formally established under the Enterprise Ireland ARE scheme.

Community engagement is growing stronger by the year in GMIT. Students raised considerable funds for local charities and worthy causes. Students on the civic engagement module worked with local schools in a cross disciplinary project and other students carried out refurbishment work to a local playground on a voluntary basis. Of particular significance and an event I really enjoyed, was the commemorative dinner replicating the meal served to guests in the first class dining room on the Titanic, and I would wish to extend my

ghrád ar an Titanic. Agus ba mhaith liom an rath a bhí ar an imeacht a thréaslú leis an Scoil Óstáin.

Mar Chathaoirleach ar an mBord Rialaithe, glacaim buíochas ó chroí leis an Uachtaráin, leis an bhFoireann Feidhmeannach agus le Bainistíocht GMIT as a dtiomantas leanúnach dár gcuid neach léinn. Mo bhuíochas mó� freisin le baill an Bhord Rialaithe a thug dá gcuid ama agus saineolais go deonach don Institiúid.



*Des Mahon
Cathaoirleach*

compliments to the Hotel School on the success of this event.

As Chairman of the Governing Body, I sincerely thank the President, the Executive Team, the Management and Staff of GMIT for their continued commitment and dedication to our students. A sincere thank you also to the Governing Body members who volunteer their time and expertise to the Institute.



*Des Mahon
Chairperson*

Ráiteas an Uachtaráin 1.2

Is institiúid ardoideachais den tseirbhís phoiblí í Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo (GMIT) atá bródúil as cálíocht an teagaisc agus as an neach léinn a lonnú i gceartlár na foghlama. Lean na cúinsí an-dúshláinacha a bhí roimh an tir agus roimh GMIT ach go háirithe le linn 2011/12. Cuireann na cúinsí dúshláinacha eacnamaíochta sin isteach ar chumas na hInstitiúide chun na spriocanna atá leagtha amach inár bPlean Straitéisise 2010-2015 ‘Do Láthair, Do Dhán’ a bhaint amach, agus cuireann siad isteach freisin ar an bhfoireann agus ar na neacha léinn dár gcuid.

Mar sin féin, níor tháinig lagú ar bith ar thiomantas na foirne do chur le raon na gclár agus na seirbhísí dár neacha léinn agus don phobal móir, agus do thábhacht agus ábharthacht na hInstitiúide a don fhorbairt shóisialta, chultúrtha agus eacnamaíochta an réigiún a chur chun cinn.

Le linn 2011-2012, lean GMIT de na spriocanna atá sainnithe i ngach ceann de chuíg philéar an Phlean Straitéisigh a bhaint amach:

- Foghlaim & Teagasc
- Timpeallacht an Neacha Léinn
- Taighde & Nuálaíocht
- Rannpháirtíocht sa Phobal
- Idirnáisiúnta & Comhoibriú

Mar thoradh ar fhoilsiú na Straitéisise Náisiúnta don Ardoideachas go dtí 2030, beidh leibhéal mhéadaithe den chomhoibriú idirinstitiúideach ar raon gníomhaíochtaí ina bpríomhfhócas don Institiúid i réimsí amhail:

- Taighde agus Nuálaíocht
- Pleanáil agus seachadadh cláir
- Forbairt na fiontraíochta
- Earcú neach léinn idirnáisiúnta

Ag eascairt as an bhfócas seo ar an gcomhoibriú, shínigh GMIT meamram tuisceana leis na coláistí compháirtíochta ar 31 Iúil 2012, IT Leitir Ceannainn agus IT Sligo, creating the Connacht-Ulster Alliance (CUA) on 31st July 2012 in the presence of An Taoiseach Enda Kenny.

Is príomhsprioc de chuid CCU é ainmniú mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta a bhaint amach mar atá soláthraithe sa Straitéis Náisiúnta.



President's Statement 1.2

Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology (GMIT) is a public service higher education institution which prides itself on the quality of its teaching and placing the student at the centre of learning. The very challenging conditions facing the country, higher education generally and GMIT in particular continued during 2011/12. These challenging economic conditions impact upon the ability of the Institute to achieve the objectives set out in our Strategic Plan 2010-2015 “Your Place, Your Future” and also impact directly upon our staff and students.

Nevertheless, the commitment of our staff to enhancing the range of programmes and services to students and the wider community, and to advancing the importance and relevance of the Institute to the social, cultural and economic development of the region is undiminished.

During 2011-2012, GMIT continued to achieve the objectives specified in each of the five pillars of the Strategic Plan:

- Learning & Teaching
- Student Environment
- Research & Innovation
- Community Engagement
- Internationalisation & Collaboration

Following the publication of the National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030, increased levels of inter-institutional collaboration on a range of activities will become a key focus for the Institute in areas such as:

- Research and innovation
- Programme planning & delivery
- Enterprise development
- International student recruitment

Arising from this focus on collaboration, GMIT signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with partner colleges Letterkenny IT and IT Sligo, creating the Connacht-Ulster Alliance (CUA) on 31st July 2012 in the presence of An Taoiseach Enda Kenny.

A key objective of the CUA is to achieve designation as a Technological University as provided for in the National Strategy.

I ndiaidh don Chomhairle Acadúil agus don Bhord Rialaithe an scéal a phlé, chuir an Institiúid cáipéis isteach mar fhreagra ar ‘I dTreo Thírdhreach Ardoideachais sa Todhchai’ de chuid an ÚAO ar 31 Iúil 2012, a raibh san áireamh ann ráiteas ar mhian Bhord Rialaithe GMIT a bheith ainmnithe mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta.

Mhol an tÚAO freisin go gcruthófaí cnuasaigh áitiúla d’instiúidí ardoideachais. Beidh GMIT ina cuid den Chnuasach Thiar/Thiar Thuaidh, ar a n-áirítear IT Leitir Ceanainn, IT Shligigh agus Coláiste Naomh Aingeal, Sligeach.

Rinne GMIT comhaontas foirmíul le RTÉ in Eanáir mar chuid de Lárionad a fhorbairt do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin ar chmpas Chluain Mhuire.

Le linn 2011/12, rinneadh machnamh ar struchtúr eagraíochtaí GMIT a athchumrú agus tar éis comhairliúcháin leis na ceardchumainn agus leis an bhfoireann, comhaontaíodh go dtiocfadh an struchtúr athbhreithnithe a leanas i bhfeidhm ón mbliain 2012/13, ar a n-áirítear dhá réimse fheidhmeacha nua:

- Coláiste Turasóireachta & Ealaón (an Lárionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin san áireamh)
- Gnóthaí Idirnáisiúnta, Margáiocht & Cumarsáid

D’fhonn fócas a chur ar fáil don gníomhaíocht taighde, ainmníodh trí lárionad taighde do mhaoiniú dírithe:

- Lárionad Taighde Muirí & Fionnúisce
- GMedTech (teicneolaíocht feistí leighis)
- Lárionad do Chomhtháthú na Teicneolaíochta Fuinnimh Inbhuaine

I mbliana d’óstaigh GMIT scoláire Fulbright, an Dr Gurram Gopal, ó Choláiste Elmhurst, Illinois.

Cuirfidh na forbairtí seo i gcomhoibriú, gníomhaíochtaí idirnáisiúnta agus taighde mórfhócas ar fáil do straitéis GMIT sna blianta atá romhainn.

Following consideration by the Academic Council and Governing Body, the Institute submitted its response to the HEA’s “Towards a Future Higher Education Landscape” document on 31st July 2012, including the statement of ambition by the GMIT Governing Body to achieve TU designation.

The HEA also proposed the creation of regional clusters of higher education institutions. GMIT will be part of the West/North-West Cluster including NUI Galway, Letterkenny IT, IT Sligo and St Angela’s College, Sligo.

GMIT also formed a strategic alliance with RTÉ as part of the development of a Centre for the Creative Arts and Media on the Cluain Mhuire campus in January.

During 2011/12, consideration was given to a re-configuring of the Institute’s organisational structure and following consultations with unions and staff, the following revised structure was agreed to take effect from the academic year 2012/13 including the creation of two new functional areas:

- College of Tourism & Arts (including the Centre for the Creative Arts & Media)
- International Affairs, Marketing & Communications

In order to provide a focus for research activity, three research centres were designated for targeted funding:

- Marine & Freshwater Research Centre (MFRC)
- GMedTech (Medical device technology)
- Centre for the *integration* of Sustainable Energy Technologies (CiSET)

This year also saw GMIT hosting a Fulbright scholar, Dr Gurram Gopal from Elmhurst College, Illinois.

These developments in collaboration, international activities and research will provide a major focus for GMIT strategy in the forthcoming years.

Ráiteas Misin & Straitéise 1.3

Feidhmíonn GMIT thar cúig champas i nGaillimh agus i gCaisleán an Bharraigh. Cuireann an campas is mó i nGaillimh speictream iomlán clár ar fáil thar na príomhréimsí disciplín, agus tá na trí lárionad taighde agus Lárionad Nuálaíochta i nGní suite ann.

Shainaithin Plean Straitéise GMIT 2010-2015 cúig philéar mar threoir dá forbairt: Foghlaim & Teagasc; Timpeallacht an Neacha Léinn; Taighde & Nuálaíocht; Rannpháirtíocht sa Phobal; agus Idirnáisiúmú.

Feiceann GMIT a misean go soiléir mar chomhlacht atá maoinithe go poiblí chun deiseanna foghlama ar feadh an tsaoil a fhorbairt trína teagasc agus taighde agus trí thacú le forbairt réigiúnach atá ag teacht leis an bpolasaí náisiúnta. Mar Institiúid Teicneolaíochta (IT) mhór ilchampais, is eagraíocht réigiúnach í GMIT a bhfuil fócas idirnáisiúnta aici, a bhfuil an t-eolas agus na scileanna gairmiúla ag a cuid céimithe a bhaineann go hábhARTHa le riachtanais forbortha shóisialta, chultúrtha agus fiontraíochta an réigiún.

Mar an tríú IT is mó, feiceann GMIT í féin ag leanúint de bheith ag cur cláir ar fáil atá dírithe ar an teicneolaíocht thar gach disciplín ag Leibhéal 6 - 8, le hiontráil, fágáil agus aistriú feabhsaithe chun rogha an neacha léinn a éascú. Cuireadh soláthar méadaithe miondámhachtainí agus dámhachtainí sainchuspóireacha ar fáil chun tacú le huas-scileáil an fhórsa saothair agus deiseanna feabhsaithe foghlama solúbtha/ar líne. Cuireann GMIT cláir mhúinte Leibhéal 9 ar fáil i sainréimsí.

Leanfaidh GMIT de chur le cáilíocht a cuid gníomhaíochtaí teagaisc agus foghlama agus do sheirbhísí tacaíochta na neach léinn. Leanfar den Timpeallacht Fhíorúil Foghlama a fhorbairt thar gach campus. Lena chois sin, tá beartaithe ag an Institiúid acmhainní breise a chur ar fáil chun tacú le hEispéaras rathúil na Chéad Bhliana.

Díreoidh GMIT a soláthar taighde Leibhéal 9/10 i sainreimsí disciplín áit a bhfuil an saineolas cuí ag an Institiúid agus oibreoidh sí i gcomhar le hInstitiúidí Ardoideachais compháirtíochta chun cur le cáilíocht agus ábharthacht na dtorthaí taighde. Trína Lárionad Nuálaíochta i nGní agus lárionad ainmnithe taighde, leanann GMIT de bheith ag tacú le forbairt fiontar atá ann cheana féin chomh maith le fiontair nua agus nuálacha.

Tá GMIT tiomanta d'oiriú i gcomhar le hInstitiúidí compháirtíochta chun feabhas a chur ar an soláthar réigiúnach clár, taighde agus nuálaíochta, forbairt na fiontraíochta agus comhsheirbhísí.

Mission & Strategy Statement 1.3

GMIT operates across five campuses in Galway and Castlebar. The largest campus in Galway provides a full spectrum of programmes across the main discipline areas, and hosts the three research centres and an Innovation in Business Centre.

GMIT's Strategic Plan 2010-2015 identified five pillars to guide its development: Learning & Teaching; Student Environment; Research & Innovation; Community Engagement; and Internationalisation.

GMIT clearly sees its mission as a publicly funded body to develop life-long learning opportunities through its teaching and research and supporting regional development, consistent with national policy. As a large multi-campus Institute of Technology (IoT), GMIT is a regional organisation with an international focus, whose graduates have the professional knowledge and skills relevant to the social, cultural and enterprise development needs of the region.

As the third largest IoT, GMIT sees itself continuing to provide technology-focussed programmes across all disciplines at Levels 6 – 8, with enhanced entry, exit and transfer opportunities to facilitate student choice. There has been increased provision of minor and special purpose awards to support workforce up-skilling and enhanced flexibility/online learning opportunities. GMIT provides level 9 taught programmes in specific areas.

GMIT will continue to enhance the quality of its teaching and learning activities and student support services. The Virtual Learning Environment will continue to be developed across all campuses. In addition, the Institute plans to provide additional resources to support the successful First Year Experience.

GMIT will focus its Level 9/10 research provision in specific discipline areas where the Institute has the requisite expertise and will work collaboratively with partner HEIs to enhance the quality and relevance of research outputs. GMIT through its Innovation in Business Centres and designated research centres continues to support the development of existing as well as new and innovative enterprises.

GMIT is committed to working collaboratively with partner institutions to enhance the regional provision of programmes, research and innovation, enterprise development and the shared services.

Tá beartaithe ag GMIT a spleáchas ar chroímhaoiniú a laghdú trí leas a bhaint as deiseanna maoinithe eile agus, go hairithe, trína cuid gníomhaíochtaí idirnáisiúnta a leathnú. Bhí 126 neach léinn Erasmus isteach ag GMIT chomh maith le 157 neach léinn amach de chuid GMIT ar chláir mhúinte agus socrúcháin. Ta beartaithe ag GMIT a cuid gníomhaíochtaí Erasmus a dhíriú ar chomhoibriú le hinstítíúidí ar féidir leo cohóirt neach léinn a sheachadadh agus a ghlacadh go seasta d'fhoinn an próiseas a chuíchóiriú, naisc de chálíocht mhaith a thógáil agus comhtháthú níos fearr isteach i gcláir acadúla a chinntiú. Tacaíonn GMIT trí Erasmus agus tri bhealaí eile le neacha léinn a bhíonn ag tabhairt faoi shocrúcháin oibre thar lear mar chuid den eispéaras oideachais idirnáisiúnta a leathnú. Ag teacht le polasaí an ÚAO, tá beartaithe ag GMIT tacú le baill foirne agus iad ag tabhairt faoin soghluaiseacht agus chun ath-shoghluaiseacht a laghdú.

Tá beartaithe ag GMIT a cuid gníomhaíochtaí neamh-AE a leathnú i bpriomh-mhargá roghnaithe, agus í ag obair i gcomhar le hinstítíúidí sa réigiún, le IiT, le compháirtíochtaí thar lear agus le Fiontar Éireann. Aithníonn GMIT freisin an gá lena curaclam a idirnáisiúnú ar mhaithle le neacha léinn áitiúla agus idirnáisiúnta araon agus cláir shaincheaptha a fhorbairt don mhargadh idirnáisiúnta. Tá beartaithe ag GMIT freisin a cláir a sheachadadh thar lear i margá roghnaithe (Ollscoil Nanchang faoi láthair) agus go féideartha saoráidí thar sáile a oibriú agus a bhainistiú (e.g. An Araib Shádach).

GMIT plans to reduce its dependence on core funding through availing of other funding opportunities and, in particular, through expansion of its international activities. GMIT had 126 incoming Erasmus students along with 157 outgoing GMIT students on taught programmes and work placement. GMIT plans to focus its Erasmus activities on collaborating with institutions which can consistently deliver and accept cohorts of students annually in order to streamline the process, to build quality links and to ensure better integration into academic programmes. GMIT through Erasmus and otherwise also supports students undertaking work placements overseas as part of broadening their international education experience. In line with HEA policy, GMIT plans to support new staff undertaking mobility and reduce repeat mobility.

GMIT plans to expand its non-EU activities in selected key markets, working collaboratively with institutions in the region, IoTI, partner institutions overseas and Enterprise Ireland. GMIT also recognises the need to internationalise its curriculum to benefit both local and international students and to develop tailored programmes for the international market. GMIT also plans to deliver its programmes overseas in selected markets (currently in Nanchang University) and potentially operate and manage facilities overseas (e.g. Saudi Arabia).

Rialachas 2

An Bord Rialaithe 2.1

Ceaptha: Aibreán 2010 –Aibreán 2015

Des Mahon Uas.

Cathaoirleach (*ceaptha Meitheamh 2011*)

Michael Carmody Uas.

Uachtarán GMIT (*ceaptha Aibreán 2011*)

Donagh O'Donoghue Uas.

IBEC

Breandán Ó Callaráin Uas.

CGO Chathair na Gaillimhe, *déirigh as 1/5/12;*
tháinig Tomás Mac Pháidín Uas.

CGO Chathair na Gaillimhe ina ionad i Lúnasa 2012

An Comh. Terry O'Flaherty

CGO Chathair na Gaillimhe

Seosamh Mac Donncha Uas

CGO Chontae na Gaillimhe

An Comh. Eileen Mannion

CGO Chontae na Gaillimhe

An Comh. Pat McMahon

CGO Chontae an Chláir

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An Comh. Michelle Mulherin CGO Chontae Mhaigh Eo, *déirigh as Deireadh Fómhair 2011;* tháinig an Dr Katie Sweeney ina hionad mí na Nollag 2011

Marie Finnegan Uas.

Ionadaí na Foirne Acadúla

An Dr Seán Duignan

Ionadaí na Foirne Acadúla

Liam Noonan Uas.

Ionadaí na Foirne Neamh-Acadúla

Joe Cunningham Uas.

ICTU

Paul Shelly Uas.

Cumann Tráchtala na Gaillimhe

Máire Ní Chionna Uas.

Innealtóirí Éireann

Siobhán Burke Uas.

Cónaídhm Óstáin na hÉireann

Jane Daly Uas.

An Chomhairle Ealaón

Aontas na Neach Léinn, Bliaín Acadúil 11/12

Joe O'Connor Uas.

Ionadaí Neach Léinn

Verity Spencer Uas.

Ionadaí Neach Léinn

Governance 2

Governing Body 2.1

Appointed: April 2010 – April 2015

Mr Des Mahon

Chairman (*appointed June 2011*)

Mr Michael Carmody

President GMIT (*appointed April 2011*)

Mr Donagh O'Donoghue

IBEC

Mr Breandán Ó Callaráin

City of Galway VEC, *resigned 1/5/12;*

replaced by Mr Tomás Mac Pháidín

City of Galway VEC in August 2012

Cllr Terry O'Flaherty

City of Galway VEC

Mr Seosamh Mac Donncha

County Galway VEC

Cllr Eileen Mannion

County Galway VEC

Cllr Pat McMahon

County Clare VEC

Cllr Michelle Mulherin County Mayo VEC, *resigned October 2011,* replaced by Dr Katie Sweeney in December 2011

Ms Marie Finnegan

Academic Staff Representative

Dr Sean Duignan

Academic Staff Representative

Mr Liam Noonan

Non-Academic Staff Representative

Mr Joe Cunningham

ICTU

Mr Paul Shelly

Galway Chamber of Commerce

Ms Máire Ní Chionna

Engineers Ireland

Ms Siobhán Burke

Irish Hotels Federation

Ms Jane Daly

The Arts Council

Students' Union Academic Yr 11/12

Mr Joe O'Connor

Student Representative

Ms Verity Spencer

Student Representative

Baill an Bhord Rialaithe

Governing Body Members



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An Plean Forbartha Straitéiseach 4

Strategic Development Plan 4

An Plean Forbartha Straitéiseach

Ceapadh Plean Forbartha Straitéiseach GMIT 2010-2015 ‘Do Láthair – Do Thodhchaí’ chun an tréimhse 2010-15 a chuimsiú. Bunaíodh an plean ar chúig philéar:

- Foghlaim & Teagasc
- Timpeallacht an Neacha Léinn
- Taighde & Nuálaocht
- Rannpháirtíocht sa Phobal
- Idirnáisiúnú & Comhoibriú

Feiceann GMIT a todhchaí agus í dírithe go docht ar dheis a chur ar fáil dá cuid neach léinn chun a gcumas a forbairt, trí bhéim láidir a chur ar cháilíocht an teagaisc ag leibhéal na fochéime agus leibhéal na hiarchéime agus ar chreat tréan tacáiochta a forbairt don teagasc agus don fhoghlaím. Teastaíonn ó GMIT a chinntiú go mbeidh a cuid neach léinn, mar fhoghlaimeoirí gníomhacha, mar aon le foireann uile na hInstitiúide in ann cailíocht na foghlama agus an teagaisc a dheimhniú. Bhí sé ina aidhm dhocht agus ina chuntas teiste i gcónaí ag GMIT cothromas sóisialta a chur chun cinn trí mheán an ardoideachais.

Díríonn an Institiúid i gcónaí ar inrochtaineacht a fheabhsú don uile dhuine a d’fhéadfadh leas a bhaint aisti. Leanann GMIT de bheith ag forbairt deiseanna rochtana dóibh siúd a gcuireann a dtosca sóch-eacnamaíocha isteach ar a mian a bheith páirteach san ardoideachas. Athdhearbháíonn an Institiúid a tiomantas do chóras solúbtha a chruthú chun freastal ar riachtanais neach léinn ag an uile staid ina saol. Feiceann GMIT a todhchaí mar acmhainn réigiúnach i bhforás réigiúnach eacnamaíochta agus sóisialta a chur chun cinn.

Strategic Development Plan

The GMIT Strategic Development Plan “Your Place – Your Future” was designed to cover the period 2010-2015. The plan was built around five pillars:

- Learning & Teaching
- Student Environment
- Research & Innovation
- Student-Community Engagement
- Internationalisation & Collaboration

GMIT sees its future strongly focussed on providing its students with an opportunity to develop their potential, through a strong emphasis on the quality of the teaching at undergraduate and post-graduate level and on the development of a strong supporting framework for teaching and learning. GMIT wants to ensure that its students, as active learners, together with all the staff of the Institute, ensure and assure the quality of learning and teaching. GMIT has always had a strong belief and track record in promoting social equity through higher education.

The Institute continues to focus on improving access and accessibility for all who are in position to benefit. GMIT continues to develop access opportunities for those whose socio-economic circumstances impaired their readiness to participate in higher education. The Institute reaffirms its commitment to creating a flexible system to meeting the needs of students at all stages of their lives. GMIT sees its future as a regional resource in the promotion of regional economic and social growth.

Foghlaim agus Teagasc 4.1

Bhí ceithre sprioc agus seacht bpriomhstraitéis déag ag an bPiléar Foghlaim agus Teagasc den Phlean Straitéiseach. Ba í a straitéis uileghabháilach ná eispéaras foghlama an neacha léinn a dhéanamh níos gníomháigus níos rannpháirtí.

Ba iad na ceithre sprioc a bhí ag an bPiléar Foghlama agus Teagaisc ná:

1. Straitéisí Foghlama, Teagaisc, Measúnaithe agus Ráthaíochta Cáilíochta a chur i bhfeidhm a chuireann samhail neach léinn-láraithe foghlama chun cinn.
2. Ceannaireacht agus tacaiocht a chur ar fáil don chuir chuige don Foghlaim agus don Teagasc.
3. Forbairt foirne a ailníú le straitéis Foghlama, Teagasc agus Measúnaithe na hInstitiúide.
4. Córás a chruthú chun go rachaidh neacha léinn i ngleic le cáilíocht a bhfoghlama.

Ar na priomhrudaí a baineadh amach sa bliain acadúil 2011/12 faoin bpiléar seo bhí:

Straitéisí Foghlama, Teagaisc, Measúnaithe agus Ráthaíochta Cáilíochta a chur i bhfeidhm a chuireann samhail neach léinn-láraithe foghlama chun cinn.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Aitheantas níos mó a chur ar fáil do 'ghuth an neacha léinn' i bhfeabhsú teagaisc agus measúnaithe.
2. Ionchas neacha léinn a lua go soiléir i dtaca lena bhfreagrachtaí foghlama aonair.
3. Modhanna foghlama a chur chun cinn a fheabhsaíonn cleachtas gairmiúil laistigh agus lasmuigh den seomra ranga.
4. Polasáí nuálach ar mheasúnú a fhorbairt.

Ceannaireacht agus tacaiocht a chur ar fáil don chuir chuige don Foghlaim agus don Teagasc.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Struchtúr níos sholúbtha agus roghanna seachadta a fhorbairt.
2. Leanúint de mhodúlúchán agus creat solúbtha curaclaim a chur i bhfeidhm.
3. Soláthar 'gairmiúil' Máistir agus PhD a fhorbairt.
4. Athbhreithnithe bliantúla a dhéanamh ar thairiscintí cláir ar mhaith le cúrsafocht, ábharthacht agus inbhuanaitheacht.
5. Clár nua a fhorbairt, i gcomhar le hAontas na Neach Léinn, ar aistriú ón oideachas go dtí an láthair oibre.

Learning and Teaching 4.1

The Learning and Teaching Pillar of the Strategic Plan had four objectives and seventeen key strategies. Its overarching strategy was to make the student learning experience more active and participatory.

The four objectives of the Learning & Teaching Pillar were:

1. Implement Learning, Teaching, Assessment and Quality Assurance strategies that promote a student centred model of learning.
2. Provide leadership and support for innovative approaches to Learning and Teaching
3. Align staff development with the Learning,Teaching and Assessment strategy of the Institute.
4. Create a system to engage students in the quality of their learning.

Key achievements under this pillar for the 2011/12 academic year included:

Implement Learning, Teaching, Assessment and Quality Assurance strategies that promotes a student centred model of learning.

Key Strategies:

1. Provide greater recognition for the 'student voice' in the enhancement of teaching and assessment.
2. State clearly student expectations in relation to their individual learning responsibilities.
3. Promote modes of learning which enhance professional practice inside and outside the classroom.
4. Develop an innovative policy on assessment.

Provide leadership and support for innovative approaches to Learning and Teaching

Key Strategies:

1. Develop more flexible programme structures and delivery options.
2. Continue the roll-out of modularisation and the flexible curriculum framework.
3. Develop 'professional' Masters and PhD provision.
4. Undertake annual reviews of programme offerings for currency, relevance and sustainability.
5. Develop a new programme, in association with the Students' Union, on transitioning from education to the workplace.

6. Foghlaim obairbhunaithe agus creidiúnú ag leibhéal fochéime agus iarchéime a fhorbairt agus a leathnú.
7. Measúnú a dhéanamh ar inbhuanaitheacht thionscadail SIF d'fhonn comhoibriú le NUIG agus AIT i gcúrsaí foghlama agus teagaisc a chuichóiriú.

Forbairt foirne a ailníú le straitéis Foghlama, Teagaisc agus Measúnaithe na hInstitiúide.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Baill foirne atá tiomanta d'ardchaighdeáin foghlama, teagaisc, scoláireachta agus taighde a mhealladh agus a choinneáil.
2. Conairí a chur ar fáil do bhaill foirne chun forbairt ghairmiúil iarchéime a dhéanamh.
3. Creat a fhorbairt le haghaidh taighde institiúidigh san Fhoghlaím, Teagasc agus Measúnú.

Córas a chruthú chun go rachaidh neacha léinn i ngleic le cálíocht a bhfoghlama.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Áit a thabhairt do na neacha léinn mar 'chomhoibrithe gafa' sa mheasúnú, teagasc, pleánáil cláir, feabhsú cálíochta agus rialachas institiúideach.
2. Polasaí coinneála agus éachta neacha léinn a cheapadh agus a chur i bhfeidhm do gach clár, agus béisim ar leith ar eispéaras na chéad bhliana.
3. Peirspictíocht an neacha léinn a leabú i ngach gné den teagasc, feabhsú cálíochta agus ráthaíocht cálíochta.

Duais Uachtaráin GMIT don tSármhaiteas sa Teagasc

Chuaigh Barry McMillan, léachtóir san Eitic agus Staidéar Reiligiún, isteach i bhfoireann teagaisc GMIT i Meán Fómhair 2008 agus faoi láthair tugann sé léachtaí i Scoileanna na nDaonnachaí, Gnó agus sa Choláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaíon. Is iad a chuid sainábhar ná Eitic, Staidéar Reiligiún, Béarla, Cumarsáid agus Maoirseacht Taighde. Tá cuid mhaith foilsithe aige mar scríbhneoir, is cainteoir comhdhála é atá molta go hard, agus tá taithí mhór aige mar chraoltóir.

6. Develop and expand work-based learning and accreditation at undergraduate and postgraduate level.
7. Assess the sustainability of SIF projects with a view to mainstreaming collaboration with NUIG and AIT in learning and teaching

Align staff development with the Learning, Teaching and Assessment strategy of the Institute.

Key Strategies:

1. Attract and retain staff with a commitment to high standards of learning, teaching, scholarship and research.
2. Provide pathways for staff to pursue post-graduate professional development.
3. Develop a framework for institutional research in Learning, Teaching and Assessment.

Create a system to engage students in the quality of their learning.

Key Strategies:

1. Position students as 'engaged collaborators' in assessment, teaching, programme planning, quality improvement and Institute governance.
2. Devise and implement a student retention and achievement policy for all programmes, with a particular emphasis on the first year experience.
3. Embed the student perspective in all aspects of teaching, quality enhancement and quality assurance.



Faigheann Barry McMillan Uas a dhuais ón Uachtaráin, Michael Carmody Uas.

Mr Barry McMillan receiving his award from President, Mr Michael Carmody

GMIT President's Award for Teaching Excellence

Barry McMillan, a lecturer in Ethics & Religious Studies, joined the teaching staff of GMIT in September 2008 and currently lectures in the Schools of Humanities, Business and College of Tourism and Arts. His academic specialities are Ethics, Religious Studies, English, Communications and Research Supervision. He is a widely-published writer, an acclaimed conference speaker, and an experienced broadcaster.

D'oibrigh an tUasal McMillan go náisiúnta agus go hidirnáisiúnta ó 1990. Creideann sé gur féidir le gach neach léinn teacht i mbláth má chuirtear an dúshlán cuí roimhe/roimpi le tacaíocht oiriúnach.

Scoil Ghnó

- Rinne Scoil Ghnó GMIT cloch mhíle a cheiliúradh le linn na bliana acadúla seo caite nuair a chuir neacha léinn cuntasáiochta an Clár um Leibhéal Gairmiúil ACCA, a seachadadh in GMIT i gcrích den chéad uair. Chuaigh na neacha léinn ar aghaidh go díreach chuig an gclár bliana ACCA tar éis an clár trí bliana a chur i gcrích.
- Cur i láthair ag triúr léachtóirí, Nicholas Cann, Patricia McCann agus Miriam McSweeney ar '*Lecturers are doing it for themselves - The MUGS experience in GMIT*' ag Comhdháil Líonra Nuálaíochta Foghlama i mBaile Átha Cliath, Deireadh Fómhair 2011. Rinne Evelyn Moylan (GMIT) agus Nuala Harding (AIT) ceardlann ar Fheabhsú Foghlama trí Thacaíochta Piara le Piara a chomhóstú.
- Moladh neacha léinn de chuid an cheathrú bliain den BA i nGnó agus Cumarsáid as a rannpháirtíocht sa chlár um obair dheonach Best Buddies in GMIT. Caitheann oibrithe deonacha go cairdiúil le duine atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste intleachtúil, agus ar an gcaoi sin tugann deiseanna sóisialta dóibh siúd nach mbeadh a leithéid acu, seans, gan é, amhail babhláil, dul ar an bpictiúrlann agus siopadóireacht.
- Chuir neacha léinn ón Scoil Ghnó, i gcomhar lena gcomh-neacha léinn Innealtóireachta agus Óstáin, a gcuid taithí ar an gclár Comhpháirteachas Poiblí i láthair in GMIT ag fóram oscailte i mBealtaine.

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Scoil na hInnealtóireachta

- Thug na moltóirí moladh ard d'aiste Glen Shearer dar teideal "*Equine Respiratory Ailment Detector*" sa chatagóir Eolaíochtaí Meicniúla & Innealtóireachta de na Duaisseanna Fochéime Éireann & Tuaisceart Éireann. Éacht iontach a bhí ann de bhrí go raibh a aiste sa 10% ba airde den 2,345 a fuarthas. Bhí aiste Glenn bunaithe ar a chuid oibre don tionscadal deireadh bliana ar bhraiteoirí riospráide eachaí.
- Rinne Institiúid Ríoga na nAiltíri in Éirinn creidiúnú ar chlár an BSc i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta.
- PASSIV HOUSE REVIT 2011: Ghnóthaigh Daniel Connolly, neach léinn sa 3ú bliain den chlár BSc i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta, tionscadal a bhí maoinithe ag NAIRTL chun spás foghlama a fhorbairt le haghaidh dearadh agus tógáil tí éigníomhaigh.

Mr. McMillan has worked, nationally and internationally, in the fields of education and community development since the 1990s. He believes that every student can flourish if appropriately challenged and supported.

School of Business

- GMIT Business School celebrated a milestone during the past academic year when accountancy students completed the ACCA Professional Level Programme delivered in GMIT for the first time. The students progressed directly onto the one year ACCA programme following completion of a three year programme.
- Presentation by three lecturers, Nicholas Cann, Patricia McCann and Miriam McSweeney on '*Lecturers are doing it for themselves - The MUGS experience in GMIT*' at the Learning Innovation Network (LIN) Conference in Dublin, Oct 2011. A workshop on Learning Enhancement through Peer to Peer Support was co-hosted by Evelyn Moylan (GMIT) and Nuala Harding (AIT).
- Fourth year Students from BA Gnó agus Cumarsáid were highly commended for their participation in the Best Buddies volunteering programme in GMIT. Volunteers befriend a person with an intellectual disability, thereby affording them social opportunities they may otherwise not have e.g. bowling, going to the cinema and shopping.
- Civic Engagement students from the School of Business, in conjunction with their fellow students in Engineering and Hotel, presented their experiences on the Civic Engagement programme in GMIT at an open forum held in May.

School of Engineering

- Glen Shearer's essay entitled "*Equine Respiratory Ailment Detector*" was highly commended by the judges in the Engineering & Mechanical Sciences category of the 2011 Undergraduate of Ireland & N. Ireland Awards. It was an excellent achievement as his essay is among the top 10% of the 2,345 received. Glen's essay was based on his final year project work on equine respiratory detectors.
- The BSc. Architectural Technology programme was accreditate by the Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland.
- PASSIV HOUSE REVIT 2011. Daniel Connolly, a 3rd year student on the BSc Architectural Technology programme, won a NAIRTL funded project to develop a learning space for passive house design and construction.

- Fuair neacha léinn Innealtóireachta GMIT (3 Meicniúil agus 3 Leictreach) an lámh in uachtar ar neacha léinn Choláiste na Tríonóide i leaschraobh imeacht ROBOT SUMO sa Radisson ar 21 Eanáir. Bhain na cónseálaithe (na léachtóirí Séan Coffey, an Dr Tom Roche agus Emer Cahill-Boyle le cabhair Jim O'Connor) úsáid as trealamh réamhdhéanta chun na neacha léinn a chur i mbun oibre. Thóg neacha léinn Choláiste na Tríonóide a gcuid róbat féin i gcomhar le hOllscoil Carnegie-Mellon sna SA!
- Bhí Turnaimint Bhliantúil Innealtóireachta Sacair Conor Sweeney ar siúl i mí an Mhárta i bpáirc imearthá Mervue United, agus í arna heagrú ag an Dr Paul O'Dowd ó Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Meicniúla agus Tionsclaíochta, Emma Joyce agus Niall Nugent ón gCumann Innealtóireachta, agus Sinéad McCormack ón FAI. Bailfodh breis is €140 de bharr animeachta don charthan Best Buddies de chuid GMIT. Chuir Aontas na Neach Léinn duaiseanna flaithiúla ar fáil agus bhronn Alan Doherty iad.

Scoil na hEolaíochta

- Rinne an Dr Deirdre Brophy freastal ar cheardlann ar idirdhealú crutha otailite ag IMARES Wageningen, Ijmuiden (an Ísiltír) i mBealtaine. I láthair ag an gceardlann bhí taighdeoirí as gach ceann den Eoraip a bhí gníomhach i réimse analíse crutha otailite.
- Bhronn an Bord Scrúdaithe agus Teastaíthe Gairmiúil creidiúnú ‘Certified ISO/IEC 27005 Risk Manager’ ar an Dr Séan Duignan.
- Tairgeadh an chéim onóracha fhorlíontach in Eolaíocht Bhithchógaíocht ar líne go hiomlán den chéad uair agus tugadh na léachtaí agus na ranganna teagaisc go léir ar an idirlíon. Meastar gurbh é sin an chéad uair a tairgeadh clár de chuid na hInstitiúide riamh ar an gcaoi sin.
- Ghnóthaigh Mary Gallagher, BSc in Eolaíocht Leighis, Duais AMLS an Uachtaráin dá tioncadal bliana deiridh.
- Chruthaigh neacha léinn ar an gclár BSc i bhForbairt Bogearrai aip nuálach a chuireann cabhair ar fáil go huathoibríoch i gcás timpiste.



Na neacha léinn Alan O'Connor (ar chlé) agus Gerard Nee (ar dheis) in éineacht lena léachtóir Damien Costello

- GMIT Engineering students (3 Mechanical and 3 Electronic) beat TCD students in the semi-finals of The ROBOT SUMO event in the Radisson on 21 January. The coaches (lecturers Sean Coffey, Dr. Tom Roche and Emer Cahill-Boyle with assistance from Jim O'Connor) used off-the-shelf kit to get the students started. The Trinity students built their own robots in association with Carnegie-Mellon University in US!
- The annual Conor Sweeney Engineering Soccer Tournament took place in March in the Mervue United pitch, organised by Dr Paul O'Dowd of the Department of Mechanical and Industrial engineering, Emma Joyce and Niall Nugent of the Engineering Society, and Sinead McCormack of the FAI. The event raised over €140 for GMIT's Best Buddies charity. Generous prizes were provided by the Students' Union and presented by Alan Doherty.

School of Science

- Dr Deirdre Brophy attended a workshop on otolith shape discrimination at IMARES Wageningen, Ijmuiden (the Netherlands) in May. The workshop was attended by researchers from all over Europe who were active in the field of otolith shape analysis.
- Dr Sean Duignan was awarded the ‘Certified ISO/IEC 27005 Risk Manager’ accreditation by the Professional Examination and Certification Board.
- The add-on honours degree in Biopharmaceutical Science was offered totally on-line for the first time with lectures and tutorials delivered over the internet. It is believed this is the first time that a programme from the Institute has been offered in this way.
 - Mary Gallagher BSc. Medical Science won the AMLS President’s Prize for her final year project.
 - Students on the BSc. programme in Software Development created an innovative app that provides automatic assistance in the event of an accident

Students Alan O'Connor (left) and Gerard Nee (right) with their lecturer Damien Costello

- Ghlac an Dr Simon Berrow páirt i gclár Autumnwatch de chuid an BBC go luath le linn na Samhna. Craoladh an clár seo ar BBC2 agus bhí idir a 2 agus a 3 mhilliún duine ag breathnú air.
- Chuir Roinn na nEolaíochtaí Bitheacha & Fisiceacha túis le seachadadh clár Leibhéal 6 ar líne in Eanáir d'fhostaithe de chuid Allergan Pharmaceuticals, Cathair na Mart.
- Dóstaigne GMIT comórtas bliantúil Eurachem i Mártá. Comórtas náisiúnta a bhí ann d'eolaithe anailíseacha as IoT agus ollscoileanna. Tháinig GMIT sa dara háit, rud a chruithíonn a cuntas teiste mar cheann de na gníomhaithé is airde sa réimse sin.

An Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón

- Rinne ceathrar neach léinn de chuid GMIT ionadaíocht don Chlár Forbartha Bainistíochta Oiliúnaí de chuid Fáilte Éireann agus ghnóthaigh an chéad duais i gCluiche Náisiúnta Bainistíochta 2011 de chuid an Irish Hospitality Institute (IHI).
- Ghnóthaigh Anthony Kelly, céimí de chuid an chlár BA in Ealaíona Cócaireachta, Comórtas Comóradh Cothrom 75 Bliain Aer Lingus. As Siúcra agus Pastillage a rinneadh píosa buach Anthony agus chuimsigh sé téamaí uile Aer Lingus.
- Rinne Emma O'Loughlin, neach léinn san Ardteastas In Ealaíona Cócaireachta, ionadaíocht don Scoil i gcomórtais Chumann Scoileanna Óstáin na hEorpa sa Hág. Rinne Mary Reid, Léachtóir in Ealaíona Cócaireachta agus faighteoir Duais an Uachtaráin don tSármhaiteas i dTeagasc roimhe sin, Emma a theagasc.

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Chun tosaigh, C go D:
Sebastian Block, Knock
House Hotel, Fergal
O'Connell, Uachtarán
FIHI, Matti Reuter
(Capt), Clarion Hotel
Sligeach George Finnegan,
Léachtóir GMIT. Ar chúl,
C go D: Seán O'Malley,
Fáilte Éireann, Eoin
Jacob, Lyrath County
House Hotel & Estate, Cill
Chainnígh, Patrick Hogan,
Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise
agus Monica Murphy,
Febvre & Co.

- Dr Simon Berrow participated in the BBC's Autumnwatch programme during early November. This programme was broadcast on BBC2 and had a viewership of around 2 to 3 million.
- The Department of Life & Physical Sciences commenced delivery of an online Level 6 programme in January to employees of Allergan Pharmaceuticals, Westport.
- GMIT hosted the annual Eurachem Competition in March. This is a national competition for analytical scientists from IoTs and universities. GMIT came second in the competition confirming its record as one of the high performers in this area.

College of Tourism and Arts

- Four GMIT students, represented Fáilte Ireland's Trainee Management Development Programme (TMDP), and took the top prize in the 2011 Irish Hospitality Institute (IHI) National Business Management Game.
- Anthony Kelly, graduate from BA Culinary Arts, programme won the Aer Lingus 75th Anniversary Culinary Competition. Anthony's winning piece was made of Sugar and Pastillage and encompasses all of the Aer Lingus themes.
- Emma O'Loughlin, Higher Certificate Culinary Arts student, represented the School in the European Association of Hotel Schools competitions in The Hague. Mary Reid, lecturer in Culinary Arts and previous recipient of the President's Award for Teaching Excellence, tutored Emma.



Front Row, L to R:
Sebastian Block, Knock
House Hotel, Fergal
O'Connell, FIHI President,
Matti Reuter (Capt), Sligo
Clarion Hotel, George
Finnegan, GMIT lecturer.
Back row, L to R: Sean
O'Malley, Fáilte Ireland,
Eoin Jacob, Lyrath County
House Hotel & Estate,
Kilkenny, Patrick Hogan,
Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise
and Monica Murphy,
Febvre & Co.

- Ceapadh Barry McMillan, Léachtóir i Staidéar Reiligiún & Eitice, ina léirmheastóir ealaón ar an gclár nua raidió ar ghnóthaí reiligiúnacha de chuid RTÉ.
- Tá caibidil le Barry McMillan, Léachtóir, sa leabhar nua, Enda McDonagh agus Vincent MacNamara (eag.i.), *An Irish Reader in Moral Theology - The Legacy of the Last Fifty Years, Volume II: Sex, Marriage and the Family*
- Bhuaigh an cóaire céimí de chuid GMIT, Kamil Dubanik as Knockranny House Hotel i gCathair na Mart Cóaire Óg Eurotoques na Bliana. Ón bPolainn dó ó thús, chuir Kamil Ardteastas i gCócaireacht Gairmiúil i gcrích in 2011 le linn dó a bheith ag obair in Knockranny House Hotel i gCo. Mhaigh Eo.
- **Gnóthaonn Julia ór, a bhui ar fad le Plúirín Sneachta**
Ghnóthaigh triúr neach léinn ealaón cócaireachta boinn Óir, Airgid agus Chré-umha faoi seach ag an gcomórtas náisiúnta 2012 IFEX ChefSkill. Ghnóthaigh Julia Babikov, neach léinn BA in Ealaíona Cócaireachta, a bonn óir dá cáca nuagach 'Plúirín Sneachta agus an Seachtar Abhac'.
- Ghnóthaigh Brian Dermody, neach léinn sa dara bliain den chlár Ardteastas in Ealaíona Cócaireachta, bonn airgid sa Chomórtas Idirmáisiúnta Eitneach, Agus ghnóthaigh Mihai Schirliu, neach léinn sa chéad bliain den chlár Ardteastas in Ealaíona Cócaireachta, agus cóaire ar oiliúint atá ag obair i mBialann Twelve's West, Gaillimh, bonn cré-umha as a mhias éisc.

Tugadh cuireadh do GMIT obair na neach léinn a chur ar taispeáint ag an Sráidbháile Domhanda 2012 ó Mheitheamh go Iúil.

Rinne grúpa oibre ildisciplíneach, baill foirne agus neach léinn, as na campais uile coimeád ar na samplaí ab fhéarr de shaothar neacha léinn as réimsí amhail Ealaín & Dearadh, Dearadh & Teicneolaíocht Troscáin, Scannán & Teilifís, Innealtóireacht, Eolaíocht, Matamaitic, Gnó, Altranas & Sáinte agus Oideachas Allamuigh. Mar a mhínígh Marian McEvoy, léachtóir ag Láirionad GMIT do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin, 'Ba í an fhís a bhí ag an ngrúpa oibre ná ardán dinimiciúil a chruthú i gceartlár an tSráidbháile Dhomhanda le linn do shúile an domhain a bheith dírithe ar Ghaillimh'

- Barry McMillan, Lecturer in Religious Studies & Ethics, was appointed arts reviewer on the new RTÉ radio religious affairs programme.
- Barry McMillan, has a chapter in the new book, Enda McDonagh and Vincent MacNamara (eds.), *An Irish Reader in Moral Theology - The Legacy of the Last Fifty Years, Volume II: Sex, Marriage and the Family*
- GMIT graduate chef, Kamil Dubanik from Knockranny House Hotel in Westport, was crowned 2011 Euro-toques Young Chef of the Year. Originally, from Poland, Kamil completed an Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery in 2011 while also working in Knockranny House Hotel in Co. Mayo.
- **Julia wins gold and it's all thanks to Snow White**
Three culinary arts students won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals, respectively, at the 2012 IFEX ChefSkills national competition. BA Culinary Arts student and Julia Babikova won a gold medal for her "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" novelty cake.

- Brian Dermody, a second year student on the Higher Certificate in Culinary Arts programme, won a silver medal in the Ethnic International Competition. And Mihai Schirliu, a first year student on the Higher Certificate in Culinary Arts programme, and a trainee chef working in the Twelve's West Restaurant, Galway, won a bronze medal for his fish dish.

GMIT were invited to showcase students' work at the 2012 Global Village from June to July.

A multi-disciplinary working group of staff from all campuses curated a selection of the best examples of student work from areas such as Art & Design, Furniture Design & Technology, Film & TV, Engineering, Hotel, Computing, Science, Maths, Business, Nursing & Health Sciences and Outdoor Education. "The working group's vision was to create a dynamic platform in the heart of the Global Village while the eyes of the world were focused on Galway," explains Marian McEnroy, lecturer at the GMIT Centre for Creative Arts & Media and chair of the Working Group.



Sa phictiúr tá Julia Babikova lena cáca nuagach 'Plúirín Sneachta agus an Seachtar Abhac'.



Sráidbháile Domhanda 2012

2012 Global Village

Campas Chaisleán an Bharraigh

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- D'fhoilsigh an Dr Seán Lysaght, Léachtóir i Staidéar Oidhreachta, insint véarsaíochta d'fhad leabhair, ar shaol agus ghníomhréim Edmund Spenser (1552-1598), an file de chuid na hAthbheochana a chaith formhór a shaoil ghairmiúil in Éirinn.
 - Chuir John Scahill agus Anne Wiseman, léachtóirí, críoch leis an Teasta PG i dTeagasc agus Foghlaim Ardoideachais in NUIG.
 - Chuir Maria Daley, léachtóir le teangacha, a cuid obair ealaíne ar taispeáint in éineacht le triúr ealaíontóirí eile i dtaispeántas dar teideal *"Framed"*. Bhí an taispeántas ar siúl in Óstán Clew Bay, Cathair na Mart, ó Shamhain go Nollaig 2011.
 - Scríobh Yvonne McDermott, léachtóir, caibidil dar teideal *'Turlough Placenames: Reflections of the Archaeological Landscape'* do leabhar dar teideal *Parke and Turlough: Yesterday and Today, 1911-2011*. Sheol An Taoiseach Enda Kenny an leabhar (agus scríobh an réamhrá dó) i bPáirc i Samhain.
 - Chuir Egbert Polski, léachtóir, Dioplóma i Margáiocht Ar Líne agus Margáiocht Dhigiteach i gcrích leis an Digital Marketing Institute.
 - Ghnóthaigh Caroline Clarke, léachtóir le Cuntasáiocht, céim Máistir i mBainistíocht Airgeadais leis an IPA.
 - Chuir na Duaiseanna Nuálaíocha Neacha Léinn a d'eagraigh IiBC Chaisleán an Bharraigh smaointe nuálacha isteach le dul san iomaíocht i gcráobh 2011/12. Roghnaíodh 13 dhuine le bheith san iomaíocht in imeacht de chineál Dragon's Den i bhFeabhra 2012. Bronnadh duaiseanna agus fuair an buaiteoir 1,000 euro a bhí urraithe ag Shell.

Castlebar Campus

- Dr Seán Lysaght, lecturer in Heritage, published a book-length verse narrative on the life and career of Edmund Spenser (1552-1598), the English Renaissance poet who spent most of his professional career in Ireland.
- John Scahill and Anne Wiseman, lecturers, completed and passed the PG Cert in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education in NUIG.
- Maria Daley, languages lecturer, exhibited her artwork alongside three other local artists in an exhibition titled *"Framed"*. The exhibition took place at the Clew Bay Hotel, Westport, from November to December 2011.
- Yvonne McDermott, lecturer, contributed a chapter entitled *'Turlough Placenames: Reflections of the Archaeological Landscape'* to a book entitled *Parke and Turlough: Yesterday and Today, 1911-2011*. The book was launched by An Taoiseach Enda Kenny (who wrote the foreword for the book) in Parke in November.
- Egbert Polski, lecturer, completed a Diploma in Online and Digital Marketing with the Digital Marketing Institute.
- Caroline Clarke, lecturer in Accounting, achieved a Masters in Financial Management with the IPA.
- The Student Innovation Awards, organised by the IiBC Castlebar, submitted innovative ideas to compete for the 2011/12 final. 13 people were chosen to compete in a Dragon's Den type of event in February 2012. There were prizes awarded, and the winner received 1,000 euro sponsored by Shell.

- Atoghadh Kevin O'Callaghan, léachtóir, mar Chathaoirleach ar an Aonad Traenála & Forbartha de chuid Canoeing Ireland agus beidh sé i dteideal dá bharr sin suíochán a ghlacadh ar Bhord Canoeing Ireland an Bord Náisiúnta Rialaithe de chuid Paddlesports in Éirinn.
- Bronnadh Oifigeach Páirtaimseartha Náisiúnta na Blíana ar Verity Spencer, Leas-Uachtarán agus Oifigeach Leasa Champas Chaisleán an Bharraigh d'Aontas na Neach Léinn ag Comhdháil ANLÉ 2012. Ghnóthaigh Aontais na Neach Léinn i gCaisleán an Bharraigh agus Gaillimh le chéile an Toscaireacht Mheánach ab Fhearr freisin ag Comhdháil 2012 d'ANLÉ.
- Bhí baint ag an tSeirbhís Chomhairleoireachta, in éineacht le hAontas na Neach Léinn de chuid GMIT Chaisleán an Bharraigh le feasacht a mhéadú ar an bhfeachtas náisiúnta 'Walk In My Shoes'.
- Rinne neacha léinn de chuid an cheathrú bliain i gclár na céime i Staidéar Oidhreachta coimeád i mBealtaine ar thaispeántas de leabhair ársa agus ábhar priontálte eile ag Leabharlann Contae Chaisleán an Bharraigh, 'From Kells to Kindle: Materials and Techniques in Book Production through the Ages,' a thaispeán leabhair as bailiúchán Lysaght. Is leabharlann phríobháideach í sin a thionsaigh Paddy Lysaght, nach maireann, as Luimneach agus a mhac an Dr Seán Lysaght, léachtóir i Staidéar Oidhreachta, GMIT

Leitir Fraic

- Ghnóthaigh an neach léinn BSc (Onór) i nDearadh agus Déantús Troscáin, Jens Kosak (ar dheis), Duais Dearaidh an Wood Marketing Federation i Meitheamh 2011.
- Dóstáigh GMIT Leitir Fraic Comhdháil Oideachais i Leitir Fraic i mí na Nollag a rinne iniúchadh ar réimse measúnaithe ábhar iarbhunscolaíochta atá bunaithe ar an teicneolaíocht.
- Ghnóthaigh an céimí de chuid Leitir Fraic, John Lee, tairiscint ó Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí chun Cathaoir Insealbhaithe a dhearadh agus a dhéanamh d'Uachtaráin na hÉireann, Micheál D Ó hUiginn. Rinneadh an t-insealbhú i mí na Samhna i gCaisleán Bhaile Átha Cliath.



Jens Kosak

- Kevin O'Callaghan, lecturer, was re-elected as the Chair of the Training & Development Unit of Canoeing Ireland, which entitled him to a seat on the Board of Canoeing Ireland - the National Governing Body of paddlesports in Ireland.
- Castlebar Campus SU Vice-President and Welfare Officer, Verity Spencer, was awarded the National Part-time Officer of the Year at USI Congress 2012. GMIT Castlebar and Galway Student Unions combined won Best Medium Delegation also at USI Congress 2012.
- The Counselling Service, along with the SU at GMIT Castlebar, were involved in raising awareness for the national 'Walk In My Shoes' campaign.
- Fourth Year students on the Heritage Studies degree programme curated an exhibition in May of antiquarian books and other printed material at Castlebar County Library. The exhibition, 'From Kells to Kindle: Materials and Techniques in Book Production through the Ages,' featured books from the Lysaght collection, a private library amassed by the late Paddy Lysaght of Limerick and his son Dr Seán Lysaght, lecturer in Heritage Studies, GMIT.

Letterfrack

- BSc (Hons) in Furniture Design and Manufacture student Jens Kosak (left) won the Wood Marketing Federation Design Award in June 2011.
- GMIT Letterfrack hosted an Education Conference in Letterfrack in December examining the area of assessment of post-primary technology-based subjects.
- Letterfrack graduate, John Lee, won a tender from the OPW to design and make the new Inauguration Chair for the President of Ireland (Mr. Michael D Higgins). The inauguration took place in November in Dublin Castle.

Forbairt Foirne

- Agus ionadaíocht á déanamh acu do gach campas, bronnadh Teastas i dTeicneolaíocht Fheabhsaithe Teagaisc agus Foghlama ar 15 bhall foirne de chuid GMIT ag ócaid i gcampas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath. Chuir an Dámhachtain Shainchuspóireach (10 gcreidmheas) raon teicneolaíochtaí foghlama in iúl do na ranpnpháirtithe agus thug deis dóibh smaoineamh ar conas a d'fhéadfaidís úsáid eifeachtach a bhaint as teicneolaíochtaí dá leithéid chun feabhas a chur ar a dtéagasc.

Ba iad na baill foirne a fuair teastais ná:

- Siobhaun Cawley
- Sadie Davoren
- Aurora Dimache
- Kate Dunne
- Tom Edwards
- Wayne Gibbons
- Sheila A. McHugh
- Mary Nestor
- Kevin O'Callaghan
- Mary O'Donnell
- Una Quigley
- Mary Rogers
- Niamh Ward
- Maria Conboy
- Emer Maughan

- Ciste Straitéiseach Nuálaíochta GMIT (SIFII), Foghlaim Neach Léinn-Treoraithe agus Tionscadail Athleasaithe Curaclaim Bhí an teideal Clár Ceannaireachta Neacha Léinn ar Chiste Straitéiseach Nuálaíochta GMIT (SIFII) agus chuimsigh sé dhá shnáithe: '*Foghlaim Neach Léinn-Treoraithe*' agus '*Athleasú Curaclaim*', ina raibh AIT agus NUIG ina gcomhpháirtithe faoi seach. Bhí mar aidhm ag an gClár cálíocht na foghlama, an teagaisc, agus athleasú churaclaim a fheabhsú and curriculum in GMIT agus in institiúidí comhpháirtíochta trí ranpnpháirtíocht na neach léinn agus na foirne. Bhí mar aidhm aige go mór mór eispéaras na chéad bhliana a fheabhsú trí chlár foghlama piara-chuidithe a dhearadh agus a sheachadadh, agus modólúchan agus athleasú curaclaim cúrsáí a chur chun cinn, le breis fócais ar chomhtháthú scileanna cineálacha agus torthaí foghlama.

Ar an iomlán chuir sé raon deiseanna ar fáil do ranpnpháirtíocht neach léinn agus ball foirne agus spreag an t-athrú, go háirithe maidir le conas tabhairt faoi dhearadh agus cur i ngníomh clár agus tacú le neacha léinn agus baill foirne ina gcuid foghlama.

Staff Development

- 15 GMIT staff members, representing each campus, were presented with a Certificate in Technology Enhanced Teaching and Learning at an event in the Dublin Road campus. This Level 9 Special Purpose Award (10 credits) introduced participants to a range of technologies for learning and provided them with an opportunity to consider how they could make effective use of such technologies to enhance their teaching.

The staff members presented with certificates were:

- Siobhaun Cawley
- Sadie Davoren
- Aurora Dimache
- Kate Dunne
- Tom Edwards
- Wayne Gibbons
- Sheila A. McHugh
- Mary Nestor
- Kevin O'Callaghan
- Mary O'Donnell
- Una Quigley
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- Maria Conboy
- Emer Maughan

- **GMIT Strategic Innovation Fund (SIFII) Student-Led Learning and Curriculum Reform Projects**

The GMIT Strategic Innovation Fund (SIFII), project was titled the Student Leadership Programme and it comprised two strands: '*Student-Led Learning*' and '*Curriculum Reform*', in which AIT and NUIG were partners respectively. The Programme sought to enhance the quality of learning, teaching, and curriculum reform in GMIT and partner institutions through the engagement of students and staff. In particular it sought to enhance the first-year experience through the design and delivery of a peer-assisted learning programme, and to advance the modularisation and curriculum reform of courses, with increased focus on the integration of generic skills and learning outcomes.

Overall it provided a range of opportunities for student and staff engagement and has informed change particularly in how to approach design and implementation of programmes and to support students and staff in their learning.

San áireamh i spriocanna an tionscadail bhí;

- i. Tacaíonn le heispéaras na chéad bhliana trí ‘chlár foghlama piara-chuidithe’ a fhorbairt agus a chur i bhfeidhm agus modúl forbartha scileanna staidéir dar teideal ‘foghlaim conas foghlaim’.
- ii. Cláir agus modúil nua a dhearradh a thugann cuid mhaith smachta don neach léinn ar a gcuid foghlama agus cinnteoireachta san Institiúid agus ar a córais chálíochta.
- iii. Forbraíonn scileanna inaistrithe, a chomhlánaíonn scileanna teicniúla trí modhanna foghlama malartacha a chreidiúnú.
- iv. Cuireann feabhas ar mhodheolaíochtaí measúnaithe a bhfuil nasc acu le torthaí foghlama.
- v. Cuireann deiseanna ar fáil chun scileanna teagaisc a fheabhsú
- vi. Cur i bhfeidhm leanúnach agus ionlán an mhúnlá mhodúlaigh i gcomhthéacs an NQF agus athleasú curaclaim.
- vii. Forbairt leanúnach na foghlama cumasctha chun solúbthacht a uasmhéadú, go mór mór don neach léinn obair-bhunaithe.
- viii. Bhunaigh lárchóras bainistíochta modúil acadúil a imríonn tionchar ar conas a bhainistíonn an Institiúid cláir atá ann cheana féin chomh maith le cláir nua.
- ix. Caidreamh feabhsaithe oibre leis na compháirtithe AIT agus NUIG agus coláistí tríú leibhéal ar fud na tíre.

Aschuir;

- Clár eispéaras céad bhliana a dhearradh agus a sheachadadh ar a n-áirítear clár foghlama piara-chuidithe (PAL) (www.gmit.ie/pass) a thugtar do neacha léinn na chéad bhliana i ngach disciplín in GMIT agus cláir roghnaithe in AIT.
- Oiliúint PAL tugtha don fhoireann in GMIT agus AIT.
- Modúl Ceannaireachta PAL (5 ECTS) a dhearradh agus Iris Ceannaire PAL chun tacú le seachadadh measúnaithe
- Lámhleabhar Oiliúna Ceannaireachta PAL a fhorbairt agus Cártáí Teicníce Straitéis Ceannaireachta PAL don Seomra Ranga.
- Clár Oiliúna Ceannaireachta PAL dhá lá a dhearradh atá dírithe ar neacha léinn sna blianta sinsearacha.
- Raon Ceardlanna agus Seimineár Teagaisc, Foghlama agus Measúnaithe Foirne a eagrú agus a óstú in GMIT, AIT agus NUIG.
- Modúl an Lónra Nuálaíochta Foghlama (LIN) a eagrú agus a chur i bhfeidhm in GMIT chun tacú le forbairt foirne le dearadh curaclaim agus rannpháirtiocht an neacha léinn (www.lin.ie).

The project objectives included:

- i. Supported the first year experience through the development and rollout of a ‘peer assisted learning programme’ and study skills development module titled ‘learning to learn’.
- ii. Designed new programmes and modules which gives the students substantial influence on their learning, decision-making in the Institute and its quality systems.
- iii. Developed transferable skills, which complement technical skills by accrediting alternative modes of learning.
- iv. Improved the range of assessment methodologies linked to learning outcomes.
- v. Provided opportunities to enhance teaching skills.
- vi. The Continued and full implementation of the modular model in the context of the NQF and curriculum reform.
- vii. Ongoing development of blended learning to maximise flexibility, especially for the work-based student.
- viii. Established a central academic module manager system, which impacted how the Institute manages existing and new programmes.
- ix. Enhanced a working relationship with partners AIT and NUIG and other third level colleges nationwide.

Outputs:

- Design and delivery of a first year experience programme including: a peer-assisted learning (PAL) programme (www.gmit.ie/pass) delivered to first year students across all major disciplines in GMIT and AIT, a ‘Learning to Learn’ module for all first-year students in GMIT and selected programmes in AIT.
- Delivery of PAL training to staff in GMIT and AIT.
- Design of a PAL Leadership Module (5 ECTS), and of a PAL Leader Journal to support assessment delivery.
- Development of a PAL leadership training manual and DVD, and of PAL Leader Classroom Strategy Technique Cards.
- Design of a two-day PAL Leadership Training Programme aimed at senior year students.
- Organisation and hosting of a range of Teaching, Learning and Assessment Staff Development Workshops and Seminars in GMIT, AIT and NUIG.
- Organisation and rollout of the Learning Innovation Network (LIN) modules in GMIT to support staff development with curriculum design and student engagement (www.lin.ie).

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- Staidéar trí bliana gnímh ar an gclár Pal déanta in GMIT agus AIT.
 - Páipéir chomhdhála idirnáisiúnta agus náisiúnta seachadta ar an gclár PAL, eispéaras na chéad bhliana agus rannpháirtíocht an neacha léinn san Ardoideachas.
 - Suirbhé Pleanála Foghlama, Teagaisc agus Measúnaithe curtha i gcrích in NUIG, GMIT agus AIT, agus indearcaí comhroinnt.
 - Suirbhé ar Eispéaras Foghlama an Neacha Léinn in GMIT curtha i bhfeidhm (bunaithe ar NSSE) a chuidigh le tuarascálacha Athbhreithnithe Institiúideacha.
 - Straitéis Foghlama, Teagaisc & Measúnaithe 2010-2015 forbartha do GMIT.
 - ‘Modúl Rannpháirtíochta sa Phobal’ ildisciplíneach á dhearadh agus á sheachadadh i gcomhar le NUIG, CKI (5 ECTS) in GMIT (féach <http://www.campusengage.ie/download/file/1359/>).
 - Foireann uirlísí Foghlama Rannpháirtíochta Pobail á dhearadh, a chuimsíonn ábhair cheardlainne agus teagaisc i gcleachtas seirbhise-foghlama
 - Clár Oiliúna Ionadáí Neacha Léinn a dhearadh agus a sheachadadh in GMIT.
 - Sealbhú bogearraí Bainistíochta Modúil trí chuibhreannas d’IAO (GMIT, ITS, LIT agus AIT).
 - Láithreán gréasán faisnéise ar Aitheantas ar Réamh-Fhoghlaim (RPL) a dhearadh agus a fhorbairt www.myexperience.ie agus saoráid agus treoirleabhar feidhmiúil ar líne.
 - Oiliúint foirne a chur ar fáil ar fhorbairt cláir ar líne.
 - Comhdháil oideachais á hóstú ag GMIT (27 Samhain 2010): ‘Perspectives on a Moving Target: Is Change the New Constant in Higher Education?’ (féach www.gmitconference.ie).
 - Comhdháil oideachais á hóstú ag NUIG, CELT i réimse na cruthaitheachta sa teagasc agus foghlama agus athleasaithe curaclaim (www.nuig.ie/celt).
 - Réimse tiomanta Próiseas Bologna forbartha ag NUIG ar an láithreán gréasán (féach http://www.nuigalway.ie/celt/teaching_and_learning/bologna.html).
 - Seomráí ranga in GMIT atchóirithe (le teicneolaíocht chláir chliste agus córas webinar) agus infheistíocht i dtéicneolaíocht in uirlísí foghlama feabhsaithe (amhail *Clickers*, *Bloggies*) chun rannpháirtíocht an neacha léinn a fheabhsú.
 - Córás ceaptha léachta a shocrú suas agus úsáid á baint as teicneolaíocht *Vidyo* le foghlaim ar líne a chumasú thar campais agus réigiún agus rochtain le meánscoileanna a fhorbairt ar an raon eispéaras foghlama (www.gmit.ie/slo).

- Three-year action research study on PAL programme undertaken in GMIT and AIT.
- Delivery of national and international conference papers on the PAL programme, the first year experience and student engagement with Higher Education.
- Rollout of a Learning, Teaching & Assessment Planning Survey in NUIG, GMIT and AIT and shared insights.
- Development and rollout out a Student Learning Experience Survey in GMIT (based on NSSE) which informed Institutional Review reports.
- Development of Learning, Teaching & Assessment Strategy 2010-2015 for GMIT.
- Design and delivery of multidisciplinary ‘Civic Engagement’ module (5 ECTS) in GMIT through collaborations with NUIG, CKI (see <http://www.campusengage.ie/download/file/1359/>).
- Design of a Civic Engagement Learning Toolkit, comprising workshop and tutorial materials in service-learning practice.
- Design and delivery of a Student Representative Training programme in GMIT.
- Acquisition of Module Manager software by a consortium of HEIs (GMIT, ITS, LIT and AIT).
- Design and development of a Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) information website www.myexperience.ie and online application facility and guidebook.
- Provision of staff training in online programme development.
- Hosting by GMIT of an education conference (27th November 2010): ‘Perspectives on a Moving Target: Is Change the New Constant in Higher Education?’ (see www.gmitconference.ie).
- Hosting of Higher Education conferences by NUIG, CELT in the area of creativity in teaching and learning and curriculum reform (www.nuig.ie/celt).
- Development by NUIG of a dedicated Bologna Process area on the CELT website (see http://www.nuigalway.ie/celt/teaching_and_learning/bologna.html).
- Refurbishment of classrooms in GMIT (with Smartboard technology, and a webinar system) and investment in technology enhanced learning tools (such as *Clickers*, *Bloggies*) to improve student engagement.
- Set up of a lecture capture system utilising *Vidyo* technology to enable online learning across campuses and the region and to develop access with secondary schools on the range of learning experiences (www.gmit.ie/slo).

Torthaí:

- Breis comhoibrithe idir institiúidí ardoideachais thar an earnáil.
- Feabhas ar theagasc, foghlaim agus measúnú in GMIT, AIT agus NUIG.
- Tá an clár eispéaras chéad bhliana leabaithe in GMIT agus is cuid é de phunann Seirbhísí Institiúide don Neach Léinn agus tacaíocht aige ó chomhordaitheoir acadúil na hInstitiúide.
- An clár PAL curtha i ngníomh i Scoil Ghnó NUIG, Scoil na hEolaíochta IT Shligigh agus IADT.
- Cur i ngníomh Phróiseas Bologna tugtha ar aghaidh, agus breis fócais ar thorthaí foghlama agus measúnaithe mar thoradh ar athleasú curaclaim in NUIG agus GMIT.
- Breis éifeachtacha agus cumas breise trí acmhainní a chomhroinnt.
- Oiliúint agus forbairt fheabhsaithe in GMIT agus in institiúidí compháirtíocha.
- D'fhorbair aschuir thionscadal SIF II cultúr nua foghlama agus forbartha in GMIT agus leag an bhunchloch chun Láirionad GMIT don Fhorbairt Oideachasúil (<http://ced.gmit.ie/>) a fhorbairt.
- Forbairt Polasaí Coinneála Institiúide.
- Forbairt cultúr Rannpháirtíochta sa Phobal agus Foghlama seirbhíse i measc lucht foirne agus neacha léinn in Innealtóireacht, Ealaíona Cócaireachta agus Gnó.
- Feabhsú eispéaras foghlama na neach léinn trí chílfíocht fheabhsaithe teagaisc, athleasaithe curaclaim, agus úsáid teicneolaíochtaí foghlama.
- Breis comhoibrithe le hAontas na Neach Léinn ar raon de thionscnaimh neach léinn-treoraithe.
- I ngéall ar aschuir thionscadal RPL, tharla breis comhoibrithe le compháirtíochtaí AO sa Chomhaontas Chonnacht-Uladh (GMIT, IT Shligigh agus LYIT) chun an uirlis measúnaithe ar líne, láithreán gréasáin agus pleannanna forbartha oiliúna foirne a chur chun cinn
- Tar éis chur i gcrích an tionscadal SIFII, a threoraigh GMIT, thug an Dr Carina Ginty faoi staidéar taighde oideachais in NUIG dar teideal *Supporting the first year experience in Higher Education; impact on student engagement, academic practice and institutional policy*. Déanann an staidéar seo iniúchadh ar thionchar thionscnaimh FYE (aschuir maoinithe ag SIF) a úsáidtear in Institiúid Teicneolaíochta (GMIT) agus Ollscoil in Éirinn (NUIG), go háirithe ar conas a imríonn ranpháirtíocht i dtionchar thionscnaimh eispéaras na chéad bhliana tionchar a imirt ar athruithe I gcleachtas acadúil; agus conas a théann tionscnaimh eispéaras na chead bhliana I gcion ar athrú institiuideach.

Outcomes:

- Increased collaboration between higher education institutes across the sector.
- Enhancement of teaching, learning and assessment in GMIT, AIT, and NUIG.
- The first year experience programme is embedded in GMIT and forms part of the Institute Student Services portfolio and is supported by an institute academic coordinator.
- Roll-out of the PAL programme in NUIG School of Business, IT Sligo School of Science and IADT.
- Advancement of implementation of the Bologna Process, with curriculum reform leading to enhanced focus on learning outcomes and assessment in NUIG and GMIT.
- Increased efficiency and additional capacity through pooling of resources.
- Enhanced academic training and development in GMIT and partner institutes.
- SIF II project outputs developed a new teaching and learning development culture in GMIT and laid the foundation for the development of GMIT Centre for Educational Development (<http://ced.gmit.ie/>).
- Development of an Institute Retention Policy.
- Development of a Civic Engagement and Service Learning culture among staff and students in Engineering, Culinary Arts and Business.
- Enhancement of student learning experience through teaching quality enhancement, curriculum reform, and use of learning technologies.
- Increased collaboration with the Students Union on a range of student-led learning initiatives.
- RPL project outputs have resulted in further collaboration with HEI partners in Connacht Ulster Alliance (GMIT, IT Sligo and LYIT) to further progress the online assessment tool, website and staff training development plans.
- Following completion of the SIFII GMIT led project, Dr. Carina Ginty undertook an education research study in NUIG titled *Supporting the first year experience in Higher Education; impact on student engagement, academic practice and institutional policy*. This study explores the impact of FYE initiatives (SIF funded outputs) deployed in an Institute of Technology (GMIT) and a University in Ireland (NUIG). Particularly how engagement with the first year experience initiatives impacts on the student experience with Higher Education; how involvement in the first year experience initiatives influences changes in academic practice; and how the first year experience initiatives informs institutional change.

D'imir cur chuige neach léinnláraithe na foirne tionscadail agus a rannpháirtíocht leanúnach i scothchleachtas i dtionscnaimh teagaisc agus foghlama tionchar ar fhorbairt thráthúil gach aschur de chuid an tionscadal SIF II. D'imir an tacaíocht a thug na neacha léinn, uachtaráin, cláraitheoirí, lucht acadúil, seirbhísí neach léinn, seirbhísí ríomhaire agus Aontas na Neach Léinn ról ríthábhachtach sa rath a baineadh amach.

Leabharlann

R-leabhair

Cheannaigh an leabharlann an bailiúchán leabhar acadúil ó Ebrary in Eanáir 2011, a bhfuil ann 50,000 r-leabhar a chuimsionn gach disciplín agus a thugann cianrochtain chomhuaineach ar bonn 24/7. Léiríonn na staitisticí seo a leanas an ráta úsáide trí lón na n-uaireanta a bhreathnaítear, a úsáidtear, a phriontáltar cáipéis chomh maith leis na seisiúin úsáideora:

Bliain	2012
Ean	22102
Feabh	22718
Mar	19518
Aib	19283
Beal	11443
Meith	4924
Iúil	3098
Lún	4219

The student centred approach of the project team and their continuous engagement with best practice in teaching and learning initiatives has impacted on the timely development of all SIF II project outputs. Support from the students, presidents, registrars, academics, student services, computer services and the students union has also played a vital role in achieving the project successes.

Library

E-books

The Library purchased the academic collection of e-books from Ebrary in January 2011 consisting of 50,000 e-books covering all disciplines offering remote simultaneous access on a 24/7 basis. The following statistics illustrates the rate of usage by the number of times a document is viewed, accessed, printed as well as the user sessions:

Year	2012
Jan	22102
Feb	22718
Mar	19518
April	19283
May	11443
June	4924
July	3098
Aug	4219

Single title E-Books

In April 2012 the library commenced the purchase of single title e-books in preference to print books if available. By August 2012 the library had purchased 6 e-books in perpetuity from MyiLibrary and 27 e-books from DawsonEra. The following statistics illustrates the level of usage regarding the library's two suppliers: MyiLibrary and DawsonEra.

Supplier	Year	April	May	June	July	Aug
MyiLibrary	2012		7	51	46	0
DawsonEra	2012	1	6	21	24	2

R-leabhair Aon-Teideal

In Aibreán 2012, chuir an leabharlann túis le r-leabhair aon-teideal a cheannach de rogha ar leabhair phriontaílte nuair a bhí siad ar fáil. Faoi Lúnasa 2012, bhí 6 r-leabhar ceannaithe go deo ag an leabharlann ó MyiLibrary agus 27 r-leabhar ó DawsonEra. Léiríonn na staitisticí seo a leanas leibhéal na húsáide maidir le dhá sholáthraí na leabharlainne: MyiLibrary agus DawsonEra.

Soláthraí	Bliain	Aib	Beal	Meith	Iúil	Lún
MyiLibrary	2012		7	51	46	0
DawsonEra	2012	1	6	21	24	2

Seisiúin Bunachair

Ba é lón na seisiún bunachair do Meán Fómhair 2011 – Lún 2012 na 202,714.

Leabhair Phriontaílte

Ba é an lón leabhar ionlán a seiceáladh amach do na ceithre champas do Mheán Fómhair 2011 – Lúnasa 2012 ná 72,275.

Database Sessions

The number of database sessions for Sept 2011 – Aug 2012 were 202,714.

Print Books

The combined total checkout of print books for all four campus libraries for September 2011 – August 2012 was 72,275.

Polasaí maidir le leabhair dlite thar téarma

Mar bheart sábhála costais agus lena chinntíú go dtabharfar gach leabharar ais go dtí an leabharlann roimh dheireadh na bliana acadúla, socraíodh polasaí nua maidir le leabhair dlite thar téarma. Tugadh spriocdháta faoina gcaithfeadh gach leabhar ar a gcuntas a bheith tugtha ar ais agus ina dhiadh sin go gcuirfí bac ar a gcuntas a choiscfeadh teacht ar a dtorthaí ar líne. Ní ligfí do neacha léinn a gcéim a fháil má bhí leabhair fós ar a gcuntas. Cuireadh tionscnamh forleathan cumarsáide ar siúl sé mhí roimh ré ó Eanáir 2012 leis an bpolasaí nua seo a chur ar a síle do na neacha léinn go léir. D'éisigh go maith leis agus cinntíonn sé go gcuirfear maoin na leabharlainne ar ais nó go n-iocfar aisti sula bhfaigheann na neacha léinn a gcéim ó GMIT.

Leabharlann Chluain Mhuire

Suiteáladh saoráidí nua prioritála i Leabharlann Chluain Mhuire in 2011 chun an tseirbhís a fheabsú do na húsáideoirí. Suiteáladh printéir nua dubh agus bán agus printéir datha lena chinntíú go bhfaighidh na neacha léinn i gCluain Mhuire an leibhéal céanna seirbhíse leis an leabharlann ar champus Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath.

Bronntanais

Bhronn an Dr Elizabeth Gosling a tráchtas DSc in dhá imleabhar ar an leabharlann tar éis di an chéim Dochtúireacht in Eolaíocht a fháil ó Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann.

Ceantar Ciúin

De bhrí go ndéanann úsáideoirí gearán go minic faoi leibhéal an torainn sa leabharlann, cuireadh cuid den leabharlann ar an gcéad urlár ar leataobh mar cheantar ciúin. Is ceantar féinsmactaithe é nach gceadaítear caint ann agus ina gcaithfidh gach fón a bheith socraithe ag ciúin. Tá polasaí i bhfeidhm gan glacadh ar bith a bheith le húsáid fón póca maidir le glaonna a fháil agus a ghlacadh. Ceadaítear téacsáil ach ní mór na fón a bheith socraithe ag ciúin.

Leabharlann Uí Mhórdha Champas Chaisleán an Bharraigh

D'oscaill Leabharlann Uí Mhórdha seomra grúpstaidéir i mí an Mhárta 2012 do neacha léinn, agus déanann sé cúis freisin mar sheomra oiliúna le haghaidh Oiliúna Scileanna Faisnéise do na neacha léinn.

Le linn samhradh na bliana 2012, chuir Leabharlann Uí Mhórdha an córas Pcounter i bhfeidhm le haghaidh prioritála agus fótachóipeála chun an tseirbhís a thabhairt ar chomhchéim le campais na Gaillimhe agus chun an leibhéal céanna seirbhíse a chinntíú do na neacha léinn i ngach leabharlann.

Overdue books policy

As a cost saving measure and to ensure all books were returned to the library before the end of the academic year, it was decided to introduce a new overdue books policy. Students were given a deadline by which all books on their accounts had to be returned after which a block would be placed on their accounts blocking access to their online results. Students graduating would also be prevented from doing so if books still remained on their accounts. An extensive communications initiative was put in place six months in advance from January 2012 to alert all students to this new policy. It has proven to be a success and ensures all library property is either returned or paid for before students graduate from GMIT.

Cluain Mhuire Library

New printing facilities were installed in Cluain Mhuire Library in 2011 to enhance the service to users. A new black and white printer and colour printer were installed to ensure students in Cluain Mhuire enjoy the same level of service as the library in the Dublin road campus.

Donations

Dr Elizabeth Gosling donated her DSc thesis in two volumes to the library having been awarded the degree of Doctorate of Science (DSc) from the National University of Ireland.

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Silent Zone

As users frequently complain about noise levels in the library, a section of the library on the first floor was cordoned off as a silent zone area. It is a self-policing area where talking, and headphones are not permitted and all phones must be set to silent. The library also implemented a policy of zero tolerance of mobile phone usage as regards the making and receiving of calls. Texting is permitted and phones must be set to silent.

Moore Library Castlebar Campus

March 2012, the Moore Library opened a group study room for students that also doubles up as a training room for Information Skills training for students.

During the summer of 2012, the Moore Library implemented the Pcounter system for printing and photocopying to bring the service into line with the Galway campuses and to ensure the same level of service for students in all libraries.

Timpeallacht an Neacha Léinn 4.2

Bhí ceithre sprioc agus sé phríomhstraitéis déag ag an bPiléar Timpeallacht an Neacha Léinn. Ba í a straitéis uileghabhálach ná leanúint de thimpeallacht thacúil a fheabhsú do na neacha léinn trí sheirbhísí a forbairt, bonneagar a fheabhsú agus deiseanna foghlama níos solúbtha a chur ar fail.

Ba iad na ceithre sprioc a bhí ag an bPiléar Timpeallacht an Neacha Léinn ná:

1. Modhanna malartacha do sheachadadh cláir a iniúchadh.
2. Córás agus struchtúir a forbairt agus a chur i bhfeidhm a thugann aghaidh ar ionmláine eispéaras an neacha léinn.
3. Struchtúir shóisialta a forbairt a thacaíonn le heispéaras an neacha léinn.
4. An bonneagar a fheabhsú chun tacú le foghlaim d'ardcháilíocht agus timpeallacht inbhuaíne.

Ar na príomhrudaí a baineadh amach faoin bpiléar seo don bhlíain acadúil 2011/12 bhí:

Modhanna malartacha do sheachadadh cláir a iniúchadh

Príomhstraitéisí:

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1. Rochtaí ar acmhainní foghlama, tacaíochta agus faisnéise a fheabhsú agus úsáid á baint as teicneolaíochtaí nua.
2. Rochtaí oscailte ar an bhfoghlaim a chur chun cinn trí thionscnaimh fhoirmiúla rochtana, tionscnaimh gréasánbhunaithe agus foghlaim chumasctha.
3. Bainteacht na hInstitiúide sa Tionscnamh Náisiúnta Foghlama Solúbtha a uasmhéadú.
4. Raon clár oibre-staidéir nua a forbairt.

Córás agus struchtúir a forbairt agus a chur i bhfeidhm a thugann aghaidh ar ionmláine eispéaras an neacha léinn.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Acmhainní cuí a chur ar fáil don mhór-bhonneagar foghlama agus é a choinneáil, a bhfuil san áireamh ann *inter alia*: saoráidí leabharlainne, lárionad foghlama TF, ionaid teagaisc, saotharlanna agus rochtain ar ríomhaireacht.
2. Iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar indeantacht saoráidí, seirbhísí agus teicneolaíochta le hinstiúidí ardoideachais eile a chomhroinnt.

Struchtúir shóisialta a forbairt a thacaíonn le heispéaras an neacha léinn.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Cuidiú le forás clubanna agus cumainn

Student Environment 4.2

The Student Environment Pillar of the Strategic Plan had four objectives and sixteen key strategies. Its overarching strategy was to continue to enhance a supportive environment for students by developing services, improving infrastructure and providing more flexible learning opportunities.

The four objectives of the Student Environment Pillar were:

1. Explore alternative methods for programme delivery
2. Develop and implement systems and structures which address the totality of the student experience
3. Develop social structures which support the student experience
4. Enhance infrastructure to support a quality learning and sustainable environment.

Key achievements under this pillar for the 2011/2012 academic year includes:

Explore alternative methods for programme delivery.

Key Strategies:

1. Improve access to learning, support and information resources using new technologies.
2. Promote open access to learning, through formal access initiatives, web-based initiatives and blended learning.
3. Maximise involvement of Institute in National Flexible Learning Initiative.
4. Develop a new range of work-and-study programmes.

Develop and implement systems and structures which address the totality of the student experience.

Key Strategies:

1. Appropriately resource and maintain the wider learning infrastructure, which includes *inter alia*: library facilities, the IT learning centre, teaching venues, labs and computing access.
2. Explore feasibility of sharing facilities, services and technology with other higher educational institutions.

Develop social structures which support the student experience

Key Strategies:

1. Facilitate the growth of clubs and societies.

2. Deiseanna a chur ar fáil do bheis rannpháirtíochta sa phobal agus ceannaireacht neacha léinn
3. Leanúint de raon agus scóip na Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn a fhorbairt.

An bonneagar a fheabhsú chun tacú le foghlaim d'ardcháilíochta agus timpeallacht inbhuaine.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Foirgneamh na Neach Léinn a chríochnú.
2. Tionscadal tógála innealtóireachta na Comhpháirtiochta Poiblí – Príobhaidí a chur chun cinn.
3. Saoráidí Spóirt agus Áineasa a chur ar fáil/a fhorbairt.
4. Cur leis na saoráidí Goir Ghnó agus Taighde Fheidhmigh
5. Timpeallachtaí reatha foghlama a athchóiriú do raon modhanna foghlama.
6. Leanúint den bhonneagar ilchampais a fhorbairt
7. Inbhuanaitheacht timpeallachta an bhonneagair fhisiciúil a fheabhsú.

Scoláirí Acadúla GMIT 2011/12

Bhronn GMIT 18 scoláireacht arbh fhiú beagnach €56,000 iad an bhliain acadúil seo. Bronnadh scoláireachtaí acadúla ar naonúr neach léinn céad bhliana as marcanna arda a bhaint amach san Ardteistiméireacht in 2011. Fuair gach neach léinn seic ar €1,200 ag fáiltí u a bhí óstaithe ag an Institiúid do na neacha léinn, dá dteaghlaigh agus dá múinteoirí.

Bronnadh Scoláireachtaí Rochtana ar naonúr neach léinn céad bhliana don bhliain acadúil seo. Faigheann gach neach léinn €5,000 thar thréimhse an chláir a ndéanann siad staidéar air in GMIT.

Scoil	Ainm
Scoil Ghnó	Ogie Hollywood
Scoil na nDaonnachtaí	Ross Mennie
Scoil na nDaonnachtaí	Kalila Keane
Scoil Óstáin	Emer McDermott
Scoil Innealtóireachta	Diarmaid Reynolds
Scoil Eolaíochta	Aoife Wan
Campus Chaisleán an Bharraigh	Aisling Moran
Campus Leitir Fraic	Colm Folan
Scoláireacht Duine Lánfhásta	Ann Marie Curran

2. Provide opportunities for greater civic engagement and student leadership.
3. Continue to develop the range and scope of Student Services.

Enhance infrastructure to support a quality learning and sustainable environment.

Key Strategies:

1. Complete Student Building.
2. Progress the Public Private Partnership (PPP) engineering building project.
3. Provide / Develop Sports and Leisure Facilities.
4. Expand the Business Incubation and Applied Research facilities.
5. Adapt current learning environments for range of learning modes.
6. Continue to develop the multi-campus infrastructure.
7. Improve the environmental sustainability of the physical infrastructure.

GMIT Academic Scholars 2011/12

GMIT awarded 18 scholarships worth almost €56,000 this academic year. Nine first year students were awarded academic scholarships for achieving high marks in the Leaving Certificate in 2011. Each of the students received a cheque for €1,200 at a reception hosted by the Institute for the students, their families and teachers.

Access Scholarships were also awarded to nine First Year students for this academic year. Each student receives €5,000 over the duration of the programme they study in GMIT.

School	Name
School of Business	Ogie Hollywood
School of Humanities	Ross Mennie
School of Humanities	Kalila Keane
School of Hotel	Emer Mc Dermott
School of Engineering	Diarmaid Reynolds
School of Science	Aoife Wan
Castlebar Campus	Aisling Moran
Letterfrack Campus	Colm Folan
Mature Scholarship	Ann Marie Curran

Sa phictiúr thua斯 tá
faighteoíri Scoláreachtaí
Acadúla le hUachtarán
GMIT Michael Carmody,
c-d: Ann Marie Curran
(neach léinn lánfhasta),
Baile Locha Riach,
Aisling Moran, Cathair
na Mart, Aoife Wan,
Bóthar an Easpag ó
Dónaill, Colin Folan,
Bóthar a' Cheapaigh,
Michael Carmody, Emer
McDermott, Leacán,
Co Liatroma, Kalila
Keane, Béal an Átha,
agus Ogie Hollywood,
Móta, Co. na hIarmhí.
As láthair ón bpictiúr
tá Diarmuid Reynolds,
Cor an Dola agus Ross
Mennie, Creachmhaoil.



Pictured are recipients of the Academic Scholarships with GMIT President Michael Carmody, l-r: Ann Marie Curran (mature student), Loughea, Aisling Moran, Westport, Aoife Wan, Bishop O'Donnell Road, Colm Folan, Cappagh Road, Michael Carmody, Emer McDermott, Leckaun, Co Leitrim, Kalila Keane, Ballina, and Ogie Hollywood, Moate, Westmeath. Missing from the picture are Diarmuid Reynolds, Corrandulla and Ross Mennie, Craughwell.

Scoláreachtaí Spóirt agus Cultúir GMIT do 2011/12

Campas na Gaillimhe	
Spóirt/Cultúr	Ainm
Eitpheil	Deirdre McCaul
Cicdhoráláiocht	Eric Daly
Peil Ghaelach	Cian Donohoe
Peil Ghaelach	Fergal Durkan
Camogaíocht	Tara Kenny
Lúthchleasaíocht	Peadar Harvey
Peil na mBan	Emer McDermott
Iománaíocht	Shane Lawless

Campas Chaisleán an Bharraigh	
Spórt/Cultúr	Ainm
Iománaíocht	Chris Loughran
Iománaíocht	Feidhlim Dignan
Iománaíocht	Brian Howley
Peil Ghaelach na mBan	Lucy Foley
Peil Ghaelach na mBan	Siobhán Sorahan
Peil Ghaelach na mBan	Tracey Leonard
Sacar	Dan Purcell
Sacar	Mark Duffy
Cultúr	Deirdre O'Reilly

GMIT Sports and Cultural Scholarships for 2011/12

Galway Campus	
Sports /Cultural	Name
Volleyball	Deirdre McCaul
Kickboxing	Eric Daly
Gaelic Football	Cian Donohoe
Gaelic Football	Fergal Durkan
Camogie	Tara Kenny
Athletics	Peadar Harvey
Ladies Football	Emer McDermott
Hurling	Shane Lawless

Castlebar Campus	
Sports / Cultural	Name
Hurling	Chris Loughran
Hurling	Feidhlim Dignan
Hurling	Brian Howley
Ladies Gaelic Football	Lucy Foley
Ladies Gaelic Football	Siobhan Sorahan
Ladies Gaelic Football	Tracey Leonard
Soccer	Dan Purcell
Soccer	Mark Duffy
Cultural	Deirdre O'Reilly

Innealtóireacht

- Neacha léinn innealtóireachta i mbabhtaí ceannais chomórtas Sláinte & Sábháilteachta Cháiligh dhá fhoireann as Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta de chuid GMIT do na Babhtaí Ceannais den Chomórtas Náisiúnta Sláinte & Sábháilteachta an téarma seo caite. Bhí ar an dá fhoireann, ón gcéim (Onór) i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta agus ón gcéim i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta, déileáil le leagan ón bhfiorshaol do scenario a dtionscadail (ina raibh feithicil mhór tar éis bualadh faoi dhroichead bóthair) rud a tharla dáiríre go háitiúil: trucail ag bualadh faoi dhroichead an bhóthar iarainn ag Loch a'tSáile, I gCathair na Gaillimhe. Thug na neacha léinn cuairt go luath ar an láthair agus chonaic dóibh féin an phleanáil sláinte agus sábháilteachta a rinneadh chun an droichead a dheisiú.

Trí cháiliú don bhabhta ceannais fuair na neacha léinn, atá sa phictiúr thíos, duais dar luach €1,000 an fhoireann. Ba iad a dteagascóirí don chomórtas ná na léachtóirí Martin Taggart agus Jonathon Strnad.

- Bhronn Boston Scientific HPLCanna úrscothacha (trealamh ardsonraíochta cromatagrafaíochta) agus meáonna ar an Scoil tar éis dóibh atheagar a chur ar a gcuid eagrúcháin i nGaillimh.



Ar chúl c-d: Chris Loughran, Feidhlim Dignan, Dan Purcell, Mark Duffy, Brian Howley. Tosaigh c-d: Lucy Foley, Deirdre O'Reilly, Siobhán Sorahan, Tracey Leonard

Back l-r: Chris Loughran, Feidhlim Dignan, Dan Purcell, Mark Duffy, Brian Howley. Front l-r: Lucy Foley, Deirdre O'Reilly, Siobhán Sorahan, Tracey Leonard



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Engineering

- **Engineering students in Health & Safety competition Finals** Two teams from the GMIT Department of Building & Civil Engineering qualified for the National Health & Safety Competition Finals last term. Both teams, from the Construction Management (Hons) degree and the Architectural Technology degree, found themselves dealing with a real-life version of their project scenario (involving a large vehicle hitting a road bridge) as this actually transpired locally; a truck hitting the railway bridge at Lough Atalia Road, in Galway city. The students quickly visited the scene and witnessed at first hand the health and safety planning that took place to repair the bridge.

By qualifying for the final, the students pictured below secured a prize of €1,000 per team. They were tutored for the competition by lecturers Martin Taggart and Jonathon Strnad.

- Boston Scientific donated state-of-the-art HPLCs (high spec chromatography equipment) and balances to the School following re-organisation of their activities in Galway.

Eolaíocht

- Ghlac an Dr Simon Berrow páirt i gclár Autumnwatch de chuid an BBC go luath i mí na Samhna. Craoladh an clár ó BBC2 agus bhreathnaigh idir a 2 agus a 3 mhilliún air.

Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaín

- Dóstáigh an Cumann Oidhreachta an seoladh i nGaillimh de leabhar nua le Bernard O'Hara, *Killasser, Heritage of a Castlebar Parish*, ar 26 Deireadh Fómhair i bhforhalla an Café Rinne Peadar O'Dowd, iarléachtóir i nGní agus staráí cáiliúil Gaillimheach, an seoladh.

Campas Chaisleán an Bharraigh

- Chuidigh Jenny Parkes, neach léinn lánfhásta ar an Ardeastas i dTacaíocht Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise, le saol beirt deartháireacha le diostróife mhatánach a shaibhriú trí theicneolaíocht chumarsáide a úsáid.
- Rinne beirt Neach Léinn in Oideachas Allamuigh, Sinéad Kelly and Catherine Russell, freastal ar an 2ú Comhdháil Naisiúnta Ceannaire PAL ag Brighton i mí na Samhna. Ghnóthaigh ceannairí PAL GMIT an comórtas póstaír, agus fuair an bua ar 15 Ollscoil.
- Ghnóthaigh Michale Oviawe, Baitsiléir Gnó Blaín 2, agus Éamon Walsh, Ardeastas in Eolaíocht i dTeicneolaíochta GMP, Bonn Óir an duine ag na Comórtais Dornálaíochta IATBA Idiollscoileanna i bhFeabhra sa staidiam náisiúnta. Ghnóthaigh Michael an chraobh sa bhabhta ceannais trom-mheachain i gCaisleán an Bharraigh ar 12 Feabhra.
- Toghadh Brian Coffey, neach léinn sa dara bliain, ar an gCoiste Feidhmeannach de Chumann Peile na gColáistí in Éirinn ag an gCruinníú Cinnbhliana i Meán Fómhair 2011.
- Rinne Campas Glas GMIT Chaisleán an Bharraigh socrú cruinnithe rialta físchomhdhála a reáchtáil le Campas Glas DKIT d'fhoinn éiteas an Champais Ghais a nearútú sa dá IT.

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Science

- Dr Simon Berrow participated in the BBC's Autumnwatch programme during early November. The programme was broadcast on BBC2 and had a viewership of around 2 to 3 million.

College of Tourism and Arts

- The Heritage Society hosted the Galway launch of Bernard O'Hara's new book, *Killasser, Heritage of a Castlebar Parish*, on 26 October in the Café Foyer. The launch was performed by Peadar O'Dowd, former lecturer in Business and noted Galway historian.

Castlebar Campus

- Jenny Parkes, a mature student on the Higher Certificate in Information Technology Support, helped enrich the lives of twin brothers with Muscular Dystrophy through the use of communications technology.
- Two Outdoor Education Students, Sinead Kelly and Catherine Russell, attended the 2nd National PAL Leader Conference at the University of Brighton in November. GMIT PAL leaders won the poster competition, beating 15 Universities.
- Michale Oviawe, Bachelor of Business Year 2 student, and Eamon Walsh, Higher Certificate in Science in GMP Technology, both won gold Medals at the IATBA Boxing Intervarsities in February in the national stadium. Michael also won the heavyweight title in the Castlebar championships on 12 February.
- Brian Coffey, 2nd Yr student, was elected onto the Executive Committee of The Colleges Football Association of Ireland at the AGM in September 2011.
- GMIT Castlebar Green Campus committed to hold regular video conference meetings with DKIT Green Campus to strengthen the Green Campus ethos in both IoTs.

Campus Leitir Fraic

- Ghnótháigh an céimí de chuid Leitir Fraic, John Lee, tairiscint ó Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí chun Cathaoir Insealbhaithe a dhearadh agus a dhéanamh d'Uachtaráin na hÉireann, Micheál D Ó hUiginn. Rinneadh an t-insealbhú i mí na Samhna i mBaile Átha Cliath.
- Dóstáigh GMIT Leitir Fraic Comhdháil Oideachais i Leitir Fraic i mí na Nollag d'fhonn réimse an mheasúnaithe ar ábhairiarbhunscoileanna atá bunaithe ar an teicneolaíocht a iniúchadh.

Leabharlann

- Ceapadh Margaret Waldron Uas., Leabharlannaí GMIT, ar choiste Educate mar ionadáí Leabharlannaithe IiT.

Seirbhísí na Neach Léinn

- Thug an tSeirbhís Chomhairleoireachta sraith ceardlanna ar ‘*Responding to Students in Distress*’.
- Rinne na Comhairleoirí Uile de chuid GMIT freastal ar chruinníú de chuid Ghrúpa Tacaíochta Piara an Iarthair a reáchtáladh ag NUIG le déanaí. Is comhaontas comhairleoirí as GMIT, NUIG, IT Sligo, LYIT agus AIT é sin le saincheisteanna cliniciúla agus scothchleachtas a phlé agus a gcuid saineolais a chomhroinnt laistigh den ghrúpa.
- Chláraigh 130 neach léinn céad bhliana le míchumais éagsúla le GMIT agus fuair tacaíocht ón ÚAO.
- Rinne na Comhairleoirí Pauline Clancy agus Pauline Staunton freastal ar ‘Fhóram Sláinte an Irish Times & Pfizer’ a reáchtáladh ag GMIT i nDeireadh Fómhair. Thug an fóram aghaidh ar an topaic ‘*Mental Health in Ireland – Is Ireland on the Edge?*’

Letterfrack Campus

- Letterfrack graduate, John Lee, won a tender from the OPW to design and make the new Inauguration Chair for the President of Ireland (Mr. Michael D Higgins). The inauguration took place in November in Dublin Castle.
- GMIT Letterfrack hosted an Education Conference in Letterfrack in December, examining the area of assessment of post-primary technology-based subjects.

Library

- Ms Margaret Waldron, the GMIT Librarian was appointed to the Committee of Educate as the IoT Librarians representative.

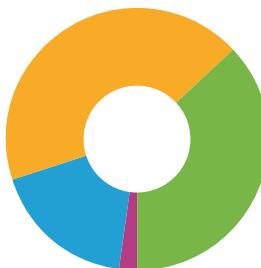
Student Services

- The Counselling Service delivered a series of workshops on ‘*Responding to Students in Distress*’.
- All GMIT Counsellors attended the Western Peer Support Group meeting held at NUIG recently. This is an alliance of counsellors from GMIT, NUIG, IT Sligo, LYIT and AIT to discuss clinical issues, best practice and share their expertise within the group.
- A total of 130 first year students with various disabilities registered with GMIT and were supported by the HEA.
- Counsellors Pauline Clancy and Pauline Staunton attended the ‘Irish Times & Pfizer Health Forum’ held at GMIT in October. The forum addressed the topic ‘*Mental Health in Ireland – Is Ireland on the Edge?*’

Staitisticí na Neach Léinn 4.2.1

Suirbhé ar Chéimithe GMIT 2011/12

Fostóirí	37%
Breis Staidéir	43%
Ag Lorg Fostáofcha	18%
Gan bheith ar fáil le haghaidh breis oibre/staidéir	2%



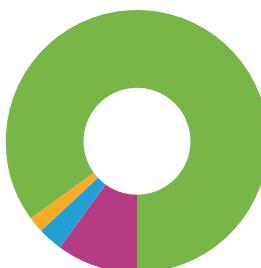
Student Statistics 4.2.1

GMIT Graduate Survey 2011/12

Employers	37%
Further Studies	43%
Seeking Employment	18%
Not available for further work / study	2%

Clárú Neacha Léinn

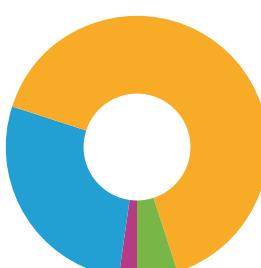
Tríú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha	85%
Dara Leibhéal Ceirde	2%
Printísgigh Innealtóireachta	3%
Páirtaimseartha agus Tráhnóna	10%



Student Enrolment

Cláruithe 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha de Réir Leibhéal Dámhachtana

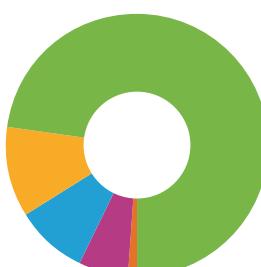
Teastas	5%
Dioplóma / Gnáthchéim	65%
Fochéim (Onór)	28%
Eile	2%



Full-time 3rd Level Enrolments by Level of Award

Foinse Sainchónaí 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha

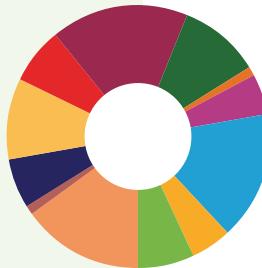
Connachta	73%
Laighin	11%
Mumhain	9%
Ulaidh	6%
Other	1%



Domiciliary Original Full-time 3rd Level

Clárúithe Tríú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha - Fireann

Daonnachtaí agus Ealaíona	7%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta agus Iompraíochta	5%
Gnó agus Riarachán	16%
Eolaíochtaí Beatha	5%
Eolaíochtaí Fisiceacha	1%
Riomhaireacht	10%
Innealtóireacht agus Céirdeanna	
Innealtóireachta	17%
Déantúsaíocht agus Próiseáil	7%
Ailtireacht agus Foirgníocht	10%
Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht agus Iascaireacht	6%
Sláinte	1%
Seirbhísí Pearsanta	15%
Eile	0%

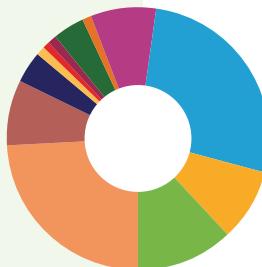


Full-time Enrolments Third Level Male

Humanities and Arts	7%
Social and Behavioural Science	5%
Business and Administration	16%
Life Sciences	5%
Physical Sciences	1%
Computing	10%
Engineering and Engineering Trades	17%
Manufacturing and Processing	7%
Architecture and Building	10%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery	6%
Health	1%
Personal Services	15%
Other	0%

Clárúithe Tríú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha - Baineann

Daonnachtaí agus Ealaíona	12%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta agus Iompraíochta	9%
Gnó agus Riarachán	27%
Eolaíochtaí Beatha	8%
Eolaíochtaí Fisiceacha	1%
Riomhaireacht	4%
Innealtóireacht agus Céirdeanna	
Innealtóireachta	1%
Déantúsaíocht agus Próiseáil	1%
Ailtireacht agus Foirgníocht	1%
Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht agus Iascaireacht	
Sláinte	8%
Seirbhísí Pearsanta	24%
Eile	0%

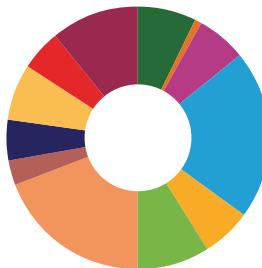


Full-time Enrolments Third Level Female

Humanities and Arts	12%
Social and Behavioural Science	9%
Business and Administration	27%
Life Sciences	8%
Physical Sciences	1%
Computing	4%
Engineering and Engineering Trades	1%
Manufacturing and Processing	1%
Architecture and Building	1%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery	4%
Health	8%
Personal Services	24%
Other	0%

Cláruithe Lánaimseartha Tríú Leibhéal de Réir Disciplín

Daonnachtaí agus Ealaíona	9%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta agus Iompraifofcha	6%
Gnó agus Riarachán	21%
Eolaíochtaí Beatha	6%
Eolaíochtaí Fisiceacha	1%
Ríomhaireacht	7%
Innealtóireacht agus Ceirdeanna	
Innealtóireachta	11%
Déantúsaíocht agus Próiseáil	5%
Ailtireacht agus Foirgníocht	7%
Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht agus Iascaireacht	5%
Sláinte	3%
Seirbhísí Pearsanta	19%
Seirbhísí Iomlán	0%

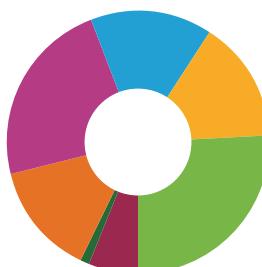


Full-time Third Level Enrolments by Discipline

Humanities and Arts	9%
Social and Behavioural Science	6%
Business and Administration	21%
Life Sciences	6%
Physical Sciences	1%
Computing	7%
Engineering and Engineering Trades	11%
Manufacturing and Processing	5%
Architecture and Building	7%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery	5%
Health	3%
Personal Services	19%
Combined Services	0%

Céimithe Tríú Leibhéal de Réir Disciplín

Gnó	26%
Daonnachtaí	15%
Eolaíocht	15%
Innealtóireacht / Foirgníocht	23%
Ostán agus Lónadóireacht	14%
Bunchúrsa	1%
Altranás	6%

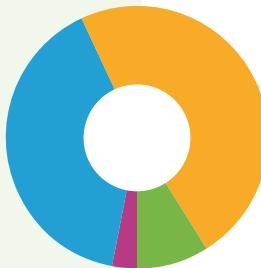


Third Level Graduates by Discipline

Business	26%
Humanities	15%
Science	15%
Engineering / Construction	23%
Hotel and Catering	14%
Foundation	1%
Nursing	6%

Céimithe Trí Leibhéal de Réir Dámhachtana

Ardteastas	9%
Dioplóma / Gnáthchéim	48%
Fochéim / Céim Onóracha	40%
Iarchéim	3%

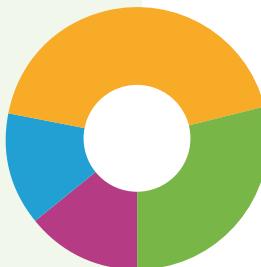


Third Level Graduates by Level of Award

Higher Certificate	9%
Diploma / Ord Degree	48%
Undergraduate / Hons Degree	40%
Postgraduate Degree	3%

Cláruithe Dara Léibhéal de Réir Cúrsa

Printísgigh Cócaireachta Gairmiúla	29%
Ealaíona Cócaireachta	43%
Lántumadh i gCócaireacht	
Ghairmiúil	14%
Clár Oiliúna Bainistíochta	14%



Second Level Craft Enrolments by Course

Professional Cookery Apprentices	29%
Culinary Arts	43%
Total Immersion in Prof Cookery	14%
Management Trainee Programme	14%

Cláruithe Ceirde Lánaimseartha de Réir Inscne

Fireann	71%
Baineann	29%



Wholetime Second Level Craft Enrolments by Gender

Male	71%
Female	29%

Cláruithe i gCeirdeanna Innealtóireachta de Réir Inscne

Fireann	100%
Baineann	0%



Enrolments in Engineering Trades by Gender

Male	100%
Female	0%

Bronnadh Dámhachtainí 4.2.2**Conferring of Awards 4.2.2**

<i>GAILLIMH</i>	<i>AT GALWAY</i>
<i>Scoil Ghnó</i>	<i>School of Business</i>
Baitsiléir Gnó	136 Bachelor of Business
Baitsiléir Gnó (Foghlaim Sholúbtha)	2 Bachelor of Business (Flexible Learning)
Ardteastas i nGnó	1 Higher Certificate in Business
Baitsiléir Gnó i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Gnó Talmhaíochta	22 Bachelor of Business in Rural Enterprise and Agri-Business
Baitsiléir Gnó i gCórais Riaracháin agus Faisnéise	23 Bachelor of Business in Administration and Information Systems
Ardteastas i nGnó i gCórais Riaracháin agus Faisnéise	5 Higher Certificate in Business in Administration and Information Systems
Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Chórais Faisnéise	13 Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Information Systems Management
Baitsiléir Ealaón i nGnó agus Cumarsáid	3 Baitsiléir Ealaón i nGnó agus Cumarsáid
Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i nGnó agus Cumarsáid	11 Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i nGnó agus Cumarsáid
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha)	146 Bachelor of Business (Honours)
Máistir Gnó i mBainistíocht Straitéise agus Nuálaíochta	12 Master of Business in Strategy and Innovation Management
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i gCuntasaíocht Dioplóma Iarchéime i gCuntasaíocht	59 Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting
ACCA Leibhéal Gairmiuil	9 Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting
Céim Máistir Gnó (trí Thaighde)	3 ACCA Professional Level3
	1 Degree of Master of Business (by Research)
	446

<i>Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón</i> <i>(Scoil na nDaonnachtaí roimhe seo)</i>	<i>College of Tourism and Arts</i> <i>(formerly School of Humanities)</i>
Baitsiléir Ealaón i Staidéar Oidhreachta	37 Bachelor of Arts in Heritage Studies
Ardteastas in Ealaíona i Staidéar Oidhreachta	2 Higher Certificate in Arts in Heritage Studies
Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i Staidéar Oidhreachta	26 Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Heritage Studies
Baitsiléir Ealaón i Scannán agus Teilifís	28 Bachelor of Arts in Film and Television
Baitsiléir Ealaón in Ealaín agus Dearadh	60 Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design
Baitsiléir Ealaón in Ealaín agus Dearadh (Foghlaim Sholúbtha)	17 Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design (Flexible Learning)
Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i Mínealaín	48 Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Fine Art
Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i nDearadh agus Teicstílí	13 Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Design in Textiles
Céim Máistir Ealaón (trí Thaighde)	1 Degree of Master of Arts (by Research)
Teastas in Aistriúchán Cáipéisí Dlí agus Stáit	12 Teastas in Aistriúchán Cáipéisí Dlí agus Stáit
	244

<i>GAILIMH</i>	<i>AT GALWAY</i>
<i>Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón</i> (Coláiste Óstáin roimhe seo)	<i>College of Tourism and Arts</i> (formerly Hotel School)
Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta	30 Bachelor of Business in Hotel and Catering Management
Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta (Blocscaoileadh)	27 Bachelor of Business in Hotel and Catering Management (Block Release)
Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta	50 Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Hotel and Catering Management
Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Beáir	6 Bachelor of Business in Bar Management
Baitsiléir Gnó in Ealaíona Cócaireachta	17 Bachelor of Business in Culinary Arts
Ardteastas in Ealaíona in Ealaíona Cócaireachta	29 Higher Certificate in Arts in Culinary Arts
Baitsiléir Ealaíona in Ealaíona Cócaireachta (Foghlaim Sholúbtha)	Bachelor of Arts in Culinary Arts (Flexible Learning)
Baitsiléir Gó i Miondól agus Bainistíocht Seirbhíse don Chustaiméir	10 Bachelor of Business in Retail and Customer Service Management
Baitsiléir Gó i mBainistíocht Imeachtaí (le CP)	26 Bachelor of Business in Event Management (with PR)
Baitsiléir Gó i mBainistíocht Turasóireachta	29 Bachelor of Business in Tourism Management
Ardeastas i nGnó i dTurasóireacht	19 Higher Certificate in Business in Tourism
Ardeastas in Ealaíona i Staidéar Fáilteachais	11 Higher Certificate in Arts in Hospitality Studie
Ardeastas in Ealaíona i Maoirseacht Beáir	7 Higher Certificate in Arts in Bar Supervision
Ardteastas i nGnó i mBainistíocht Óstáin (Clár Forbartha Bainisteora faoi Oitliúint)	4 Higher Certificate in Business in Hotel Management (Trainee Manager Development Programme)
	283
<i>Dámhachtainí FETAC</i>	<i>FETAC Awards</i>
Ardteastas i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil Leibhéal 6 (Cúrsa Oiliúna i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil)	8 Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery (Traineeship in Professional Cookery)
Ardteastas i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil Leibhéal 6 (Clár Lántumtha Cóaire /TICP)	15 Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery (Total Immersion Chef Programme/TICP)
	23
Iomlán	306 Total

<i>GAILLIMH</i>	<i>AT GALWAY</i>
<i>Scoil na hInnealtóireachta</i>	<i>School of Engineering</i>
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Shibhialta	20 Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering
Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht in Innealtóireacht Shibhialta	1 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Civil Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Shibhialta	10 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Civil Engineering
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta	21 Bachelor of Science in Architectural Technology
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta	2 Higher Certificate in Science in Architectural Technology
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta	16 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Architectural Technology
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta in Eacnamaíocht Foirgniochta agus Suirbhéireacht Chainníochta	16 Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eacnamaíocht Foirgniochta agus Suirbhéireacht Chainníochta	17 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBainistíocht Foirgniochta	9 Bachelor of Science in Construction Management
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht	23 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Management
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i Staidéar Réadmhaoinne	17 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Property Studies
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i gCórais Ríomhaire agus Leictreonaice	10 Bachelor of Science in Computer and Electronic Systems
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire agus Leictreonaice	18 Bachelor of Engineering in Computer and Electronic Engineering
Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire agus Leictreonaice	2 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Computer and Electronic Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire agus Leictreonaice	13 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Computer and Electronic Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Tionsclaíochta	17 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Industrial Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht le Bainistíocht	1 Bachelor of Engineering in Engineering with Management
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Mheicniúil	42 Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering
Ardteastas in Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Mheicniúil	1 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Mechanical Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Mheicniúil	36 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Fuinnimh	28 Bachelor of Engineering in Energy Engineering
Ardteastas in Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Fuinnimh	3 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Energy Engineering
Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Fuinnimh	14 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Energy Engineering
Máistir Eolaíochta i gCórais Chomhshaoil	15 Master of Science in Environmental Systems
Céim Máistir Innealtóireachta (trí Thaighde)	1 Degree of Master of Engineering (by Research)
Céim Dochtúir Fealsúnachta	2 Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

<i>GAILLIMH</i>	<i>AT GALWAY</i>
<i>Scoil na hEolaíochta</i>	<i>School of Science</i>
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht Ghnó agus Meáin Dhigiteacha	Bachelor of Science in Business Computing and Digital Media
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTeicneolaíocht Faisnéise do Ghnó	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Information Technology for Business
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearraí Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearraí	Bachelor of Science in Computing in Software Development Higher Certificate in Science in Computing in Software Development
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhForbairt Bogearraí Máistir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Software Development Master of Science in Computing
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Muirí	Bachelor of Science in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Muirí	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Bhithchógaísciochta	Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Bhithchógaísciochta	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Bhithchógaísciochta	Higher Certificate in Science in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Bhithchógaísciochta	Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Bhithchógaísciochta	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i bFisic agus Ionstraimíocht	Bachelor of Science in Physics and Instrumentation
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Physics and Instrumentation
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTalmhaíocht agus Bainistíocht Comhshaoil	Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and Environmental Management
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i dTalmhaíocht agus Bainistíocht Comhshaoil	Higher Certificate in Science in Agriculture and Environmental Management
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Bainistíocht Comhshaoil	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Rural Enterprise and Environmental Management
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBithchógaísciochta Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Chúram Sláinte – Cianfhoghlaím	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Biopharmaceutical and Healthcare Science – Distance Learning
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Leighis Céim Maistir Eolaíochta (trí Thaighde)	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Medical Science
Céim Dochtaí Fealsúnachta	Degree of Master of Science (by Research)
	Degree of Doctor of Philosophy
241	
Gaillimh Iomlán	Galway Total
1592	

<i>CAISLEÁN AN BHARRAIGH</i>	<i>AT CASTLEBAR</i>
Ardteastas i nGnó	2
Ardteastas i nGnó i bhFeidhmchláir Ríomhaire	13
Baitsiléir Gnó	19
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i gCuntasaíocht agus Bainistíocht Airgeadais	16
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha)	15
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i gCuntasaíocht	13
Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Oideachas Allamuigh agus Áineas	16
Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Oideachas Allamuigh agus Áineas le Tíreolaíocht	6
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) in Oideachas Allamuigh	12
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i Staidéar Oidhreachta	18
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onórach) i Staidéar Oidhreachta	5
Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Ealaín agus Dearadh (Foghlaim Sholúbtha)	7
Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Pearsanra	21
Máistir Gnó	1
	165
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i dTacaíocht	
Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise	35
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht i dTacaíocht	
Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise	15
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht	
Seirbhísí Riomhaire	6
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta in	
Athchóiriú agus Cothabháil	42
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta	1
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTeicneolaíochta Ailtireacht	1
	100
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in	
Altranás	30
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i, Altranás	
Síciatrach	13
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranás (Forlíontach)	6
Teastas i gCúram Daoine Scothaosta	
(Dámhachtain Shainchuspóireach)	8
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i Staidéar Sóisialta Feidhmeach	65
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i Staidéar Sóisialta Feidhmeach	6
	128
Bunteastas FETAC	21
	21
Iomlán	414
	Total

<i>LEITIR FRAIC</i>	<i>AT LETTERFRACK</i>
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i nDearadh agus Déantús Troscáin	17 Bachelor of Science in Furniture Design and Manufacture
Baitsileir Eolaíochta i dTeicneolaíocht Troscáin agus Adhmaid	15 Bachelor of Science in Furniture and Wood Technology
Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht i dTeicneolaíocht Troscáin agus Adhmaid	1 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Furniture and Wood Technology
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i nDearadh agus Déantús Troscáin	12 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Furniture Design and Manufacture
Baitsileir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Troscáin agus Adhmaid	6 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Furniture and Wood Technology
Bachelor of Science (Onóracha) in Oideachas Dearaidh agus Teicneolaíochta	26 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Design and Technology Education
Iomlán	77 Total
Móriomlán	2083 Grand Total

Taighde agus Nuálaíocht 4.3

Bhí cúig sprioc agus cúig straitéis déag ag an bPiléar Taighde agus Nuálaíocht den Phlean Straitéiseach. Is í a straitéis uileghabhálach ná díriú go príomha ar thaighde feidhmeach agus forbairt i réimsí tosaíochta ag a bhfuil torthaí soiléire a bhaineann le teagasc agus forbairt réigiúnach.

Ba iad na cúig sprioc a bhí ag an bPiléar Taighde agus Nuálaíocht:

1. Gnionmaiochtaí taighde a chomhtháthú d' inbhuanaitheacht eacnamaíoch
2. Tosaíocht a thabhairt do thaighde bunaithe ar idirdhisciplíní vs taighde bunaithe ar dhisciplíni
3. An nasc idir taighde agus teagasc a fhorbairt
4. Dul i mbun comhoibrithe foirmiúla idir-institiúideacha, ar a n-áirítear Cláir Struchtúrtha PhD a chur ar fáil don Tionsclaíocht
5. Tosaíocht a thabhairt do tháirgeadh an eolais agus d'aistrithe na teicneolaíochta mar thacaíocht le forbairt réigiúnach agus cruthú fiontair.

Ar na príomhrudaí a baineadh amach faoin bpiléar seo don bhliain 2011/12 bhí:

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Gníomhaiochtaí taighde a chomhtháthú d' inbhuanaitheacht eacnamaíoch

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Na grúpaí forbartha taighde seo a leanas a chomhtháthú:
 - a. Fionnúisce agus Muirí
 - b. Innealtóireacht Bhithleáighis
 - c. An Comhsaoil Tógha (Fuinneamh agus Troscán san áireamh)
2. Forbairt dhá ghrúpa nua taighde a shainainthint agus a chothú
3. Maoirseoirí agus comhoibreoirí tionscalbhunaithe a shainainthint agus díriú orthu

Tosaíocht a thabhairt do thaighde bunaithe ar idirdhisciplíní vs taighde bunaithe ar dhisciplíni

Príomhstraitise:

1. Éagsúlacht phunann taighde agus teagaisc a shaothrú d'fhoinn réimsí taighde idirdhisciplíneacha a shainainthint agus a fhorbairt
2. Líonraí idirdhisciplíneacha a chothú agus a éascú
3. Soghluaiseacht fairne a spreagadh agus a éascú idir scoileanna agus ranna
4. Ár gcuid acmhainní taighde idirdhisciplíneacha a chur in iúl lasmuigh den eagraíocht

Research and Innovation 4.3

The Research and Innovation Pillar of the Strategic Plan had five objectives and fifteen key strategies. Its overarching strategy is to focus primarily on applied research and development in prioritised areas with clear outcomes related to teaching and regional development.

The five objectives of the Research and Innovation Pillar were:

1. Consolidate research activities for economic sustainability
2. Prioritise interdisciplinary based research vs disciplinary based research
3. Develop the nexus between research and teaching
4. Engage in formal Inter institutional collaborations, including the provision of Structured PhD Programmes for Industry.
5. Prioritise knowledge production and technology transfer in support of regional development and enterprise formation.

Key achievements under this pillar for the 2011/12 academic year included:

Consolidate research activities for economic sustainability

Key Strategies:

1. Consolidate the following development research groups:
 - a. Marine and Fresh Water
 - b. Biomedical Engineering
 - c. The Built Environment (to include Energy and Furniture)
2. Identify and foster the development of two new research groups.
3. Identify and target industry based research supervisors and collaborators.

Prioritise interdisciplinary based research vs disciplinary based research

Key Strategies:

1. Exploit the diversity of the Institute research and teaching portfolio to identify and develop interdisciplinary research areas.
2. Foster and facilitate the creation of interdisciplinary networks.
3. Encourage and facilitate staff mobility between schools or departments.
4. Communicate our interdisciplinary research strengths outside the organisation.

An nasc idir taighde agus teagasc a fhorbairt

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. An gaol idir taighde agus teagasc a fhorbairt
2. Sármhaiteas i dtaiughde a aistriú ina deiseanna foghlama do na neacha léinn

Dul i mbun comhoibrithe foirmiúla idir-institiúideacha, ar a n-áirítear Cláir Struchtúrtha PhD a chur ar fáil don Tionsclaócht

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Socruithe comhoibríocha a chuireann le cumas taighde na hInstitiúide a chur ar bhonn foirmiúil
2. Páirt a ghlacadh i bhforbairt clár struchtúrtha PhD don tionsclaócht

Tosaíocht a thabhairt do tháirgeadh an eolais agus d'aistrithe na teicneolaíochta mar thacaíocht le forbairt réigiúnach agus cruthú fiontair

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Mol Taighde agus Nuálaíochta a fhorbairt chun droichead a thógáil idir an tsármhaiteas acadúil agus forbairt fiontair.
2. Ceapadh, cosaint agus saothrú maoine intleachtúla féidearthá a chinntí.
3. Spreagadh agus tacaíocht a thabhairt do sheachthairbhí ó láirionaid ghoir (IiBC) na hInstitiúide.
4. A bheith ina soláthraí aitheanta réiteach eolasbhunaithe do ghnó.

An Scoil Ghnó

- Chuir an Dr Laurence P. Elwood páipéar i láthair don 33ú Comhdháil Bhliantúil EAIR (Cumann Ardoideachais na hEorpa), i Scoil Eacnamaíochta Vársá na Polainne i Lúnasa. “Strategic Planning in Ireland’s Institutes of Technology: Alignment or Alienation?”
- Glacadh le páipéar don 2ú Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta ar Lionraí, Foghlaim agus Fiontraíocht, Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge, leis an Dr Laurence P. Elwood, Kevin Heffernan Uas. agus Maria Staunton Uas. “An Empirical Analysis of Factors Conducive to the Development of Regional Innovation Systems: Ireland’s BMW Region”.

Develop the nexus between research and teaching

Key Strategies:

1. Develop the relationship between research and teaching.
2. Translate excellence in research into learning opportunities for students.

Engage in formal Inter institutional collaborations, including the provision of Structured PhD Programmes for Industry

Key Strategies:

1. Formalise collaborative arrangements which enhance the Institute’s capacity for research.
2. Participate in the development of sectoral structured PhD programmes for Industry. of regional development and enterprise formation.

Prioritise knowledge production and technology transfer in support of regional development and enterprise formation.

Key Strategies:

1. Develop a Research and Innovation Hub to bridge academic excellence and enterprise development.
2. Ensure the effective capture, protection and exploitation of potential intellectual property.
3. Stimulate and support spin-outs to the Institute’s incubation centres (IiBC).
4. Become a recognised provider of knowledge-based business solutions.

School of Business

- Dr Laurence P. Elwood presented a paper to the EAIR (European Higher Education Society) 33rd Annual Conference, Warsaw School of Economics, Warsaw, Poland in August. “Strategic Planning in Ireland’s Institutes of Technology: Alignment or Alienation?”
- A Paper was accepted for the 2nd International Conference on Networks, Learning and Entrepreneurship, Waterford Institute of Technology in December, by Dr Laurence P. Elwood, Mr Kevin Heffernan and Ms Maria Staunton “An Empirical Analysis of Factors Conducive to the Development of Regional Innovation Systems: Ireland’s BMW Region”.

Scoil na hInnealtóireachta

- Fuair Sinéad Mitchell, (ar dheis), taighdeoir iarchéime sa Roinn Innealtóireachta Meicníula agus Tionsclaíche duais speisialta as páipéar dar teideal '*The Issue of Waste in European Manufacturing SMEs*', a cuireadh i láthair ag siompóisiam sa tSáirdín i nDeireadh Fómhair. Cuireadh an taighde seo i gcrích mar chuid de thionscadal a bhí maoinithe faoin gCreat 7 AE Future SME (www.futuresme.eu), a bhfuil mar aidhm aige uirlisí agus teicníci a fhorbairt chun cur le cumas iomaíochta SMEanna Eorpacha.
- Ghnóthaigh Donall Dowd, neach léinn taighde PhD, a chuidigh le John Sisk & Son, duais idirnáisiúnta as a chuid taighde PhD ar inbhuanaitheacht in earnáil na foirgníochta. Chuidigh Donall, a bhí sa bhliaín dheiridh dá chuid taighde PhD in Eolaíocht faoi stiúir an Dr Mark Kelly, le John Sisk & Son chun "*Sustainable construction and demolition project of the year*" d'Ospidéal Mater do Dhaoine Fásta i mBaile Átha Cliath a ghnóthachtáil. Bhí sé sin ar raon duaiseanna comhshaoil a bhronn an Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM) ag searmanas i Londain.
- Fuair Wayne Gibbons, léachtóir sa Roinn Innealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta, a MSc i nDearadh Foirgníochta Fuinnimh agus Inbhuaíne, duais i mí na Nollag ó Ollscoil DeMontfort, Leicester.
- D'fhorbair lárionad GMedTech, a bunaíodh go foirmiúil faoin scéim um Fheabhsúchán Taighde Fheidhmigh de chuid Fhiontar Éireann, cumais chun modúil réalaíocha shoithíocha a ghiniúint ó íomhána míochaine a bhfuil mar phríomhchuspóir leo riochtá difriúla sreibhe fiseolaíocha a shamháltú go ríomhaireachtúil agus go turgnamhach trí na soithí sin.

Cuireann na córais na mionsamhlacha fiseolaíocha dinimiciúla ar fáil chun gnáthaimh mhíochaine a mheasúnú agus chun feistí míochaine a optamú do chríocha tionsclaíochta



Sinéad Mitchell

School of Engineering

- Sinéad Mitchell, (left) a post-graduate researcher in the Department of Mechanical & Industrial Engineering, received a special award for a paper entitled '*The Issue of Waste in European Manufacturing SMEs*', presented at a symposium in Sardinia in October. This research was completed as part of the EU Framework 7-funded FutureSME project (www.futuresme.eu), which aims to develop tools and techniques to make European SMEs more competitive.
- Donall Dowd, a PhD research student, who assisted John Sisk & Son, won an international award for sustainability in the construction sector. Donall, was in the final year of his PhD research in Environmental Science under the supervision of Dr Mark Kelly, supported John Sisk & Son in winning "*Sustainable construction and demolition project of the year*" for the Mater Adult Hospital in Dublin. This was one of a range of environmental awards presented by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM) at a ceremony in London.
- Wayne Gibbons, lecturer in the Department of Building & Civil Engineering, received his MSc in Energy and Sustainable Building Design award in December from DeMontfort University, Leicester.
- The GMedTech, centre which was formally established under the Enterprise Ireland Applied Research Enhancement scheme, developed capabilities in generating realistic vascular modules from medical images with the main objective of computationally and experimentally modelling different physiological flow conditions through these vessels.

The systems provide the best physiological dynamic models necessary for assessing medical procedures and optimising medical devices for industrial proposes.

Is é an ghné uathúil a bhaineann leis an lárionad GMedTech an cumas chun córais tástála in vitro a dhearadh agus a fhorbairt le riochtaí éagsúla haemadiminiciúla trí chodanna difriúla den chóras cardashoithíoch a d'fhéadfadh cineál galair a chuimsiú nó nach gcuimseodh b'fhéidir.

Tugadh aitheantas don chumas uathúil seo ag Comhdháil Innealtóireachta Bithleaghis ASME an Samhradh seo caite in Farmington, Pennsylvania, SAM ag ar iarr an Coiste Sreabhán ar thraigheoirí de chuid an lárionaid GMedTech sonraí tástála tagarmharcála a chur ar fáil do chomhdháil samhraidh innealtóireachta bithleaghis ASME don cheardlann tosaithé promhála CFD an bliain dar gcionn.

Féadfaidh na córais tástála seo indéantacht táirge nó gnáthamh máinliachta, riochtaí éagsúla galair a mheasúnú agus sonraí tagarmharcala a chur ar fáil le haghaidh bailíochtú anailís ríomhaireachtúla. Má eírionn le córas in vitro tástála is féidir leis trialacha tástála ainmhí agus cliniceacha a íoslachdú.

- Is í GMIT an príompháirtínéir i dtionscadal Leonardo (dar luach €246k) le haghaidh cur chuige don fhoghlaim nuálach ar líne a aistriú ó Ollscoil Theicniul Graz san Ostair go dtí GMIT agus forbairt cúrsaí ar líne a fhorbairt le haghaidh Oiliúint Suiteála Caidéál Teasa don tionsclaíocht Éireannach agus Eorpach. D'fhorbair an tionscadal, a bhfuil an Dr Thomas Roche mar Phrómh-Imscrúdaitheoir air, an bonneagar agus an mhodheolaíocht ar líne a chuir ar chumas GMIT cúrsaí ar líne a fhorbairt leis an infheistíocht is lú. Tá beartaithe oiliúint foirne a sholáthar ar conas cláir ar líne a chruthú agus a bhainistiú laistigh den bliaín acadúil seo.
- Chuir Valerie Butler, Scoil na hInnealtóireachta, páipéar i láthair ag IMC-28, ag an 28ú Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta Déantúsaíochta ag DCU, “*Supporting the social, situated and tacit nature of design*”.
- Rinne an Lárionad do Chomhtháthú Teicneolaíochtaí Inbhuaime Fuinnimh (CiSET) i Scoil na hInnealtóireachta maoirseacht ar chrann meítéareolaíoch agus tuirbín 2.4kW Skystream 3.7 fuinneamh gaoithe a chur suas ag an gColáiste Talmhaíochta sa Chreagán. Ba é sin an chéad cheann de dhá thuirbín atá le cur suas ar an gCreagán agus is céim thábhachtach é i neartú nasc idir CiSET agus earnáil na talmhaíochta. Suiteáladh an chéad tuirbín gaoithe 6kW ar champus Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath anuraidh.

The unique feature within the GMedTech centre is the capacity for designing and developing in vitro testing systems for replicating various haemodynamic conditions through different parts of the cardiovascular system that may or may not incorporate a disease type.

This unique capability was recognised at last Summer's ASME Summer Biomedical engineering conference in Farmington, Pennsylvania, USA at which the researchers within the GMED Tech centre was approached by the Fluids Committee to provide benchmarking test data for next year's ASME summer biomedical engineering conference for the inaugural CFD challenge workshop.

These test systems can prove the feasibility of a product or surgical procedures, assess various disease conditions and provide benchmarking data for the validation of computational analysis. A successful in vitro test system can keep animal testing and clinical trials to a minimum.

- GMIT is the lead partner in a Leonardo project (€246k value) for the transfer of innovative online learning approaches from the Technical University (TU) of Graz in Austria to GMIT and the development of online courses in Heat Pump Installation Training for the Irish and EU industry. The project, which has Dr Thomas Roche as Principal Investigator, developed the infrastructure and online methodology enabled GMIT to expand the development of online courses with minimum investment. The provision of training to staff in GMIT on how to create and manage online programmes is planned within this academic year.
- Valerie Butler, School of Engineering, presented a paper at IMC-28, at the 28th International Manufacturing Conference, DCU, “*Supporting the social, situated and tacit nature of design*”.
- The Centre for the Integration of Sustainable Energy Technologies (CiSET) in the School of Engineering oversaw the erection of a 2.4kW Skystream 3.7 wind turbine and meteorological mast at Mountbellew Agricultural College. This was the first of two turbines to be erected at Mountbellew and marks an important stage in strengthening links between CiSET and the agricultural sector. The first 6kW wind turbine installation was on the Galway (Dublin Road) campus last year.

- Bhí an 18ú Comhdháil Bhliantúil den Rannóg Bith-Innealtóireachta d'Acadamh Ríoga Leighis na hÉireann ar siúl in Eanáir 2012. Chuir neacha léinn agus céimithe de chuid GMedTech 3 pháipéar i láthair.
- I mí na Nollag, rinne an Dr Liam Morris freastal ar lá fainseáise i Londain a thug aghaidh ar an sprioc taighde fiseolaíoch fiorúil daonna a bhfuil cur síos air sa chlár Oibre FP7 ICT; sprioc 5.2, a oscalaíodh le buiséad de €66.5m in Eanáir 2012. Thug an tOllamh Tim McGloughlin de chuid UL cuireadh do Liam páirt a ghacadh sa ghlaao nua seo ar mhaoiniú, agus UL mar phriomhpháirtnéir.
- Ghlac taighdeoirí de chuid GMedTech na chéad chéimeanna chun sonraí turgnamhacha tagarmharcála a sheachadadh in Eanáir le haghaidh staidéar domhanda bithleighis atá thírithe ar réitigh a aimsiú do 6% de phobal an domhain. Agus aitheantas á thabhairt aige do chumais uathúla GMedTech chun sainmhionsamhlacha anéaras ceirbreach othair a mhacasamhlú, riochtaí fiseolaíocha sreibhe a ghiniúint, agus paraíméadair sreibhe ábhartha a thomhas go cruinn, d'iarr an tOllamh David Steinman (Ollscoil Toronto, Ceanada) agus an tOllamh Frank Loth (Ollscoil Akron, USA) mar ionadaithe de chuid Choiste Sreabán ASME sonraí turgnamhacha tagarmharcála a ghiniúint don phromhadh. Dúirt an tOllamh Loth 'tá an cumas macasamhlaithe airtéarach laistigh de GMedTech ar an gceann is fearr ar domhan'
- Thug Frank Ryan, POF Fiontar Éireann, aitheasc poiblí dar teideal *'Ireland - the Comeback Economy'* san Amharclann 1000 le déanaí. Ba é a bhí mar aidhm ag an ócáid ná an glacadh agus an tóir ar ábhair STEM (eolaíocht, teicneolaíocht, innealtóireacht agus matamaitic) a mhéadú i measc daoine óga.
- D'éirigh le Tradecert (www.tradecert.com), cliant-chuideachta le IIBC, an t-aistriú a dhéanamh go rathúil go dtí láthair nua i bPáirc Mhór, Gaillimh in Eanáir 2012. D'fhorbair an chuideachta réiteach uathoibrithe ar líne le haghaidh cáipéisíocht chomhlíontach easpórtála. Chuaigh Tradecert i méid go dtí 6 fostaithe san IIBC, ar céimithe 4 diobh de chuid GMIT.
- Bhronn Fiontar Éireann maoiniú ar Láriónaíd Nuálaíochta GMIT chun Ardán Fiontraíochta a reáchtáil le linn 2012.
- Chuir neacha léinn taighde san Innealtóireachta Bhithleighis de chuid GMedTec roinnt páipéar i láthair ag Imeachtaí an RIA den 18ú Comhdháil Bhliantúil de na Rannóga Bith-Innealtóireachta d'Acadamh Ríoga Leighis na hÉireann ag QUB in Eanáir 2012.
- The 18th Annual Conference of the Bioengineering Section of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland took place in January, 2012. GMedTech students and graduates presented 3 papers.
- In December Dr Liam Morris attended in London an information day addressing the Virtual Physiological Human research objective described in the FP7 ICT Work programme; objective 5.2, opened with a €66.5 M budget in January 2012. Liam was invited by Prof. Tim McGloughlin of UL to participate in this new call for funding with UL as the lead partner.
- GMedTech researchers took the first steps in delivering benchmark experimental data in January for a global biomedical research study targeting solutions for 6% of the world's population. Recognising GMedTech's unique capabilities for replicating patient specific cerebral aneurysm models, generating physiological flow conditions, and accurately measuring relevant flow parameters, GMedTech was approached by Prof. David Steinman (University of Toronto, Canada) and Prof. Frank Loth (University of Akron, USA) representing ASME's Fluids Committee to generate experimental benchmark data for the challenge. Prof. Loth said "the arterial replicating ability within GMedTech is the best in the world".
- Frank Ryan, CEO Enterprise Ireland (EI), gave a public address entitled *'Ireland - the Comeback Economy'* in Theatre 1000 recently. The aim of the event was to increase the uptake and popularity of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and maths) subjects among young people.
- IIBC client company Tradecert (www.tradecert.com) successfully transitioned to a new location in Parkmore, Galway in Jan 2012. The company developed an automated online solution for export compliance documentation. Tradecert expanded to 6 employees in the IIBC, 4 of whom are GMIT graduates.
- GMIT Innovation Centres were awarded funding by Enterprise Ireland to run an Enterprise Platform Programme during 2012.
- GMedTech Biomedical Engineering research students presented a number of papers to the RIA Proceedings of the 18th annual conference of the Bioengineering section of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland at QUB in January 2012.

- Rinne GMedTech, an lárionad taighde teicneolaíochta leighis, compháirtíocht leis an Lárionad Náisiúnta um Thaighde ar an mBithleáis (NUIG), leis an Lárionad Ábhar & Dromchlaí (UL), AIT, IT Sligo, agus Georgia Tech, chun saineolas agus saoráidí ilsiopa a chur ar fáil do chuideachtaí teicneolaíochta leighis in Éirinn. Cuireann an t-aonán, ar a dtugtar an Lárionad Teicneolaíochta Leighis & Nuálaíochta (MeTric), seirbhísí forbartha teicneolaíochta, cliniúla agus gnó ar fáil do chuideachtaí, agus cuideachtaí tosaithe san áireamh. Tá bainisteoir an lárionaid suite in GMedTech. D'infheistigh GMIT €20,000 in aghaidh na bliana mar chuid de thuarastal an bhainisteora. Seoladh an tionscnamh tábhachtach seo go poiblí ag comhdháil ar an nuálaíocht réigiúnach arna heagrú ag an Lárionad um Athrú Straitéiseach & Nuálaíochta (CiSET) in NUIG i mí na Samhna.
- Thug an tOllamh Frank Loth de chuid Ollscoil Akron, Ohio, léacht i mí na Samhna do na neacha léinn as an sruth BSc (Onóracha) de chuid na hInnealtóireachta Meicniúla, Innealtóireachta Bithleáis, taighdeoirí GMedTech agus do thaighdeoirí ar cuireadh as NCBME (NUIG).
- Rinne an neach léinn M Eng Andrew McGlynn (Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Leictreonaice & Leictrí) obair ar chur i bhfeidhm ICT do dhea-bhail gheiriach trach. Shuiteál sé fréamhshamhail i bPáirc Muirlinne ar bhonn píolótach
- Chuir an neach léinn M Eng Dave Maher, sealbhóir scoláireacht IRCSET atá ag obair do eMedia san IiBC, páipéar isteach ar mhodheolaíochtaí forbartha bogearraí don fhón póca don 11ú Comhdháil IT&T a d'óstaigh Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí i Mártá.
- **Lárionad Taighde GMedTech**
Ó Eanáir 2012, chuir taighdeoirí GMedTech seirbhísí tráchtála R&D ar fáil do 31 cliant sa réigiún, agus NUIG san áireamh. Le linn an ama sin, tharla 25 idirghníomhaíocht neamh-mhaoinithe claint.
- **Foilseacháin**
Bhí Paul Fahy, neach léinn Ph.D. in Innealtóireacht Bhithleáis in GMedTech, ina chomhúdar leis an Dr Liam Morris de chuid GMedTech ar pháipéar a cuireadh i láthair ag Comhdháil Samhraidh na hInnealtóireachta Bithleáis ASME i mí an Mheithimh.
- Bhí Flore Stefanov, neach léinn PhD in Innealtóireacht Bhithleáis in GMedTech, ina chomhúdar ar pháipéar in éineacht leis an Dr Patrick Delassus and an Dr Liam Morris de chuid GMedTech a cuireadh i láthair ag Comhdháil Samhraidh Innealtóireachta Bithleáis ASME i mí an Mheithimh.
- GMedTech, the medical technology research centre, formed a partnership with the National Biomedical Engineering Science Research Centre (NUIG), the Materials & Surfaces Centre (UL), AIT, IT Sligo, and Georgia Tech, to provide one-stop-shop expertise and facilities to medical technology companies in Ireland. The entity, known as the Medical Technologies & Innovation Centre (MeTric), provides technology, clinical and business development services to companies including start-ups. The centre manager is located in GMedTech. GMIT invested €20,000 per year towards the Centre Manager's salary. This important initiative was publicly launched at a conference on regional innovation organised by the Centre for Strategic Change & Innovation (CISC) in NUIG in November.
- Prof. Frank Loth of the University of Akron, Ohio, gave a lecture in November to the students of the biomedical engineering stream of the BSc (Hons.) Mechanical Engineering, the GMedTech researchers and invited researchers from NCBME (NUIG).
- M Eng student Andrew McGlynn (Department of Electronics & Electrical Engineering) worked on the application of ICT for geriatric wellness. He installed a prototype in Merlin Park on a pilot basis.
- M Eng student Dave Maher, an IRCSET scholarship holder who works for eMedia in the IiBC, submitted a paper on software development methodologies for mobile phones to the 11th IT&T Conference which was hosted by Cork Institute of Technology in March.
- **GMedTech Research Centre**
Since January 2012, the researchers of GMedTech have provided commercial R&D services to 31 clients in the region, including NUIG. During this time, 25 non-funded client interactions have taken place.
- **Publications**
Paul Fahy, a Ph.D. student in Biomedical Engineering in GMedTech, co-authored a paper with Dr Liam Morris of GMedTech presented at the ASME Summer Biomedical Engineering Conference in June.
- Flore Stefanov, a Ph.D. student in Biomedical Engineering in GMedTech, co-authored a paper with Dr. Patrick Delassus and Dr. Liam Morris of GMedTech presented at the next ASME Summer Biomedical Engineering Conference in June.

Eolaíocht

- Rinne an Dr Coilin Minto (taighdeoir iardhochtúireachta i réimse na mara arna mhaoniu ag Snáití III) freastal ar an 141ú cruinniú blantúil den Chumann Iascaireachtaí in Seattle, Washington I Meán Fómhair. Rinne Coilin cur i láthair dar teideal “*Multivariate autoregressive processes for estimating the covariance of time-varying pre-recruit productivity*” (C. Minto, J. Flemming, and B. Worm). Bhí ina chomhúdar freisin ar thrí churi i láthair eile ó bhéal.
- Bronnadh maoiniú ar Melanie Zoleck agus Bernadette O'Neill (neacha léinn arna stiúradh ag D.Brophy agus D. McGrath) faoin tionscnamh lónraithe 2011 Athrú Mara de chuid Fhoras na Mara chun freastal ar an 8ú Siompóisiam Idirnáisiúnta ar an Leathgá a réachtáladh san Isiltír (IJmuiden). Rinne Melanie agus Bernadette cuir i láthair ó bhéal ar a gcuid taighde ag an gcomhdháil.
- Fuair taighdeoirí i Roinn na nEolaíochtaí Bitheacha & Fisiceacha maoiniú EPA dar luach €99,725. Ba é teideal an tionscadail “*Monitoring Ocean Noise in Irish Waters*”. Bhí comhoibriú idirnáisiúnta i gceist le hOllscoil Catalunya sa Spáinn agus le cuideachta áitiúil Biospheric Engineering.
- Bhronn Foras na Mara am suntasach ar bord an Celtic Explorer ar thaighdeoirí de chuid na Roinne Eolaíochtaí Bitheacha & Fisiceacha do shuirbhé tiomanta céiticeach.
- Tháinig baill foirne agus neacha léinn ar ais i Mártar tar éis móraistear taighde ar bord na loinge RV Celtic Explorer de chuid Fhoras na Mara. Le linn an turais chonaic siad grúpaí droimeiteach agus an t-albatras dú-mhala annamh a aimsítear de ghnáth san Aigéan Theas.
- D'éirigh le Scoil na hEolaíochta dhá Chomhalaacht IRCSET a mhealladh. Ba iad maoirseoirí na bPhDanna urraithe an Dr Deirdre Brophy agus an Dr Rick Officer.
- D'fhorbair an Dr Deirdre Brophy agus an Dr Rick Officer comhoibriú le Foras na Mara, Ifremer (An Fhrainc) agus CEFAS (RA) chun analís spásúil agus ama a dhéanamh ar chúrsaí beathaithe an fhaoitín ghoirm mar chuid den tionscadal EUFP7 EUROBASIN. Mar chuid den chomhoibriú seo, chaith James Keating (neach léinn de chuid D. Brophy and R. Officer) seachtain ag saotharlann Verena Trenkel (Ifremer) agus thug sé cuairt ar shaotharlann John Pinnegar (CEFAS) d'fhoinn scileanna sainaitheanta agus anailíse dá chuid ar inneachar goile a fheabhsú. Ghlac James páirt freisin i roinnt suirbhéanna idirnáisiúnta taighde agus scileanna anailíse.

Science

- Dr Coilin Minto (Strand III funded postdoctoral researcher in the marine area) attended the Annual Fisheries Society 141st meeting in Seattle, Washington in September. Coilin delivered a presentation entitled “*Multivariate autoregressive processes for estimating the covariance of time-varying pre-recruit productivity*” (C. Minto, J. Flemming, and B. Worm). He also co-authored 3 other oral presentations.
- Melanie Zoleck and Bernadette O'Neill (PhD students supervised by D. Brophy and D. McGrath) were awarded funding under the Marine Institute Sea Change networking initiative 2011 to attend the 8th International Flatfish Symposium which was held in the Netherlands (IJmuiden). Melanie and Bernadette both delivered oral presentations on their research at the conference.
- EPA funding of €99,725 was obtained by researchers in the Department of Life & Physical Sciences. The project is entitled “*Monitoring Ocean Noise in Irish Waters*”. The project involved international collaboration with the University of Catalonia, Spain and a local company Biospheric Engineering.
- Researchers in the Department of Life & Physical Sciences were awarded significant ship-time funding from the Marine Institute for a dedicated cetacean survey on board the Celtic Explorer.
- Marine research staff and students returned in March from a major research trip on board the Marine Institute vessel, the RV Celtic Explorer, during which they sighted groups of fin whales and a rare black-browed albatross, normally found in the Southern Ocean.
- The School of Science was successful in attracting two IRCSET Fellowships. The supervisors of the sponsored PhDs were Dr Deirdre Brophy and Dr Rick Officer.
- Dr Deirdre Brophy and Dr Rick Officer developed a collaboration with the Irish Marine Institute, Ifremer (France) and CEFAS (UK) to conduct a spatial and temporal analysis of feeding in blue whiting as part of the EUFP7 project EUROBASIN. As part of this collaboration, James Keating (PhD student of D. Brophy and R. Officer) spent a week at the laboratory of Verena Trenkel (Ifremer) and visited the lab of John Pinnegar (CEFAS) to develop his stomach content identification and analysis skills. James also participated in a number of international research surveys.

- Fuair Melanie Zoleck (neach léinn PhD i réimse na mara arna stiúradh ag D Brophy and D McGrath) maoiniú faoi ASSEMBLE (tionscnamh taighde bonneagair EU FP7) chun mí amháin a chaitheamh ag Saotharlann an Chumann Albanach um Eolaíocht Mara i Lúnasa 2012.

- Foilseacháin i réimse na mara:

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Shephard, S., Brophy D., and Reid D.G. 2010. Can bottom trawling indirectly diminish carrying capacity in a marine ecosystem? *Mar. Biol.* 157, 2375–2381. Ag na clódóirí.

Campus Chaisleáin An Bharraigh

- Thug Yvonne McDermott, léachtóir ar an gClár Oidhreachta, alt dar teideal ‘Rosserk Friary: A House of the Franciscan Third Order Regular’ don *Journal of the Galway Archaeological and Historical Society*, Vol. 63 (2011).

- Melanie Zoleck (PhD student in marine area supervised by D Brophy and D McGrath) secured funding under ASSEMBLE (an EU FP7 research infrastructure initiative) to spend one month at the Scottish Association on Marine Science Laboratory in August 2011.

- Publications in the marine area:

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Castlebar Campus

- Yvonne McDermott, lecturer on the Heritage Programme, contributed an article entitled ‘Rosserk Friary: A house of the Franciscan Third Order Regular’ to the *Journal of the Galway Archaeological and Historical Society*, Vol. 63 (2011).

- Foilsiodh alt le Yvonne McDermott, léachtóir i Staidéar Oidhreacha, dar teideal ‘*Killeenbrennan Friary: Flag-ship House of the Franciscan Third Order in Ireland?*’ in Cathair na Mart: Journal of the Westport Historical Society (2012, Vol. 30).
- Ghnóthaigh neach léinn sa 4ú bliain in Oideachas Allamuigh, Sinéad Kelly, an chéad duais dar luach €1,000 i nDuaiseanna Nuálaíochta Neach Léinn 2012 GMIT as a coincheap do chuídeachta tosaithe, seirbhís nuálach teiriúcháin áineasa do dhéagóirí.

- Déirigh go han-mhaith le imeacht ‘*Spiorad na Fiontraíochta*’ a tionóladh i Meán Fómhair ar an gcampas. Bhí beagnach 400 duine i láthair ag an ócáid a raibh taispeántais le feiceáil ó IiBCanna na Gaillimhe agus Chaisleán an Bharraigh. D’oscail an t-uachtaráin an t-imeacht agus ar na haoichainteoirí bhí An Taoiseach agus Séan Gallagher de chuid Dragon’s Den.

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Leitir Fraic

- Chuir an Dr. Patrick Tobin páipéar i láthair ar Thionscal Troscáin agus Táirgí Adhmaid na hÉireann ag comhdháil sa Chabhán i mí na Samhna - *Normal Business Restored: Reviving the Border Region Economy in an era of peace, devolved government and international recession*
- Chuir na léachtóirí Pauline Logue Collins, Kate Dunne agus Angelika Rauch páipéar i láthair ag comhdháil NAIRTL i nDeireadh Fómhair i mBaile Átha Cliath, dar teideal: *The Nest Project: An Innovative Approach to Teacher Training* (cur síos ar thaighde gnímh ar mhonatóireacht piara i gcomhthéacs oilíúna múinteoirí ar an gclár DTE).

An Leabharlann

- Bronnadh an chéim Dochtúir Eolaíochta (DSc) ar an ball foirne ar scor an Dr Elizabeth Gosling ó Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann. Bhronn an a tráchtas in dhá imleabhar ar an leabharlann. Is í an DSc an chálíocht is airde a bhronnann OAÉ. Aitheantas a bhí sa ghradam ar an gcion eolaíoch a thug sí i do ghéinitic mhólíníeach éisc agus sliogéisc thar thréimhse 35 bliain.



An Taoiseach, Enda Kenny mar aon le neacha léinn as Campas Chaisleán an Bharraigh

Taoiseach, Enda Kenny and students of the Castlebar Campus

- Yvonne McDermott, lecturer in Heritage Studies, had an article entitled ‘*Killeenbrennan Friary: Flag-ship house of the Franciscan Third Order in Ireland?*’ published in Cathair na Mart: Journal of the Westport Historical Society (2012, Vol. 30).
- A 4th year Outdoor Education student, Sinead Kelly, won first prize worth €1,000 in the GMIT Students Innovation Awards 2012 for her start-up business concept, an innovative therapeutic recreational service for teenagers.

- A very successful “Spirit of Entrepreneurship” event was held in September at the campus. Nearly 400 people attended the event which included a showcase of exhibitors from the IiBCs in Galway and Castlebar. The president opened the event and guest speakers included the Taoiseach and Sean Gallagher of Dragon’s Den.

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- Dr. Patrick Tobin presented a paper on the Irish Furniture and Wood Products Industry at a conference in Cavan In November - *Normal Business Restored: Reviving the Border Region Economy in an era of peace, devolved government and international recession*
- Lecturers Pauline Logue Collins, Kate Dunne and Angelika Rauch presented a paper at the NAIRTL conference in October in Dublin. Title: *The Nest Project: An Innovative Approach to Teacher Training* (documenting action research on peer mentoring in the context of teacher training in the DTE Programme).

Library

- Retired staff member Dr Elizabeth Gosling was awarded the degree of Doctorate of Science (DSc) from the National University of Ireland. Dr Gosling donated her DSc thesis in two volumes to the library. The DSc is the highest qualification awarded by the NUI. The award is recognition of the scientific contribution she has made in molecular genetics of fish and shellfish over a 35-year period.

IBEC

- Déirigh go maith le haistriú Neosurgical, a dtugann táirge dá gcuid bealach maith nua chun créachtaí Laparascapacha a dhúnadh, ó IiBC go dtí an Pháirc Mhór i nGaillimh. Chruinnigh an chuideachta feistí leighis maoiniú infheistíochta de €1.6m in 2011 agus tháinig méadú ar líon a cuid fostaithe go seisear. D'úsáid Neosurgical dearbháin de chuid Fiontar Eireann chun tástáil agus analís a dhéanamh ag GMedTech and bhí baint aici ag neacha léinn sa blhain dheiridh Innealtóireachta Meicniúla le linn an dá blhain di a bheith san IiBC.
- Cuireadh grúpa nua de Chnuasach APP ar bun idir 4 chlaint-chuideachta de chuid IiBc agus baill foirne as Innealtóireacht Leictreonach agus Matamaitic & Ríomhaireacht. Bhí an chéad seisiún "APP Bash" ar siúl i mí na Nollag 2011 nuair a chuir na claint-chuideachtaí agus neacha léinn GMIT a gcuid táirgí i láthair agus nuair a fuair siad aischtóthú maidir le gnéithe, buntáistí agus inúsáidteacht.
- Rinne ochtar céimithe as gach campas de chuid GMIT freastal ar sheoladh an Chlár Fiontraíochta Céime mar seo a leanas: Leitir Fraic (2), Caisleán an Bharraigh (1) agus Gaillimh (5). Faigheann na rannpháirtithe a n-éiríonn leo spás deisce 6 mhí san IiBC chomh maith le sraith modúl & meantóireachta chun cudiú leo a gcuid fiontar nua a thráchtálú.
- Chuaigh trí chlaint nua leis an IiBC:
Hillwalk Tours: Turasanna Féin-Treoraithe – Éire & Albain
XYEA Ltd: Bogearrá Rétigh Riosca & Chomhlíonta
Trick Media: Forbairt AIP (Neach Léinn de chuid GMIT)
- Chuir 132 tionscadal tosaithe ar fad iarratas isteach chuig na IiBCanna le haghaidh Chlár New Frontiers de chuid Fiontar Éireann. Roghnaodh 62 rannpháirtí chun páirt a ghlacadh ar chlár sé seachtaine (Céim 1 Roghnaodh 12 rannpháirtí (as 53 iarratasóir) don Chlár 6 mhí Céim 2 a seoladh i lár Meithimh.
- Tá an chlaint-chuideachta de chuid IiBC na Gaillimhe, NeoSurgical, a dhéanann táirgí nuálacha a fhorbairt le haghaidh máinliachta Laparascapaí Boilg, ag ullmhú do sheoladh tráchtála agus í i mbun compháirtithe a cheapadh sna SA, san Eoraip, sa Mheánoirthear agus san Afráic Cheap an chuideachta, a fuair €1.6m de mhaoiniú infheistíochta, Steripack mar a gcéad déantóir trealamh chun dlús a chur leis an mbealach chun an mhargaidh. Bhí NeoSurgical sa IiBC ar feadh dhá blhain agus méadú tagtha uirthi go dtí dhá aonad goir, ar a n-áirítear spás R&D, agus bhain sí leas as GMedtech le haghaidh saoráidí tástála agus forbartha, chomh maith le neacha léinn as an mbláin dheiridh den Innealtóireachta Mheicniúil d'obair tionscadail.

IBEC

- Neosurgical, whose product NeoClose offers a new superior method of closing Laparoscopic wounds, has successfully transitioned from the IiBC to Parkmore in Galway. The medical device company raised €1.6m investment funding in 2011 and has grown to 6 employees. Neosurgical utilised Enterprise Ireland vouchers to carry out testing and analysis at GMedTech and was engaged with final year Mechanical Engineering students during its 2 year occupancy of the IiBC.
- A new APP Cluster group was set up between 4 IiBC client companies and staff from Electronic Engineering and Maths & Computing. The first "APP Bash" session took place in December 2011 where the client companies and GMIT students presented APP products and received feedback on features, benefits and usability.
- Eight GMIT graduates attended the launch of the Graduate Entrepreneurship Programme from all campuses as follows: Letterfrack (2), Castlebar (1) and Galway (5). Successful participants receive 6 months desk space in the IiBC along with a series of modules & mentoring to help commercialise their new enterprises.
- Three new clients joined the IiBC:
Hillwalk Tours: Self-Guided Hiking Tours – Ireland & Scotland
XYEA Ltd: Risk & Compliance Software Solutions
Trick Media: App Development (GMIT student)
- A total of 132 start-up projects applied to the IiBCs for the Enterprise Ireland funded New Frontiers Programme. 62 participants were selected to participate on a six- week programme (Phase 1). 12 participants were selected (from the 53 applicants) for the 6 month Phase 2 Programme which was launched in mid June.
- IiBC Galway client company NeoSurgical which develops innovative products for Laparoscopic Abdominal surgery, is preparing for a commercial launch as it appoints partners in the USA, Europe, Middle East & Africa. The company, which secured €1.6m investment funding in 2011, appointed Steripack as their original equipment manufacturer to accelerate the route to market. NeoSurgical was 2 years in the IiBC and had expanded to 2 incubation units including an R&D space and utilised GMedtech for testing & development facilities, along with final year Mechanical Engineering students for project work.

Rannpháirtíocht sa Phobal 4.4

Tá ceithre sprioc ag an bPiléar Rannpháirtíocht sa Phobal agus trí phríomhstraiteis déag. Is í a straitéis uileghabhálach ná eagraíocht a chruthú a bhreathnaíonn amach agus atá ag obair leis an bpobal.

Is iad ceithre sprioc an Philéar do Rannpháirtíocht sa Phobal ná:

1. A chur ar chumas na neach léinn a gcuid inniúlachtaí a fhorbairt trí rannpháirtíocht níos leithne.
2. Cur le dea-bhail shóisialta, chultúrtha agus eacnamaíoch an phobail a ndéanann an Institiúid freastal air
3. An sprioc náisiúnta don rannpháirtíocht san ardoideachas a bhaint amach agus tagairt ar leith don oideachas ar feadh an tsaoil agus don chochóirt faoi ghannionadaíocht.
4. Comhoibriú leis an tionscláiocht, na gairmeacha agus le pobail eile chun ábharthacht agus cúrsaíocht cláir a chinntiú.

Ar na príomhrudaí a baineadh amach faoin sprioc seo don bhliain acadúil 2011/12 tá:

A chur ar chumas na neach léinn a gcuid inniúlachtaí a fhorbairt trí rannpháirtíocht níos leithne

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Cur le lón agus scóip na n-intéirneachtaí/socrúchán.
2. Tionscadail na bliana deiridh a bhaineann le fadhbanna/dúshláin ar iarraidh ón bpobal móra a fhorbairt.
3. Polasaí a fhorbairt chun an rannpháirtíocht sa phobal a athint agus a chreidiúnú.

Cur le dea-bhail shóisialta, chultúrtha agus eacnamaíoch an phobail a ndéanann an Institiúid freastal air

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Tacú le baill foirne agus iad ag tabhairt faoi thionscadail a bhfuil meas ag an bpobal orthu.
2. Polasaithe agus cleachtais eiticiúla a chur i bhfeidhm.
3. Bheith i mbun cleachtas atá freagrach ó thaobh an chomhshaoil de.
4. Dea-chaidreamh lenár gcomharsana ar gach campas a chur chun cinn.

Community Engagement 4.4

The Community Engagement Pillar of the Strategic Plan has four objectives and thirteen key strategies. Its overarching strategy is to create an outward facing organisation working with the community.

The four objectives of the Community Engagement Pillars:

1. Enable students to develop their capabilities through wider engagement
2. Contribute to the social, cultural and economic well being of the communities served by the Institute.
3. Meet the national target for participation in higher education with particular reference to life-long learning and under-represented cohorts.
4. Collaborate with industry, professions and other communities ensuring programme relevance and currency.

Key achievements under this pillar for the 2011/12 academic year include:

Enable students to develop their capabilities through wider engagement

Key Strategies:

1. Increase the number and scope of student internships/placements.
2. Develop final year projects around problems/challenges solicited from the wider community.
3. Develop a policy to recognise and accredit civic engagement.

Contribute to the social, cultural and economic well being of the communities served by the Institute.

Key Strategies:

1. Support staff in undertaking projects valued by the community.
2. Implement ethical policies and practices.
3. Engage in environmentally responsible practices.
4. Promote positive relations with our neighbours at all campuses.

An sprioc náisiúnta don rannpháirtíocht san ardoideachas a bhaint amach agus tagairt ar leith don oideachas ar feadh an tsaoil agus don chohóirt faoi ghannionadaíocht.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Comhaontais a chruthú le soláthraithe roghnaithe breisoideachais d'fhonn aistriú agus dul chun cinn a bheith gan uaim.
2. Caidreamh cómhalartach tairbheach a fhorbairt le alumni na hInstitiúide.
3. Aitheantas a chinntíú do alumni na hInstitiúide agus dá gcuid éacthaí.
4. Rochtaí ag pobail agus eagraíochtaí ar shaoráidí na hInstitiúide a fheabhsú.

Comhoibriú leis an tionsclaíocht, na gairmeacha agus le pobail eile chun ábharthacht agus cursaíocht cláir a chinntíú

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Eiseamláirí éifeachtacha a fhorbairt do chomhoibriú leis an tionsclaíocht agus leis an bpobal.
2. Rannpháirtíocht neacha léinn agus baill foirne a chur chun cinn le heagraíochtaí pobail agus gnó atá leathanbhunaithe.
- CHUIR GMIT 84 ÁIT AR FÁIL SAOR IN AISCE AR CHLÁIR DO DHAOINE DÍFHOSTAITHE
Sheol an tUdarás um Ard-Oideachas suas le 20 áit ar chláir chéime agus 64 áit ar chláir Ardteastais faoi thionscnamh ‘Springboard’ de chuid an Rialtais

Bhí na háiteanna sin ann do dhaoine a chaill a gcuid jabanna nó a bhí iomarcach agus a d'fhéadfadh, le cabhair uas-scileála, gantannas reatha jabanna nó ganntanas sa todhchaí a lónadh.

Gnó

- Fáilte chroíúil roimh an Uachtaráin
Chuir neacha léinn agus baill foirne fáilte chroíúil roimh an Uachtaráin Micheál D Ó hUiginn agus a bhean Sabina nuair a thug sé cuairt ar GMIT ar cuireadh ó neacha léinn na chéad bhliana de chuid Chórás Dlí na hÉireann.

DBa iad a d'eagraigh an chuairt ná a neacha léinn agus a gcuid léachtóirí, Deirdre McHugh atá sa phictiúr mar aon le Joe O'Connor, Uachtaráin Aontas na Neach Léinn, agus Michael Hannon, Cláraitheoir GMIT.

Meet the national target for participation in higher education with particular reference to life-long learning and under-represented cohorts.

Key Strategies:

1. Build alliances with selected further education providers in order to make transfer and progression seamless.
2. Develop reciprocally beneficial relationships with the institute's alumni.
3. Ensure recognition for the institutes alumni and their achievements.
4. Improve access by communities and organisations to GMIT facilities.

Collaborate with industry, professions and other communities ensuring programme relevance and currency.

Key Strategies:

1. Develop effective models for industry and community collaboration.
2. Promote student and staff engagement with a broad based community and business organisations.
- **GMIT PROVIDED 84 FREE PROGRAMME PLACES FOR THE UNEMPLOYED**

Up to 20 places on degree programmes and 64 places on Higher Certificate programmes under the Government's jobs initiative “Springboard” was launched by the Higher Education Authority (HEA).

The places were for people who had lost their jobs or were made redundant and who, with some up-skilling, could fill current or future job shortages.

Business

- **Rousing welcome for President**
GMIT students and staff gave a rousing welcome to President Michael D Higgins and his wife Sabina when he visited GMIT in Oct at the invitation of first year students of Irish Legal Systems.



The visit was organised by the students and their lecturers Deirdre McHugh and Joe Farrell, pictured, with Joe O'Connor, SU President, and Michael Hannon, GMIT Registrar.

- Rinne an Scoil Ghnó comhurraíocht ar chomhdháil le Comhar Creidmheasa Naomh Columbán, Baile Bán, dar teideal “*Sustaining the Unique Identity of the Credit Union Movement: Challenges and Opportunities*”, a óstaíodh in GMIT i Meán Fómhair 2011.
- Ghlac neacha léinn as rang na bainistíochta imeachtaí páirt sna himeachtaí seo a leanas:
 - Earcaíodh breis is 100 oibrí deonach le haghaidh an Rás Aigéin Volvo, rud a chuir giondar ar Mary Jo Parker ó ‘*Let's do it Global*’.
 - An Seo Faisin Cuir Tú Féin In Iúl a reáchtáladh in Óstán Radisson Blu do Cope na Gaillimhe. Rinne na neacha léinn neacha léinn de chuid GMIT a earcú agus a thraenáil mar chuspaí, agus d'oibrigh siad le dearthóirí faisin as GTI, chomh maith le siopaí miondíola mórélimh i gCathair na Gaillimhe. Bhronn na neacha léinn seic ar Fintan Maher as Cope na Gaillimhe ar €1,185.
 - Chuidigh na neacha léinn a dhéanann an modúl rannpháirtíochta sa phobal le CAMARA chun feasacht a mhéadú laistigh de GMIT.
 - D'eagraigh triúr iarneach léinn ón gclár Baitsiléir Gnó crannchur don charthanais Croí Leanaí na hÉireann (www.heartchildren.ie) in AibreánBailíodh beagnach €1,000.
- Chuir an Scoil Ghnó fáilte roimh an Dr Gurram Gopal mar Scoláire Cuairte Fulbright don bhliain acadúil 2011/2012. Bhí an Dr Gopal ina Ollamh Taca in Elmhurst College, Chicago agus ina láchtóir i réimsí na margáiochta, na bainistíochta branda agus i mbainistíocht an tslabhra soláthair.
- Bhailigh neacha léinn GMIT beagnach €8,000 do charthanais áitiúla le míonna anuas as raon gníomhaíochtaí bailithe airgid Sa phictiúr tá neacha léinn BB i mBainistíocht Imeachtaí ón Scoil Ghnó agus iad ag bronnadh seiceanna le haghaidh dhá charthanais áitiúla ar leith: €1,726 ar Alan Kerins don

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- The School of Business co-sponsored a conference with Saint Columbas Credit Union, Ballybane, entitled “*Sustaining the Unique Identity of the Credit Union Movement: Challenges and Opportunities*”, which was hosted in GMIT in September 2011.
- Students from the event management class participated in the following events:
 - Over 100 volunteers were recruited to the Volvo Ocean Race to the delight of Mary Jo Parker from ‘*Let's do it Global*’.
 - Express Yourself Fashion Show held in March in the Radisson Blu Hotel for Cope Galway. The students recruited and trained GMIT students as models, and worked with fashion designers from GTI as well as popular retail outlets in Galway City. The students presented a cheque to Fintan Maher from Cope Galway for €1,185.
 - Business students taking the civic engagement module assisted CAMARA raise awareness within GMIT.
 - Three former civic engagement students from the Bachelor of Business Honours programme organised a raffle for the charity Heart Children Ireland (www.heartchildren.ie) in April. The total amount collected was close to €1,000.
- The School of Business welcomed Dr Gurram Gopal as a Fulbright Visiting Scholar for the 2011/2012 academic year. Dr Gopal was an Adjunct Professor from Elmhurst College, Chicago and lectured in the areas of marketing, brand management and supply chain management.
- GMIT students raised almost €8,000 for local charities in recent months from a range of fund-raising activities. Pictured are Bachelor of Business in Event Management students from the School of Business presenting cheques



Fhundúireacht Afraiceach dá chuid (neacha léinn sna léinte buí), agus agus €3,044 ar Fintan Maher de chuid COPE na Gaillimhe (neacha léinn sna léinte bána).

Bhronn an tríú grúpa (ar dheis) as an gclár bliana ‘Lántumadh Cócaireachta’ de chuid an Scoil Óstáin beagnach €3,000 ar Marie Brennan agus Pauline Murphy.



to two separate local charities; €1,726 to Alan Kerins for his African Foundation (students in yellow shirts), and €3,044 to Fintan Maher of COPE Galway (students in white shirts).

A third group of Students (left) from the Hotel School’s one-year “Total Immersion” Chefs programme presented almost €3,000 to Marie Brennan and Pauline Murphy.

Innealtóireacht

- Bhronn Cumann Innealtóireachta GMIT seic €600 ar Ospis na Gaillimhe. Fáltais a bhí ann ó imeachtaí amhail Damhsa na Innealtóiri, tráth na gceist boird agus comórtas sacair.
- Modúl Roghnach Rannpháirtiocht sa Phobal: Ghlac ochtar neach léinn as Blaíain 2 den Innealtóireacht Foirgníochta & Sibhialta páirt i dtionscadal tras-disciplíneach mar chuid de mhodúl a threoraidh Niamh Ward ag Scoil Radharc an Locha, sa Rinn Mhór. Rinne neacha léinn as réimse disciplíní de chuid na Teicneolaíochta Ailtireachta, na hInnealtóireachta Sibhialta, na Bainistíochta Foirgníochta agus Suirbhéireachta Cainníochta foirne chun obair a dhéanamh ar an scoil trí thionscadail amhail uasghrádú éadaí agus struchtúrtha, agus Sláinte & Sábháilteach.
- Cumann na Suirbhéirí Caire in Éirinn (SCSI), Réigiún an Iarthair: Thug Cumann na Suirbhéirí Caire in Éirinn cur i láthair ar ‘Eiticí agus Caighdeáin Ghairmiúla’ do neacha léinn de chuid na Roinne Innealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta agus do chomhaltaí réigiún an Iarthair de SCSI. D'eagraigh Tomás Murphy, léachtóir in Eacnamaíocht Foirgníochta agus Suirbhéireacht Chainníochta é sin.
- D'óstaigh GMIT Fóram Oideachasóirí Teicneolaíochta Ailtireachta na hÉireann (IATEF) i bhFeabhra agus chuir fáilte roimh oideachasóirí Teicneolaíochta Ailtireachta as CIT, IT Cheatharlach, DIT, LYIT agus WIT.
- I gcomhar leis an Institiúid Chairte Foirgníochta, d'óstaigh GMIT an dara Comhdháil Bhliantúil Idirnáisiúnta Bainistíochta Foirgníochta i mí an Mhárta.
- Shocraigh grúpa neach léinn ó Chumann Innealtóireachta GMIT obair dheonach péinteála a dhéanamh ar chlós súgartha i mBaile Bán trí Bhráithre na Carthanachta, an Rinn Mhór, mar árachóir atá faofa ag GMIT

Engineering

- GMIT Engineering Society presented a cheque for €600 to Galway Hospice in December. The proceeds were from events such as the Engineers Ball, a table quiz and soccer tournament.
- Civic Engagement Elective: Eight Year 2 Building & Civil Engineering students engaged in a cross disciplinary project at the Lake View School in Renmore as part of a module lead by Niamh Ward. Students from Architectural Technology, Civil Engineering, Construction Management and Quantity Surveying discipline areas formed teams to work on the school through projects which include façade and structural upgrade, and Health & Safety.
- Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland (SCSI) Western Region: A presentation was made by the Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland on ‘Professional Ethics and Standards’ for Department of Building & Civil Engineering students and Western region members of SCSI. This was arranged through Tomás Murphy Lecturer in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying.
- GMIT hosted the Irish Architectural Technology Educators’ Forum (IATEF) in February and welcomed Architectural Technologist educators from CIT, IT Carlow, DIT LYIT and WIT.
- GMIT, in conjunction with the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB), hosted the second Annual International Construction Management Conference in March.
- A group of student volunteers from the GMIT Engineering Society arranged to carry out some volunteer painting work to the playground in Ballybane through the Brothers of Charity Renmore, as approved by GMIT Insurers.

- Tá tionscnamh CE beartaithe ar Scratch (teanga ríomhchláraithe) ag Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Leictreonaice & Leictrí, faoina múinfidh neacha léinn de chuid GMIT an teanga do dhaltaí ranganna a cúig agus a sé i scoileanna náisiúnta. Beidh dhá scoil phíolótacha ann i mbliana. Tá an Dr Brendan Smith de chuid DERI in NUIG ag tacú leis an tionscnamh. Beidh Scratch agus an clár STEPS mar an obair fhór-rochtana do dhaltaí bunscoileanna agus neacha léinn.
- Cuireadh túis le Socrúchán Oibre mar chuid den B.Eng (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire & Leictreonaice forlónntach. Tá áiteanna á nglacadh ag na neacha léinn in Intel, Cisco, Analog Devices, Valeo, Ericsson, Avaya agus Danutech.

Eolaíocht

- Gnóthaigh GMIT an chéad duais sa chatagóir aonair den chéad chomórtas aip i nGaillimh, CodeNinja, arna dhearadh ag gnólachtaí agus lucht acadúil chun neacha léinn a oiliúint agus a spreagadh le bheith cruthaitheach agus a gcuid smaointe bunaithe ar an teicneolaíocht a chothú.
- Ghnóthaigh Cathal Mac Donnacha, neach léinn ar an BSc (Onóracha) sa chlár Forbartha Bógearraí iPad as a aip iSpeak, a ligéann do dhaointe a bhfuil teangacha dúchasacha difriúla acu cumarsáid a dhéanamh le chéile trí fheidhmchláir fóin shoghluaiste Windows 7.
- Reáchtáil Institiúid na Fisice seimineár do mhúinteoirí Fisice in GMIT i Meán Fómhair.
- Bhí GMIT le feiceáil ar “*Monty’s Great Irish Escape*”, a thugann cuntas ar shaoire eolaí mara Monty Hall i gConamara.
- Ghlac GMIT páirt i seastán IiT ag taispeántas Eolaí Óg BT le déanaí i mBaile Átha Cliath.
- Dóstáigh GMIT an 26ú Comhdháil den Chumann Céticeach ó 24-28 Márta ina raibh ceardlanna in GMIT agus an chomhdháil iomlán in Óstán Galway Bay. Chláraigh 500 eolaí as gach cearn den domhan don chomhdháil, rud a rinne di an cruinniú is mó eolaithe a dhéanann speisialtacht i mamaígh mara (i.e. míolta móra agus deilfeanna) san Eoraip.
- Dóstáigh GMIT Comórtas bliantúil Eurachem, comórtas náisiúnta d’eoilaithe analíseacha as IiT agus ollscoileanna, i mí an Mhárta

- The Department of Electronics & Electrical Engineering has planned a CE initiative on Scratch (a programming language) where GMIT students will teach the language to 5th and 6th class students in national schools. Two schools will form the pilot for the project this year. The initiative in Galway is championed by Dr. Brendan Smith of DERI of NUIG. Scratch will join the STEPS programme in forming the School of Engineering’s outreach to primary schools and students
- Work Placement commenced as part of the add-on B.Eng (Hons) Computer & Electronic Engineering with students taking up places in Intel, Cisco, Analog Devices, Valeo, Ericsson, Avaya and Danutech.

Science

- GMIT won first prize in the individual category of Galway’s first app competition, CodeNinja, designed by local businesses and academics to train and encourage students to be creative in the cultivation of their own technology-based ideas.
- Cathal Mac Donnacha a student on the BSc (Hons) in Software Development programme, won an iPad for his app ‘iSpeak’ which allows people with differing native languages to communicate with each other through a Windows Phone 7 mobile application.
- The Institute of Physics held a seminar for Physic teachers in GMIT in September.
- GMIT featured on “*Monty’s Great Irish Escape*”, which chronicles marine scientist Monty Hall’s sojourn in Connemara.
- GMIT participated in the IOT stand at the recent BT Young Scientists exhibition in Dublin.
- GMIT hosted the 26th Conference of the Cetacean society from 24-28 March with workshops in GMIT and the full conference in the Galway Bay Hotel. Over 500 scientists from all over the world registered for the conference making it the biggest gathering of scientists specialising in marine mammals (e.g. whales and dolphins) in Europe.



Cathal Mac Donnacha

An Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaíon

- Reáchtáladh taispeántas Cré Chomhaimseartha i gCluain Mhuire, dar teideal 3x2, a léirigh saothar seisear ealaíontóirí ceirmeacha, ar a n-áirítear triúr céimithe de chuid an BA i Mínealaín. Rinne Kate Howard agus Rob D'Eath, Léachtóir i gCeirmeacht Mínealaíne, comhchoimeád ar an taispeántas. Bhí léacht leis na healaíontóirí Claire Curneen agus Andrew Livingstone san áireamh sa chlár i mí na Samhna.
- D'oscail an Dr. Gavin Murphy. Léachtóir i Stair na hEalaíne, taispeántas leabhar as bailiúchán phríobháideacha, Irisí de Litreacha-Trádála Clónna agus Ealaín an leabhair Phrontáilte i Láirionad Ealaíon Halla an Lín, Caisleán an Bharraigh, i mí na Samhna. Rinne an Dr John Mulloy, Léachtóir i dTeoiric na Léirmheastóireachta, agus Fergus Kelly an taispeántas a choimeád
- Thug John Tunney, Léachtóir i Staidéar Oidhreachta, dhá léacht le déanaí a raibh tinreamh maith orthu:
 - (a) *Taking Donegal's Local Tradition to a Global audience: Paddy Tunney and the Irish Music Revival of the 1950s*. Bhí an léacht mar chuid de Choicís Chultúrtha Dhún na nGall.
 - (b) *"Native and Planters in Manorcunningham, the Laggan and Donegal"* – an Léacht Ráithiuil de chuid Chumann Staire Chluainín Uí Ruairc agus a Cheantair
- Thiomsaigh Sandra Vita Ann Minchin, céimí sa BA i Mínealaín, tionscadal neamhghnách ealaíne: Tá craiceann óna droim á dhíol aici. Is é is teideal don tionscadail '*Ars Longa, Vita Brevis*'. Rinne Sandra macasamhail den sárshaothar ón 17ú haois '*Próca Bláthanna*' leis an ealaíontóir Ollannach Jan Davidz de Heem, a chur ar a droim i bhfoirm tatú. Cuirfear an tatú ar ceant agus beidh úinéireacht air ag an tairgeoir rathúil nuair a gheobhaidh Sandra bás. Is Ealaíontóir Cónaithí Sandra ag Siamsa Tíre, Trá Lí faoi láthair.
- Reáchtáil Marie Dollard agus Tina Hopp, céimithe sa BA i Mínealaín 2009, taispeántas *Sensory Threshold*, sa Dánlann Ealaíne 126 Art, Gaillimh le linn Meán Fómhair.
- Roghnaíodh dhá phéintéireacht le Maeve Curtis, céimíBA i Mínealaín i bPéinteireacht *Hidden* agus *Fixing the Shadows* don Threadneedle Prize Exhibition i Londain.

- GMIT hosted the annual Eurachem Competition, a national competition for analytical scientists from IoTs and universities, in March.

College of Tourism & Arts

- In Cluain Mhuire an exhibition was held on Contemporary Clay, titled 3x2, showing the work of six ceramic artists, including three graduates of the BA Fine Art. The exhibition was co-curated by Kate Howard and Rob D'Eath, Lecturer in Fine Art Ceramics. The programme included a lecture by artists Claire Curneen and Andrew Livingstone in November.
- Dr Gavin Murphy, Lecturer in Art History, opened an exhibition of books from private local collections, Volumes of Character-trading types and the art of the printed book, in the Linenhall Arts Centre, Castlebar, in November. The exhibition was curated by Dr John Mulloy, Lecturer in Critical Theory, and Fergus Kelly.
- John Tunney, Lecturer in Heritage Studies, gave two very well attended public lectures recently:
 - (a) *Taking Donegal's Local Tradition to a Global audience: Paddy Tunney and the Irish Music Revival of the 1950s*. The talk was part of the Donegal Culture Fortnight.
 - (b) *"Native and Planters in Manorcunningham, the Laggan and Donegal"* - the Quarterly Lecture of the Manorcunningham and District Historical Society.
- Sandra Vita Ann Minchin, a graduate of the BA in Fine Art, put together an unusual art project: She is selling the skin off her back. The project was titled '*Ars Longa, Vita Brevis*'. Sandra had the 17th century masterpiece '*Vase of Flowers*' by Dutch artist Jan Van Davidz de Heem reproduced on her back in the form of a tattoo. The tattoo will be auctioned and become the property of the successful bidder upon Sandra's death. Sandra, is currently Artist-in-Residence at Siamsa Tíre, Tralee.
- Marie Dollard and Tina Hopp, BA in Fine Art graduates 2009, held an exhibition, *Sensory Threshold*, in the 126 Art Gallery, Queen St, Galway, during September.
- Maeve Curtis, a BA in Fine Art graduate of Painting, had two paintings *Hidden* and *Fixing the Shadows* selected for the Threadneedle Prize Exhibition in London.

Sa phictiúr tá C-D: l-r: Pierce Purcell, Coiste Bailiúchan Airgid na mBád Tarrthála agus neach léinn gnó GMIT Noel Loughnane, Scoil Óstáin, Jamie Mullen, neach léinn Óstáin, áit Noone, Ceann na Scoile Óstáin, Anne McInerney agus Sharon Langan, Coiste Bailiúchán Airgid do na Báid Tarrthála os comhair macasamhail den Titanic a rinne an Léachtóir Mary Reid agus neacha léinn Óstáin. as reoán siúcra.



Pictured Pictured, l-r: Pierce Purcell, Lifeboat Fund-raising Committee and GMIT Business student, Noel Loughnane, Hotel School, Jamie Mullen, Hotel student, Cáit Noone, Head of Hotel School, and Anne McInerney and Sharon Langan, Lifeboat Fundraising Committee, in front of the icing sugar Titanic replica made by lecturer Mary Reid and hotel students.

- Sheol Let's do it Galway an 'Comhaireamh Síos Blíana d'Fhoirne Rás Aigein Volvo' (a bheidh ag teacht go Gaillimh ar 4ú Iúil. Ar cheithre théama an imeachta tá Nuálaíocht, Muir, Glas agus Bia. Iarradh ar Cháit Noone téama an bhia a sheoladh agus a bheith ina Cathaoirleach ar an nGrúpa Gnímh Bia. Rinne an grúpa seo maoirseacht ar eagrú an Taispeántais Dhomhana Bia i Sráidbhaile an Ráis.
- Reáchtáil an Scoil Óstáin dinnéar 11 chúrsa carbhat dubh cuimhneacháin a rinne macasamhlú ar an mbéile a riadar ar na haionna sa seomra bia céad ghrád ar an Titanic. D'éirigh go hiontach leis an ócaid agus tugadh an fáltas do Bhád Tarrthála RNLI na Gaillimhe.
- Reáchtáil Eurotoques (cumann Eorpach na gcócairí gairmiúla) taispeántas cócaireachta in Amharclann Dem sa Scoil Óstáin. Ba é téama an taispeántais ná 'Foraging along the West Coast of Ireland' agus ba iad a thug é ná beirt chócairí/úinéirí aitheanta - Enda McAvoy as Aniar, an bhialann is déanaí a osclaíodh i nGaillimh, agus JP McMahon, úinéir CAVA i nGaillimh.
- Tá Skal na Gaillimhe ina bhall den eagraíocht dhomhanda turasóireachta Skal. Thug Dan Murphy Uas, BGan Galway Bay Hotel agus Uachtaran Skal na Gaillimhe, cuairt ar an gcoláiste chun labhairt le neacha léinn na bliana deiridh faoi na buntáistí a bhaineann le bheith i do bhall de Skal. Thairg an eagraíocht ballraíocht saor in aisce do na neacha léinn a bheadh ag baint céime amach d'fhonn ardán a thabhairt dóibh bualadh le ceannairí áitiúla an tionscail agus lónrú a dhéanamh maidir lena bhforbairt ghairmiúil phearsanta.
- Labhair Cumann na gCúramóirí, i gcomhar le FSS na Gaillimhe, leis an Scoil féachaint le clár cócaireachta neamhchreidiúnaithe a thairiscint do chúramóirí baile, agus béim ar leith ar riachtanais chothaithe.

- Let's do it Galway launched the 'One Year Countdown to the Volvo Ocean Race' teams arriving in Galway on July 4th. The four themes of the event include Innovation, Marine, Green and Food. Cáit Noone was invited to launch the food theme was asked to Chair the Food Action Group. This group oversaw the organisation of the Global Food Showcase in the Race Village.
- The Hotel School hosted an 11-course black tie commemorative dinner replicating the meal served to guests in the first class dining room on the Titanic. The event was hugely successful and proceeds went to Galway RNLI Lifeboat.
- Eurotoques (the European association of chefs and culinary professionals) held a culinary demonstration in the Hotel School Dem Theater. The theme of the demonstration was 'Foraging along the West Coast of Ireland' and was delivered by two local well known chef/proprietors – Enda McAvoy from Aniar, the latest restaurant to open in Galway and JP McMahon, owner of CAVA in Galway.
- Skal Galway is a member of the world wide SKAL Tourism organisation. Mr Dan Murphy, GM of the Galway Bay Hotel and President of SKAL Galway visited the college to talk to final year students on the benefits of joining SKAL. The organisation offered all Hotel School graduating students free membership in order to provide a platform for students to meet local industry leaders and network in terms of their personal career development.
- The Carers Association, in conjunction with the HSE in Galway, approached the School with a view to developing and offering a non-accredited cookery programme for home carers, with particular emphasis on nutrition and dietary needs.

- Ceapadh an Céimí Catherine Toolan ina Stiúrthóir Bainistíochta ar Aramark Londain, áit a bheidh sí i gceannas ar Roinn an Fháilteachais do na Cluichí Oilimpeacha i Londain. Rinne Catherine Oilimpeacha Beijing a bhainistiú go rathúil in 2008.
- Tharla imeacht ceardlainne arna comheagrú ag Deirdre O'Mahony, Léachtóir i bpéintéireacht, mar ionadaí GMIT ar Tulca, agus Scoil Huston NUIG, leis an ealaíontóir Frances Whitehead, i Scoil Scannáin agus Meán Digiteach NUIG i mí na Samhna 2011. Tá sraith tionscnamh pobail forbartha ag Whitehead ar a n-áirítear an tionscadal *The Embedded Artist* leis an *City of Chicago Innovation Program*, agus an tionscnamh talmhaíochta uirbí le Cathair Lima, Peru. Cuimsithe sna rannpháirtithe sa cheardlann beidh neacha léinn de chuid MA NUIG i bpolasáí agus Cleachtas Ealaíon, neacha léinn MA i dTacaíocht agus Gníomhachas Polasaí, neacha léinn i nDearadh agus Scannán de chuid GMIT agus neacha léinn as Coláiste Ealaíne na Boirne.
- Tháinig roinnt neach léinn ó SAM, an Fhraing, an Spáinn agus an Bhulgáir chun cláir sna Daonnachtaí a dhéanamh. Is í scoláire Robert Emmet don bhliain acadúil seo ná Jasmine Petrie as North Central College, Michigan. Chuaigh cíugear neach léinn de chuid na nDaonnachtaí thar sáile, go dtí an Ghearmáin, SAM, agus an Spáinn.
- Graduate Catherine Toolan was appointed Managing Director of Aramark London where she will lead the London Olympics Hospitality Division. Catherine successfully managed the Beijing Olympics in 2008.
- A workshop event organised jointly by Deirdre O'Mahony, Lecturer in Painting, as GMIT representative on Tulca, and the NUIG Huston School with the artist, Frances Whitehead, took place in the NUI Galway Huston School of Film and Digital Media in November 2011. Whitehead has developed a series of civic initiatives including *The Embedded Artist Project* with the *City of Chicago Innovation Program*, and an urban agriculture initiative with the Municipality of Lima, Peru. Participants in the workshop will include students of the NUI Galway Arts Policy and Practice MA, Public Advocacy and Activism MA students, Art, Design and Film students from GMIT and the students from the Burren College of Art.
- A number of exchange students arrived from the US, France, Spain and Bulgaria, to pursue programmes in Humanities. The Robert Emmet scholar for this academic year is Jasmine Petrie from North Central College, Michigan. Five Humanities students went abroad, to Germany, the US and Spain.

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Campus Chaisleán an Bharraigh

- D'íarr Innealtóirí Éireann ar Mhairéad Ludden meantóireacht a dhéanamh i réigiún Chaisleán an Bharraigh faoina gClár do Lucht Gairmeacha na Todhchaí.
- Rinne an clár Ardán Pobail agus Staidéar Sóisialta Feidhmeach seimineár poiblí leis an Athair Micheál McGreil a eagrú faoina leabhar nua Pluralism & Diversity in Ireland.
- D'oscail an tAthair Micheál McGreil taispeántas fótaghrafach agus ealaíne dar teideal '*Poverty and Me*' arna eagrú ag Intercultural Action Caisleán an Bharraigh ag Campus Chaisleán an Bharraigh.

Castlebar Campus

- Mairead Ludden, lecturer on the Construction Programme, was asked by Engineers Ireland to mentor in the Castlebar region under their Future Professionals Programme.
- The Community Platform and Applied Social studies programme, jointly organised a public seminar by Fr Michéal Mac Greil on his new book Pluralism & Diversity in Ireland.
- A photographic and art exhibition titled "*Poverty and Me*" organized by Castlebar Intercultural Action was officially opened at GMIT Castlebar Campus by Fr Micheál Mac Gréil.

*Clé go Deas: Baill foirne
GMIT Linda Gilchrest,
Paula Cannon, Valerie
Madden (eagraí), Lorna
Moynihan, Suzanne
O'Gorman, Sharon
Fitzpatrick, Cancer Care
West, Paula Melady,
Jennifer Duffy agus
Mena Costello. As láthair
ón bpictiúr tá Evelyn
Robinson, Ann Robinson,
Marie Robinson, Marie
Maher, Debbie Molloy
agus Susan Carolan.*



Left to Right; GMIT staff Linda Gilchrest, Paula Cannon, Valerie Madden (organiser), Lorna Moynihan, Suzanne O'Gorman, Sharon Fitzpatrick, Cancer Care West; Paula Melady, Jennifer Duffy and Mena Costello. Missing from the picture are Evelyn Robinson, Ann Robinson, Marie Maher, Debbie Molloy and Susan Carolan.

- Bhronn GMIT seic ar €3,605 ar Cancer Care West, a bhailligh baill foirne i gcampas na Gaillimhe a rith i Mion-Mharatón Bhaile Átha Cliath.
- Thug na Coistí Glasá Campais as IT Dhún Dealgan agus It Shligigh cuairt ar Champs Chaisleán an Bharraigh in Iúl agus Lúnasa chun plé a dhéanamh ar an bpróiseas a bhaineann leis an mbratach ghlas a fháil. Os rud é gurb í GMIT Chaisleán an Bharraigh an chéad IT chun stádas mar Bhratach Ghlas a fháil, bhí fonn ar na hIiT eile foghlaim ó eispéaras Chaisleán an Bharraigh.
- Cuireadh Campas Chaisleán an Bharraigh ar an liosta gearr le haghaidh Duaiseanna Cairdiúil don Todhchaí mar Champs Glas de chuid An Taisce agus as stádas na Brataí Glaise a bhaint amach. Is clár oideachasúil tomholtóra é Cairdiúil don Todhchaí, lena dtacaíonn príomh-shaineolaithe inbhuanaitheachta, a bhfuil mar aidhm aige daoine a spreagadh agus a chumasú ar fud na tíre chun cuidiú le bealach maireachtála níos inbhuaire a bhaint amach.
- Mar chuid de thionscnamh Seirbhíse Foghlama, rinne neacha léinn as an tríú bliain in oideachas allamuigh clár Eolaíochta dhá lá a dhearadh agus a sheachadadh do Scoil Raifteirí. bunscoil áitiúil i gCaisleán an Bharraigh. D'éascaigh na neacha léinn le clár cuimsitheach oideachais allamuigh a sheachadadh do rannpháirtithe le fadhbanna foghlama agus riachtanais speisialta eile.
- Rinne John Gately, Roinn na nEolaíochtaí Altranais & Sláinte, ionadaíocht do GMIT ag an imeacht oideachais/gairmeacha a d'earraigh saotharlanna Stiefel Shligigh in Eanáir 2012.

- Reáchtáladh an chéad Chruinníú de Chomhaontas Náisiúnta an Champais Ghais arna eagrú ag An Taisce (agus arna mhaoiniú ag an ÚAO) i bPáirc an Chrócaigh in Eanáir. Thug Phil Hogan TD agus Tom Boland, AOF an ÚAO, aithisc fáiltithe. Rinne an Dr Barbara Burns (Ceann Lárionaid) agus roinnt ball foirne ó gCoiste Glas ionadaíocht do GMIT Chaisleán an Bharraigh.
- D'óstáigh GMIT Chaisleán an Bharraigh fóram de chomhlachtaí gairmiúla i mí an Mhárta. Labhair ionadaithe ó Institiúid na gCuntasóirí Cairte in Éirinn (ICAI), Institiúid na gCuntasóirí Cairte Bainistíochta (CIMA) agus Institiúid na gCuntasóirí Teastasaithe Poiblí (CPA) leis na neacha léinn de chuid Gnó a bhí i láthair.
- D'eagraigh na léachtóirí, Stephen Hannon agus Kevin O Callaghan, agus neacha léinn as an BA in Oideachas Allamhúig an t-iimeacht bliantúil Treodóireacht Contae Beaver ag Loch Lannach, Caisleán an Bharraigh, i mí an Mhárta..
- I gcomhar le Cumann Seandálaíochta agus Stairiúla Chaisleán an Bharraigh, d'óstáigh an clár Staidéar Oidhreachta i mí an Mhárta léacht poiblí dar teideal *'The Mendicant Friars in Castlebar: Lifestyle and Ministry'*. Ba é an cainteoir an Dr Colmán Ó Clabhaigh OSB de chuid Mhainistir Ghleann Stail, Co. Luimnigh.
- An seimeastar seo thacaigh roinnt gnólachtaí réigiúnacha turasóireachta le measúnú neacha léinn – ar na cuairteanna bhí Músaem Hunt i Luimneach agus turas siúlóide treoraithe dar teideal ‘Angela’ Ashes’. Ar na foirgnimh eile ar tugadh cuairt orthu bhí Dromoland Castle, Park Hotel, Dromquinna Manor, Aghadoe Heights agus Europe Hotel.
- D'eagraigh Mairead Ludden seimineár do chomhlachtaí atá maoinithe ag an rialtas in abhantrach GMIT a bhí bainteach leis na rannpháirtithe a raibh spéis i ngairm na foirgníochta acu. I láthair ag na seimineáir bhí ionadaithe de chuid Údarás na Gaeltachta, Leader Chaisleán an Bharraigh Thiar Theas agus Leader Chaisleán an Bharraigh Thiar Thuaidh agus TÚS.
- Thug Campas Glas Chaisleán an Bharraigh cuireadh do Brian Cahalane, saineolaí Eorpach ar Chaomhnú an Ghabhláin Ghaoithe caint a thabhairt *‘Helping to Save Ireland’s Swifts’*. Fuair Campas Glas Chaisleán an Bharraigh GMIT tacáiocht faoin gClár Gnó Áitiúil 12 de chuid an Chiste Comhpháirtíochta Comhshaoil chun an Tionscadal um Shábháil Gabhláin Gaoithe na hÉireann a bhunú agus cuireadh suas boscaí neide a bhí deartha go speisialta do ghabhláin ghaoithe
- Rinne na léachtóirí an Dr Mark Garavan agus an Dr Hugh McBride freastal ar an 9ú Ceardlann de chuid Ralahine Utopian Studies ag UL. Bhí an Dr Garavan ar dhuine de na príomhchainteoirí.
- The first National Green-Campus Alliance Meeting, organised by An Taisce (funded by the HEA), was held at Croke Park in January. Welcome addresses were given by Phil Hogan TD and Tom Boland, CEO of the HEA. GMIT Castlebar was represented by Dr Barbara Burns (Head of Centre) and a number of staff from the Green Campus committee.
- GMIT, Castlebar hosted a professional bodies forum in March. Representatives of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland (ICAI), Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) and the Institute of Certified Public Accountants (CPA) addressed Business students in attendance.
- Lecturers Stephen Hannon and Kevin O Callaghan, and students from the BA in Outdoor Education organised the annual County Beaver Orienteering event at Lough Lannagh, Castlebar in March.
- In March the Heritage Studies Programme, in association with Castlebar Archaeological and Historical Society, hosted a public lecture entitled *‘The Mendicant Friars in Castlebar: Lifestyle and Ministry’*. The speaker was Dr Colmán Ó Clabhaigh OSB of Glenstal Abbey, Co. Limerick.
- A number of regional tourism businesses supported student assessment this semester – visits have included the Hunt Museum in Limerick and a guided walking tour entitled ‘Angela’s Ashes’. Other properties visited included Dromoland Castle, The Park Hotel, Kenmare, Dromquinna Manor, Aghadoe Heights and Europe Hotel.
- Mairead Ludden organised a seminar for government-funded bodies in the GMIT catchment area with an involvement with participants who may have an interest in pursuing a career in construction. The seminar was attended by representatives from Údarás na Gaeltachta, South West Castlebar Leader and North West Castlebar Leader, and TUS.
- GMIT Castlebar Green Campus invited Brian Cahalane, European expert on Swift Conservation to give a talk *“Helping to Save Ireland’s Swifts”*. GMIT Castlebar Green Campus has received support under the Local Agenda 12 Environmental Partnership Fund to establish a Save Ireland’s Swifts Project and nest boxes especially designed for Swifts have been erected.
- Lecturers Dr Mark Garavan and Dr Hugh McBride attended the 9th Ralahine Utopian Studies Workshop at UL. Dr Garavan was one of the keynote speakers.

- Chuir an Dr Carina Ginty, Oifigeach Caidrimh le Scoileanna, agus Evelyn Moylan, an Scoil Ghnó, ceardlann i láthair ar *Graduate Attributes for the 21st Century – Exploring peer and teacher led strategies that promote active learning and enhance the first year experience, from different perspectives* ag an 7ú Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta ar Theagasc Forlíontach. Rinne an cheardlann breac-chur síos ar an bpacáiste eispéaras foghlama don chéad bhliain atá in úsáid ag an am céanna in GMIT agus AIT. Dhá shnáithe atá sa phacáiste foghlama: an clár Foghlama Piara-chuidithe (PAL) atá treoraithe ag neacha léinn as an 2ú, 3ú agus 4ú bliain; agus modúl dar teideal ‘Learning to Learn’ (L2L) a threoraíonn léachtóirí. Tugadh breac-chuntas ar shampla de na straitéisí gníomhacha foghlama, a chuidíonn le forbairt airíonna amhail smaointeoireacht chruthaitheach, réiteach fadhbanna, obair foirne agus tiomantas don fhoghlaim leanúnach.

Leitir Fraic

- Rinne GMIT ceiliúradh ar a 40ú cothrom bliana i mbliana ach rinne sí ceiliúradh freisin ar a 25 bliain ar a campas i Leitir Fraic atá á réachtáil i gcompháirtiocht le Connemara West Development PLC. Chun aitheantas a thabhairt don tionchar a imríonn sé go náisiúnta agus go hidirnáisiúnta, ainmníodh campas Leitir Fraic le bheith ina Shármhaiteas Náisiúnta i dTeicneolaíocht agus Dearadh Troscáin.
- Mar chuid den cheiliúradh ar chothrom a 25 bliain, tá Bord na nOibreacha Poiblí ag óstú taispeántas de chuid Leitir Fraic GMIT de shaothar céimithe agus neach léinn i nDánlann Farmleigh i bPáirc an Fhionnúisce. D'oscail an tUachtaráin Micheál D Ó hUiginn an taispeántas go hoifigiul, a bhí ar siúl ó 1 Samhain go 20 Nollaig.



- Dr Carina Ginty, Schools Liaison Officer, and Evelyn Moylan, School of Business, presented a workshop on *Graduate Attributes for the 21st Century – Exploring peer and teacher led-strategies that promote active learning and enhance the first year experience, from different perspectives* at the 7th International Conference on Supplemental Instruction. The workshop outlined the first year learning experience package that has been deployed simultaneously in GMIT and AIT. The learning package consisted of two strands: a Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) programme led by students from 2nd, 3rd or 4th year; and a module titled ‘Learning to Learn’ (L2L) led by lecturers. A sample of active learning strategies, which assist the development of attributes such as creative thinking, problem solving, team-work and a commitment to continuous learning, were outlined.

Letterfrack

- GMIT celebrated its 40th anniversary this year but it also celebrated 25 years in its Letterfrack campus which is run as a partnership with Connemara West Development PLC. In recognition of its impact both nationally and internationally on the industry, the Letterfrack campus was designated as a National Excellence in Furniture Design and Technology.
- As part of the 25th Anniversary celebration, the OPW hosted a GMIT Letterfrack exhibition of students, staff and graduate work in Farmleigh Gallery in the Phoenix Park. The exhibition, which ran from 1 November to 20 December, was officially opened by President Michael D Higgins.

- Thug an tUachtarán Micheál D Ó hUiginn cuairt ghearr neamhfhoirmiúil ar Leitir Fraic GMIT i mBealtaine agus bhuaile baill foirne de chuid Leitir Fraic GMIT Connemara West. Níos déanaí sa blhlain d'oscail an tUachtarán GMIT Leitir Fraic go foirmiúil i nDánlann Farmleigh – 25 Bliain den tsármhaiteas agus Nuálaíocht.



An tUachtarán Micheál D Ó hUiginn, a bhean Sabina agus Dermot O'Donovan, Ceann Roinne, Leitir Fraic GMIT

President Michael D Higgins, his wife Sabina and Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Department, GMIT Letterfrack

- Rinne 12 neach léinn as Scoil Pobail an Chlocháin tionscadal adhmadóireachta 8 seachtain in GMIT, le tacáiocht ó Connemara West.
- Ainmníodh GMIT don Ghradam *The Pride of Place Gala*. D'imir Leitir Fraic GMIT ról tábhachtach sa phróiseas ainmniúcháin.
- Reáchtáil GMIT Seachtain Ghlas i Márta a raibh san áireamh inti taispeántas idirghníomhach adhmaid agus crainn do scoileanna áitiúla, clár faisnéise a thaispeáint ar bhuaiteoir duais Nobel, an Céiniach Warangai Mathai, a d'oscail Ambasadóir Chéinia go hÉirinn, plandáil crann ar chmpas agus gníomhaiochtaí eile a raibh baint acu leis na neacha léinn.
- Chuir neacha léinn de chuid an BSc i nDearadh agus Déantús Troscáin tionscadal i gcrích le bunscoil i gCathair na Mart faoina ndearnadh míreanna troscáin don seomra ranga agus don timpeallacht sheachtrach teagaisc.

An Leabharlann

- I mí an Mhárta d'óstaigh an leabharlann taispeántas dar teideal “*Mapping Urban Ireland*” a chuir Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann agus Tionscadal Atlas na mBailte Stáiriúla i láthair i gcomhar. Ar chomhthráth leis an taispeántas thug an léachtóir Paul Gosling cur i láthair dar teideal “*The maps of Galway: visual sources for the county's landscape, history and archaeology*”.

- President Michael D Higgins paid a brief informal visit to GMIT Letterfrack in May and met with staff members of GMIT and Connemara West. Later in the year the President formally opened GMIT Letterfrack – 25 Years of Excellence and Innovation in Farmleigh Gallery.

• 12 students from Clifden Community School undertook an 8-week woodworking project in GMIT, supported by Connemara West.

- GMIT was nominated for *The Pride of Place Gala Awards*. GMIT Letterfrack played an important role in the nomination process.
- GMIT held a Green Week in March which included an interactive timber and tree exhibition for local primary schools. The screening of a documentary on Kenyan Nobel Prize winner Warangi Mathai was opened by the Kenyan Ambassador to Ireland, planting of trees on campus and other student related activities.
- Students of the BSc in Furniture Design and Manufacture completed a project with a primary school in Westport making furniture items for the classroom and the external teaching environment.

Library

- In March the library hosted an exhibition entitled “*Mapping Urban Ireland*” which was jointly presented by the Royal Irish Academy and the Historic Town Atlas Project. To coincide with the exhibition, lecturer Paul Gosling kindly agreed to give a presentation entitled “*The maps of Galway: visual sources for the county's landscape, history and archaeology*”.

Idirnáisiúnú 4.5

Tá trí sprioc agus deich bpríomhstraitéis ag an bPiléar Idirnáisiúnú agus Comhoibriú. Is í a straitéis uileghabhálach ná eispéaras Éireannach a chur ar fáil dár gcuid neach léinn idirnáisiúnta agus eispéaras idirnáisiúnta a chur ar fáil dár neacha léinn Éireannacha.

Ba iad na trí sprioc a bhí ag an bPiléar Idirnáisiúnú agus Comhoibriú:

1. Peirspictíocht Idirnáisiúnta a chomhtháthú isteach i gcláir.
2. Éagsúlacht chultúrtha agus tuiscint a chur chun cinn i measc na foirne agus na neach léinn.
3. Cur le cumas iomaíochta na hInstitiúide ar an margadh Idirnáisiúnta.
4. Ar na príomhrudaí a baineadh amach faoin bpiléar seo don bhliain acadúil 2011/2012 bhí:

Peirspictíocht Idirnáisiúnta a chomhtháthú isteach i gcláir.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Clár ionduchtaithe feabhsaithe a thabhairt isteach do neacha léinn idirnáisiúnta.
2. Deiseanna a mhéadú do neacha léinn staidéar/obair a dhéanamh thar lear agus an staidéar agus an obair seo a chreidiúinú.
3. An diminsean idirnáisiúnta a chomhtháthú isteach i ndearadh cláir i gcomhairle lenar n-institiúidí compháirtíochta.

Éagsúlacht chultúrtha agus tuiscint a chur chun cinn i measc na foirne agus na neach léinn

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Leanúint de chláir bhliantúla oiliúna foirne a fhorbairt ar idirghníomhú le neacha léinn as cúrlaí eitneacha éagsúla.
2. Deiseanna breise a shocrú agus a chur chun cinn le haghaidh malartuithe teagaisc foirne le hinstiúidí compháirtíochta thar lear.

Cur le cumas iomaíochta na hInstitiúide ar an margadh Idirnáisiúnta.

Príomhstraitéisí:

1. Rannóg neamh-AE a bhunú san Oifig Idirnáisiúnta.
2. Plean a shainiú agus a chur i bhfeidhm chun líon na neach léinn idirnáisiúnta a mhéadú.
3. Forbairt agus margaocht a dhéanamh ar chlár scoil samhraidh idirnáisiúnta.
4. Cur le scéimeanna scoláireachta atá ann cheana féin chun lucht iontrála idirnáisiúnta a chuimsiú.
5. Na príomhchomhaontais idirnáisiúnta a fhorbairt chun seasamh agus próifil idirnáisiúnta GMIT a chur chun cinn.

Internationalisation 4.5

The Internationalisation and Collaboration Pillar of the Strategic Plan has three objectives and ten key strategies. Its overarching strategy is to provide an Irish experience for our International students and an International experience for our Irish students.

The three objectives of the Internationalisation and Collaboration Pillar were:

1. Integrate an International perspective into programmes.
2. Promote cultural diversity and understanding among our staff and students.
3. Enhance the capacity of the Institute to compete in the International market.
4. Key achievements under this pillar for the 2011/2012 academic year include:

Integrate an International perspective into programmes.

Key Strategies:

1. Introduce an enhanced induction programme for international students.
2. Increase opportunities for students to study/work abroad and accredit this work and study.
3. Integrate the international dimension into programme design in consultation with partner- institutions.

Promote cultural diversity and understanding among our staff and students.

Key Strategies:

1. Continue to develop annual staff training programme on interacting with students from diverse ethnic backgrounds.
2. Arrange and promote increased opportunities for staff teaching exchanges with overseas partner institutions.

Enhance the capacity of the Institute to compete in the International market.

Key Strategies:

1. Establish the non-EU section of the International Office.
2. Define and implement a plan to grow international student numbers.
3. Develop and market an international summer school programme.
4. Extend existing scholarship schemes to embrace international entrants.
5. Develop key international alliances to further GMIT's international standing and profile.

Gnó

- Chuir an Scoil Ghnó fáilte roimh an Dr Gurram Gopal mar Scoláire Cuairte Fulbright don bhliain acadúil 2011/2012. Is Ollamh Taca é an Dr Gopal in Elmhurst College, Chicago agus léachtóir i réimsí na margáiochta, na bainistíochta branda agus bainistíocht an tslabhra soláthair.
- Thug Larry Elwood agus Gerard Michael cuairt ar Ollscoil Novi Sad, Seirbia i Samhain mar chuid den Tionscadal Concur Tempus Quest. Bhí mar aidhm ag an tionscadal Cláir Tiontaithe Máistir a chur ar fáil d'innealtóirí difhhostaithe sa tSeirbia. D'fheidhmigh GMIT mar chomhpháirtí comhairleach idirnáisiúnta.
- D'aontaigh an tOllamh an Dr Wolfgang Kremser, Ollscoil Eolaíochta Feidhmeacha, Dornbirn, an Ostair, bheith ina aoiléachtóir ar an modúl Bainistíochta Straitéisí sa Máistir Gnó i mBainistíochta Straitéise agus Nuálaíochta.
- Rinne an Dr Larry Elwood, Ceann Caidrimh Idirnáisiúnta, freastal ar an Taispeántas Idirnáisiúnta ar an Ardoideachas in Riyadh, san Araib Shádach. Bhí sé sin ar cheann de na haontaí earcaíochta is mó sa Mhéánoirtheor agus thug sé deis do GMIT a cuid tairiscintí fochéime agus iarchéime a léiriú do neacha léinn agus fostóirí as an Araib Shádach. D'eagraigh Fiontar Éireann é sin.

Innealtóireacht

- Ghlac Iria Xoubanova as an Universidad Politécnica de Valencia áit i mbliain 3 den BSc i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta trí mheán chlár Socrates.

An Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaíon

- Tháinig roinnt neach léinn malaire as SAM, an Fhrainc, an Spáinn agus an Bhulgáir chun cláir sna Daonnachtaí a dhéanamh. Is í an scoláire Robert Emmet don bhliain acadúil seo ná Jasmine Petrie as North Central College, Michigan. Chuaigh cúigear neach léinn de chuid na nDaonnachtaí thar lear, go dtí an Ghearmáin, SAM agus an Spáinn.
- Chuir an scoil fáilte roimh neacha léinn as SAM, an Fhrainc, An Spáinn, an Iodáil, Poblacht na Seice agus an tSín.
- Bhí taispeántas ag Blaise Drummond, Léachtóir i bPéintéireacht, i nDánlan Loevenbruck, Páras. Ba é ba theideal don taispeántas ná *Towards a Unified Theory of Everything*.
- Chuir Anne Brindley, Léachtóir i bhFraincis, agus Comhordaitheoir an tionscadail Oiliúna Teanga EuroCatering torthaí Chéim 2 i láthair ag seimineár idirnáisiúnta i mí na Samhna in GMIT. Ba é an táirge deiridh ná láithreán gréasáin a raibh rochtain éasca agus saor in aisce air d'oibrithre agus

Business

- The School of Business welcomed Dr Gurram Gopal as a Fulbright Visiting Scholar for the 2011/2012 academic year. Dr Gopal is an Adjunct Professor from Elmhurst College, Chicago and lectured in the areas of marketing, brand management and supply chain management.
- Larry Elwood and Gerard Michael visited the University of Novi Sad, Serbia in November as a part of the Concur Tempus Quest Project. This project was aimed at the provision of conversion Masters Programmes in Business for unemployed engineers in Serbia, and GMIT acted as an international advisory partner.
- Professor Dr Wolfgang Kremser, University of Applied Sciences, Dornbirn, Austria agreed to act as a guest lecturer on the Strategic Management module in the Master of Business in Strategy and Innovation Management.
- Dr Larry Elwood, Head of International Relations attended the International Exhibition and Conference on Higher Education in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. This was one of the largest recruitment fairs for students in the Middle East, allowing GMIT to showcase its undergraduate and postgraduate offerings to Saudi Arabian students and employers. This was organised by Enterprise Ireland.

Engineering

- Spanish student Iria Xoubanova from the Universidad Politécnica de Valencia joined year 3 of the BSc in Architectural technology through the Socrates programme.

College of Tourism and Arts

- A number of exchange students arrived from the US, France, Spain and Bulgaria, to pursue programmes in Humanities. The Robert Emmet scholar for this academic year is Jasmine Petrie from North Central College, Michigan. Five Humanities students have gone abroad, to Germany, the US and Spain.
- The school welcomed students from USA, France, Germany, Spain, Italy, the Czech Republic and China.
- Blaise Drummond, Lecturer in Painting, held an exhibition running in the Loevenbruck Gallery, Paris. The exhibition was entitled *Towards a Unified theory of Everything*.
- Anne Brindley, Lecturer in French, and Coordinator of the EuroCatering Language Training project presented the findings of Phase 2 at an international seminar in November in GMIT. The final product, was a freely accessible and free

oiliúnóirí i dtionscal na lónadóireachta agus a chuireann sainioliúint teanga don chistin ar fáil i roinnt teangacha Eorpacha, agus an Ghaeilge san áireamh.

Caisleán An Bharraigh

- I mí an Mhárta, thug Mark Garavan agus Hugh McBride cuairt ar an Ollscoil Eolaíochtaí Feidhmeacha, Leeuwarden Hogeschool, san Ísiltír (NHL). Bhí an chuairt mar chuid de nasc a bhí maoinithe ag Erasmus i réimse an Chúraim Shóisialta agus bhí sé comhtháite ina chuid de chlár na Seachtaine Idirnáisiúnta NHL.
- Thug beirt léachtóirí as an NHL in Leeuwarden, An Ísiltír, cuairt léachtóireachta 3-lá léachtóireachta ar an gclár Staidéar Sóisialta Feidhmeach.
- Thug Hugh McBride, Léachtóir ar na cláir Ghnó, modul ar Eitic Ghnó ag Fachhochschule Vorarlberg san Ostair mar chuid de chlár gnó idirnáisiúnta.

Leitir Fraic

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- Shocraigh GMIT Leitir Fraic socrúcháin do thart ar 25 neach léinn de chuid an 3ú bliain i SAM, RA, an Gheimaráin, an Phionlainn, an Astrail agus Marocó chomh maith le cuideachtaí in Éirinn.
 - Ta GMIT Leitir Fraic ag leanúint dá comhoibriú le Virginia Tech agus Southern Virginia Higher Education Centre. Thairg SVHEC maioniú chun tacú le neach léinn as GMIT Leitir Fraic tabhairt faoi thionscadal taighde Máistir i mBostún Theas.
 - Tugadh cuireadh do bhaill foirne as Leitir Fraic chuig Coláiste Gnó agus Dearaidh i gCóbanhávan féachaint le malartuithe neacha léinn agus foirne a shocrú. Rinneadh an chuairt in Eanáir 2012.
 - Síniodh comhaontú foghlama nua le coláiste dearaidh TEKO Dearadh + Gnó in Herning sa Danmhairg.
 - Déirigh go maith le cuairt ar GMIT Leitir Fraic a thug ceathrar ball dáimhe agus 14 neach léinn de chuid Virginia Tech agus Southern Virginia Higher Education Centre i Márta.

website for workers and trainers in the catering industry providing specific language training for the kitchen in a number of European languages, including Irish.

Castlebar

- In March, lecturers Mark Garavan and Hugh McBride visited the University of Applied Sciences, Leeuwarden Hogeschool, Netherlands (NHL). The visit was part of an Erasmus funded link in the area of Social Care and was integrated as part of the NHL International Week programme.
- Two lecturers from the NHL in Leeuwarden, The Netherlands completed a three-day lecturing visit to the Applied Social Studies programme.
- Hugh McBride, lecturer on the Business programmes, delivered a module on Business Ethics at Fachhochschule Vorarlberg in Austria in December as part of their international business programme.

Letterfrack

- GMIT Letterfrack arranged placements for approximately 25 3rd year students in overseas companies in USA, UK, Germany, Finland, Australia, Morocco, as well as companies in Ireland.
- GMIT Letterfrack is continuing its collaboration with Virginia Tech and Southern Virginia Higher Education Centre. SVHEC offered funding to support a graduate from GMIT Letterfrack to undertake a Masters research project in South Boston.
- Staff from Letterfrack were invited to TEKO College of Business and Design in Copenhagen with a view to setting up student and staff exchanges. The visit took place in January 2012.
- A new learning agreement was signed with a design college TEKO Design + Business in Herning in Denmark.
- A successful visit to GMIT Letterfrack by four faculty staff and 14 students of Virginia Tech and Southern Virginia Higher Education Centre took place in March.

Foirgnimh & Eastait

- Tá seomra paidreoireachta i gcampas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath do neacha léinn Moslamacha.
- Clár Oiliúna Shádacha: D'ostaithe GMIT clár oiliúna 10-lá in rFhoghlaim do 30 Ceann Roinne as coláistí de chuid na Corparáide Teicniúla & Gairmiúla (TVTC) san Araib Shádach i Meán Fómhair agus Deireadh Fómhair. Faoi láthair tá clár oiliúna á reáchtáil do dheichniúr múinteoirí ar chempas na Gaillimhe agus críoch le cur air i mí na Nollag.
- Chuir GMIT fáilte roimh Ollscoil Wisconsin-Platteville, agus Ollscoil Western Carolina chuit GMIT i nDeireadh Fómhair. Tá comhaontuithe malaire ag an dá ollscoil le GMIT le roinnt blianta anuas.
- **Ceapadh Cláraitheoir GMIT ar Ghrúpa Saineolaithe Bologna**
Cheap Coimisiún an AE Cláraitheoir GMIT, Michael Hannon, ar Ghrúpa Náisiúnta Saineolaithe Bologna. Cuireadh grúpaí Saineolaithe Bologna ar bun i ngach thír a shínigh Forógra Bologna. Thacaigh siad le cur i bhfeidhm bhunphrionsabail ghníomhaíochtaí Bologna, gníomhaíochtaí amhail creata cáiliúcháin a thabhairt isteach agus straitéisí a fhorbairt le haghaidh foghlaim ar feadh an tsaoil. Chuir na grúpaí comhairle ar institiúidí maidir le ráthaiocht cailíochta, leasú agus forbairt, creata cáiliúcháin náisiúnta agus Eorpacha agus aitheantas do chailíochtaí.

Buildings & Estates

- The Dublin Road campus has a prayer room for Muslim students.
- Saudi Training Programmes: GMIT hosted two 10 day training programmes in eLearning for 30 Heads of Departments from Technical & Vocational training Corporation (TVTC) colleges in Saudi Arabia in September and October. A 12 week training programme for 10 TVTC teachers is currently being held on the Galway campus and is scheduled to finish in December.
- GMIT welcomed the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, and Western Carolina University to GMIT in October. Both universities have exchange agreements with GMIT for a number of years.
- **GMIT Registrar appointed to Bologna Experts Group**
GMIT Registrar Michael Hannon, was appointed to the National Bologna Expert Group by the EU Commission. Groups of Bologna Experts were set up in all countries that signed the Bologna Declaration. They supported the implementation of the basic principles of the Bologna activities such as the introduction of qualification frameworks and the development of strategies for lifelong learning. The groups also advised institutions on quality assurance, reform & development, national and European qualification frameworks, and recognition of qualifications.

Comhaontais 5

Comhaontais

Sa phictiúr tá an Taoiseach Enda Kenny ag freastal ar shíniú foirmiúil Chomhaontas Chonnacht-Uladh idir GMIT, IT Leitir Ceanainn agus IT Shligigh. Chun tosaigh, l-d: Paul Hannigan Uachtaráin LYIT, an tOllamh Terri Scott, Uachtaráin IT Shligigh, Michael Carmody, Uachtaráin GMIT. Taobh thiar, c-d: Henry McGarvey, Cathaoirleach Bhord Rialaithe LYIT, Ray MacSharry, Cathaoirleach Bhord Rialaithe IT Shligigh, agus Des Mahon, Cathaoirleach Bhord Rialaithe GMIT.



Pictured is an Taoiseach Enda Kenny attending the formal signing of the Connacht-Ulster Alliance between GMIT, Letterkenny IT and IT Sligo. Front row, l-r: Paul Hannigan LYIT President, Prof Terri Scott, IT Sligo President, Michael Carmody, GMIT President. Back row, l-r Henry McGarvey, LYIT Governing Body Chair, Ray MacSharry, IT Sligo Governing Body Chair, and Des Mahon, GMIT Governing Body Chair.

Bhunaigh Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo (GMIT), Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn (LYIT) angus Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Shligigh (IT Sligigh) compháirtíocht nua straitéiseach, Comhaontas Chonnacht-Uladh, d'fholn stádas a bhaint amach mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta.

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Bhí An Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD, i láthair ag síniú foirmiúil an chomhaontaithe ag Cathaoirligh Bhord Rialaithe na trí Institiúid agus a gcuid Uachtaráin ag GMIT Caisleán an Bharraigh.

Beidh na trí Institiúid ag obair i gcomhar ar réimsí amhail foghlaim sholúbtha a sheachadadh, taighde agus nuálaíocht, seachadadh saincheaptha don tionsclaíocht, naisc le Boird Oideachais agus Oiliúna áitiúla, earcaíocht neach léinn idirnáisiúnta agus forbairt foirne d'fholn na critéir dhiana is gá chun athainmniú mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta a chomhlíonadh.

Ta daonna de bheagán le cois 16,000 neach léinn ag na trí Institiúid le chéile agus déanann siad raon leathan clár ó Leibhéal 6 go 10 de chuid Chreat Náisiúnta na gCáilíochtaí a thairiscint. Tá an comhaontas nua thírithe ar dheiseanna oideachasúla níos leithne a thairiscint chomh maith le feabhas a chur ar fhorbairt eacnamaíochta agus shóisialta a fheabhsú i réigiún Chonnacht-Uladh. Beidh an comhaontas ina chuid de chnuasach de sholáthróiri ardoideachais sa réigiún a mbeidh comhoibriú le hinstiúidí trasteorann san áireamh ann.

Ag labhairt dó ag an seoladh, dúirt An Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD: "Is ábhar glondair dom a bheith i láthair anseo chun síniú Meamram Tuisceana a fheiceáil a dhaingníonn Comhaontas Chonnacht-Uladh idir na trí institiúid ardoideachais seo. Is eochair í tógáil compháirtíochtaí den chineál seo chun spriocanna an-tábhachtacha na Straitéis Náisiúnta don

Alliances 5

Alliances

Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology (GMIT), Letterkenny Institute of Technology (LYIT) and Institute of Technology, Sligo (IT Sligo) formed a new strategic partnership, the Connacht-Ulster Alliance, with the aim of achieving Technological University status.

An Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD, attended the formal signing of the agreement by the Chairs of the three Institutes' Governing Bodies and their Presidents at GMIT Castlebar.

All three Institutes will work together on areas such as flexible learning delivery, research and innovation, bespoke delivery for industry, links to local Education and Training Boards, international student recruitment and staff development in order to meet the rigorous criteria required to achieve re-designation as a Technological University.

The three Institutes have a combined population of just over 16,000 students and offer a wide range of programmes from Level 6 to 10 of the National Framework of Qualifications. The new alliance focuses on delivering wider educational opportunities in addition to enhancing the economic and social development of the Connacht-Ulster region. The alliance will form part of a cluster of higher and further education providers in the region and include collaborations with cross-border institutions.

Speaking at the launch, An Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD said: "I am delighted to be here to witness the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding cementing the Connacht-Ulster Alliance between these three higher education institutions. The building of such partnerships is the key to the delivery of many of the most important objectives of the

Ardoideachas a sheachadadh. Cuideoidh an chomhpháirtíocht seo le tóigíl líonraí idir institiúidí aonair trí chláir chomhroinnt fochéime agus iarchéime. Éascóidh sé freisin le nasc níos mó thar teorainneacha chun próifil idirnáisiúnta na hÉireann a ardú.”

“Ní féidir liom áibhéal a dhéanamh maidir le tábhacht na mbuntáistí a thug institiúidí teicneolaíochta dá gcuid pobal. Táim cinnte go léireoidh an comhaontas seo riachtanais neach léinn, na fiontraíochta agus an mhórphobail i réigiún Chonnacht-Uladh.”

Dúirt an triúr Uachtaráin, Michael Carmody (GMIT), Paul Hannigan (LYIT) agus an tOllamh Terri Scott (IT Sligo), gur forbairt spreagúil é an comhaontas don réigiún agus go bhfuil siad ag súil le bheith ag obair i gcomhar le chéile chun athainmniú mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta a bhaint amach, rud a rachaidh chun tairbhe do na neacha léinn sa todhchaí agus do réigiún Chonnacht-Uladh ina ionmláine.

Ar na sainréimsí le haghaidh comhoibrithe idir na trí institiúid ardoideachais tá:

- Seachadadh feabhsaithe foghlama solúbtha, ar a n-áirítear seachadadh ar líne agus cumasctha, chun rochtain níos fearr a chur ar fáil do shainchláir agus eolas dóibh siúd in obair lánimseartha agus sholúbtha. San áireamh ansin beidh fócas ar sheachadadh saincheaptha chun freastal ar riachtanais na tionsclaíochta.
- Comhoibriú níos mó i dtaca le comhthaighde feidhmeach, forbairt agus gníomhaíochtaí nuálacha idir na trí Institiúid, ollscoileanna eile agus institiúidí faoi Chomhstraitéis Taighde, Forbartha agus Nuálaíochta.
- Ag obair leis na Boird Oideachais agus Oiliúna Áitiúla chun deiseanna feabhsaithe rochana, aistrithe agus dul chun cinn a chur ar fáil ón mbreisoideachas go hardoideachas.
- Straitéis Chomhchoiteann Idirnáisiúnta do réigiún Chonnacht-Uladh chun dlús a chur le hearcú neach léinn idirnáisiúnta.
- Bhual grúpa stiúrtha GMIT – NUIG le chéile agus shainaithin roinnt tionscadal thar an Institiúid le cur chun cinn.
- Thug an tUachtaráin, Michael Carmody, agus Ceann na Scoile Óstáin, Cáit Noone, turas chun na Stát Aontaithe agus Ceanada. Thug siad cuairt ar Ollscoil Johnson & Wales, Rhode Island d'fhoinn nasc a dhéanamh idir an dá institiúid. Thug siad cuairt freisin ar St. Lawrence College in Kingston chun eolas a aimsiú faoi chóras Ontario Colleges agus rinne iniúchadh ar na deiseanna faoin gcomhaontú Comhoibrithe IT/Ontario Colleges.

National Strategy for Higher Education. This partnership will allow networks to be built between individual institutions through shared undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. It will also facilitate the greater connection across borders to raise Ireland's international profile.”

“I cannot overstate the importance of the benefits that institutes of technology have brought to their communities. I know that this alliance will reflect the needs of students, enterprise and the wider community in the Connacht-Ulster region.”

The three Presidents, Michael Carmody (GMIT), Paul Hannigan (LYIT) and Professor Terri Scott (IT Sligo), said the agreement is an exciting development for the region and they look forward to working together towards achieving re-designation with Technology University status, which will benefit future students and the Connacht-Ulster region as a whole.

Specific areas for collaboration between the three HE institutes include:

- Enhanced flexible learning delivery, including online and blended delivery, to provide greater access to programmes and specialist knowledge to those in full-time and part-time work. This will include a focus on bespoke delivery to meet the needs of industry.
- Greater collaboration on joint applied research, development and innovation activities between the three Institutes and other universities and institutes under a new common Research, Development and Innovation Strategy.
- Working with the new Local Education and Training Boards to provide enhanced access, transfer and progression opportunities from further to higher education.
- A common International Strategy for the Connacht-Ulster region to drive international student recruitment.
- The GMIT – NUIG steering group met and identified a number of projects across the Institute to be progressed.
- The President, Michael Carmody, and Head of the Hotel School, Cáit Noone made a trip to the United States and Canada. They visited Johnson & Wales University, Rhode Island in order to build on a link between the two institutions. They also visited St. Lawrence College in Kingston with the purpose of gathering information on the Ontario Colleges system and exploring opportunities under the recent IoT/Colleges Ontario Collaboration agreement.

Pearsanra 6

Personnel 6

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Lánaímseartha	449.00	Full-Time
Páirtaimseartha	181.69	Part-Time
<i>Iomlán</i>	630.69	<i>Total</i>

Catagóirí	Categories
Acadúil	346.93 Academic
Riarachán	143.52 Admin
Tacaíocht	119.24 Support
Taighde	21 Research
<i>Iomlán</i>	630.69 <i>Total</i>

Inscne	Gender
Fireann	268.14 Male
Baineann	362.55 Female
<i>Iomlán</i>	630.69 <i>Total</i>

Ar Scor

Scoil Ghnó	Kevin Heffernan Tomás Ó Ceallaigh
Scoil na hInnealtóireachta	John Burke John Mitchell Liam Shaughnessy John Sherry
Scoil na hEolaíochta	Susan Coffey Annette Gethins Jim McComb Joseph Scanlon
Scoil Óstáin & Lónadóireachta	Annette Bluett Máirtín Clancy Laurence Keneghan Joe Loughnane Seoirse Morris Carmel Wynne
Scoil na nDaonnachtaí	Mary Creaven Jackie King, Mary MacCague Máirtín O'Flaherty Éamonn O'Regan Marie O'Sullivan Gerardine Quinn
Campus Chaisleán an Bharraigh	Barbara Burns Michael Gaughan
Athghrafaic	Mel Faherty
Foigrnimh & Cothabháil	Margaret Blake Margaret Collins Jimmy Keane
Riarachán	Bridie Sammon
Teagasc & Foghlaim	Dennis Murphy

Retirements

School of Business	Kevin Heffernan Tomás Ó Ceallaigh
School of Engineering	John Burke John Mitchell Liam Shaughnessy John Sherry
School of Science	Susan Coffey Annette Gethins Jim McComb Joseph Scanlon
School of Hotel & Catering	Annette Bluett Máirtín Clancy Laurence Keneghan Joe Loughnane Seoirse Morris Carmel Wynne
School of Humanities	Mary Creaven Jackie King, Mary MacCague Máirtín O'Flaherty Éamonn O'Regan Marie O'Sullivan Gerardine Quinn
Castlebar Campus	Barbara Burns Michael Gaughan
Regraphics	Mel Faherty
Buildings & Maintenance	Margaret Blake Margaret Collins Jimmy Keane
Administration	Bridie Sammon
Teaching & Learning	Dennis Murphy

Ioncam agus Caiteachas

Ba é an t-ioncam iomlán in 2011 ná €60.4m agus is ionann é sin agus laghdú de €3.2m ó 2010. Ba é ba chúis leis an laghdú sin ná laghdú de €3.5m ar Dheontais Stáit, laghdú de €0.04m ar Ioncam Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí, laghdú ar ioncam eile de €0.2m a ndearnadh páirt-fhrithláireamh air trí mhéadú ar tháillí teagasc de €0.3m, tállí Clárúcháin Neacha Léinn de €0.2m agus Ioncam ó Ús de €0.1m.

Ba é an caiteachas iomlán in 2011 ná €59.8m agus is ionann é sin agus laghdú de €2.3m ó 2010. Ba é ba chúis leis an laghdú ná laghdú de €0.9m ar chostais pá (ciorruithe pá le héifeacht ó 1 Eanáir 2010), agus laghdú ar chostais oibriúcháin de €1.4m. Bhí breis ag ioncam thar caiteachas de €0.6m roimh aistriú go cúlchistí caipitil forbartha de €0.9m a raibh mar thoradh air easnamh don bhliain de €0.2m. Is é an barrachas carntha mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2011 ná €5.6m.

Clár Comhardaithe

Bhí caiteachas de €1.8m ar Shócmhainní Seasta ar maoiníodh €0.4m de le deontais chaipitil, agus maoiníodh an fuílleach as deontas athfhillteach stáit, an Roinn Sláinte, an ciste srianta cültaca agus foinsí maoinithe eile.

Le linn na bliana atá faoi athbhreithniú, rinneadh athrú ar an bpolasáí caipitlithe: nuair a bhíonn míreanna aonair trealaimh a cheannaitear faoin teorainn chaipitlithe de €3k agus an sonrasc iomlán ceannacháin níos mó ná an teorainn, déantar caipitliú ar na míreanna aonair.

Tar éis dímheas de €3.4m a lamháil, tháinig laghdú ar luach sócmhainní seasta de réir an leabhair de €1.6m go €73m.

Cuireadh laghdú dá réir leis an gcontas caipitil de €1.6m go €73m.

Cóinnítear an contas cúlchiste srianta caipitil forbartha chun forbairt saoráidí neacha léinn a mhaoiniú. Ba é an tsuim a aistríodh go dtí an contas cúlchiste srianta ná €0.9m, agus ar 31 Lúnasa 2011 ba é méid iomlán an chúlchiste shrianta ná €9.3m.

Income and Expenditure

Total income in 2011 amounted to €60.4m which represents a reduction of €3.2m from 2010. This reduction was driven by a €3.5m decrease in State Grants, €0.04m decrease in Research Grants & Contracts Income, €0.2m decrease in other income partially offset by an increase in tuition fees of €0.3m, Student Registration fees of €0.2m and Interest Income of €0.1m.

Total expenditure in 2011 amounted to €59.8m which represents a reduction of €2.3m from 2010. This reduction was driven by a reduction in pay costs of €0.9m (pay cuts effective from 1 January 2010) and a decrease in other operating costs of €1.4m. Income exceeded expenditure by €0.6m prior to the transfer of capital development reserves of €0.9m, which resulted in a deficit for the year of €0.2m. The accumulated surplus as at the 31st of August 2011 was €5.6m.

Balance Sheet

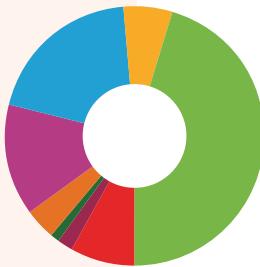
Expenditure on Fixed Assets amounted to €1.8m of which €0.4m was funded by capital grants, the balance being funded from the state recurrent grant, Department of Health, capital reserve fund and other sources of funding.

During the year under review, there was a change to the capitalisation policy where individual items of equipment purchased are below the capitalisation limit €3k and the total purchase invoice is in excess of the limit, the items are individually capitalised.

Having allowed for depreciation of €3.4m, the net book value of fixed assets decreased by €1.6m to €73m.

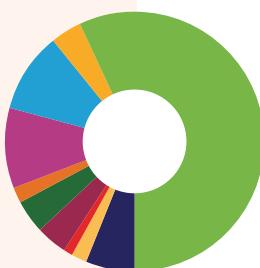
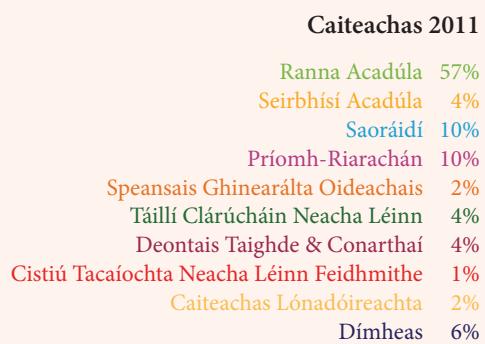
The capital account was decreased accordingly by €1.6m to €73m.

The capital development reserve account is held to fund the development of student facilities. The amount transferred to the capital development reserve account was €0.9m and at the 31st August 2011 the total capital development reserve fund amounted to €9.3m.



Income by Source 2011

State Grant	45%
Release From Capital Account	6%
Tuition Fees	20%
Student Registration Fees	14%
Research Grants and Contracts	4%
Student Support Funding Income Recognised	1%
Catering Income	2%
Other Income	8%



Expenditure 2011

Academic Departments	57%
Academic Services	4%
Facilities	10%
Central Administration	10%
General Educational Expenses	2%
Student Registration Fees	4%
Research Grants & Contracts	4%
Student Support Funding Applied	1%
Catering Expenditure	2%
Depreciation	6%

Gaeilge 8

Gaeilge

Cuireadh an Ghaeilge ar fáil mar ábhar roghnach go dtí leibhéal céime ar chláir éagsúla léinn a reáchtáladh ar champais Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath, Chluain Mhuire agus Chaisleán an Bharraigh le linn na bliana acadúla 2011-12. I Samhain 2011, bhronn an Institiúid céim BA i nGnó agus Cumarsáid (BAGC) ag leibhéal 7 ar sheachtar agus ag leibhéal 8 ar cheithre dhuine dhéag. Clár lánimseartha an BAGC a reáchtálann Scoil Ghnó na hInstitiúide.

Lean an comhoibriú idir an Institiúid, an comhlacht teanga Europus Teoranta agus Údarás na Gaeltachta maidir le cláir acadúla sa Ghaeilge fheidhmeach a chur ar fáil i nGaeltacht Chonamara. I Samhain 2011, bronnadh MSc sa Ghaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán ar dhuine amháin, bronnadh Ard-Diplónma i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán ar cheithre dhuine dhéag, agus bronnadh Teastaí i Riarachán Dátheangach (Dámhachtain Shainchuspóireach) ar naonúr.

Tharraing an tionscnamh idirnáisiúnta Eurocatering aird na meán cumarsáide, idir Ghaeilge agus Bhéarla, i mí na Samhna 2011. Is áis saor in aisce, ar líne, ilteangach é an cursa oiliúna Eurocatering, cursa a cruthaíodh don tionscal turasóireachta agus a bhfuil gradaim idirnáisiúnta agus urraíocht Eorpach faighte aige. Is iad na páirtithe Éireannacha sa togra Eorpach seo Anne Brindley agus Colin Gilligan, léachtóirí sa Choláiste Turasóireachta & Ealaíon in Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo, agus is faoina dtreoir siúd, agus le dua ball foirne eile, Eimear Ó Tuathaigh, a táirgeadh leagan Gaeilge an chúrsa. Féach www.eurocatering.org

Reáchtáil foireann teagaisc na dteangacha (Gaeilge, Fraincis, Gearmáinis, Spáinnis) lá bliantúil na dteangacha i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2011. Ardaíodh seastán maiseach i gcuid ghnóthach de champas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath, tairgeadh bianna agus deochanna a bhain le tíortha éagsúla (an thír seo ina measc!) do mhic léinn agus reáchtáladh comórtais éagsúla. Iarracht a bhíonn san imeacht bhliantúil seo aird a tharraingt ar an tábhacht a bhaineann le teangacha seachas an Béarla a fhoghlaim.

Irish Language 8

Irish Language

Irish was offered as an elective subject up to degree level on various academic programmes run on the Dublin Road, Cluain Mhuire and Castlebar campuses during the year 2011-12. In November 2011, the Institute awarded the BA i nGnó agus Cumarsáid (BAGC) degree at level 7 to seven candidates and at level 8 to fourteen candidates. The BAGC is a full-time programme in business and communications through the medium of Irish run by GMIT's School of Business.

Cooperation between the Institute, the language consultancy firm Europus Teoranta and Údarás na Gaeltachta continued in relation to the provision of academic programmes in applied Irish in the Connemara Gaeltacht. In November 2011, the MSc. i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán (Applied Irish & Translation) was awarded to one candidate, fourteen candidates received the Ard-Diplónma (Higher Diploma) i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán, and there were six recipients of the Special Purposes Award for bilingual administration, an Teastaí i Riarachán Dátheangach.

The international Eurocatering project attracted the attention of both Irish and English language media in November 2011. The free, online Eurocatering training aid is a multilingual course created for the tourism industry which has attained international awards and European funding. The Irish parties involved in the project are Anne Brindley and Colin Gilligan, both lecturers in GMIT's CTA, and it was under their direction, and with the efforts of another GMIT staff member, Eimear Ó Tuathaigh, that the Irish language version of the course was produced. See www.eurocatering.org

The language teaching staff (Irish, French, German, Spanish) organised the annual GMIT languages day in October 2011. A colourful stand was erected in a busy part of the Dublin Road campus, food and drink from various countries (including our own!) were offered to students and various competitions were run. This annual event is aimed at publicising the importance of learning languages other than English.

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Polasaí Comhionannas Deiseanna

Is fostóir comhionannas deiseanna í Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo. Sa chálíocht sin, tá sí tiomanta do chomhionannas deiseanna do na fostaithe atá aici faoi láthair agus a bheidh aici sa todhchaí, agus do thimpeallacht oibre atá saor ó leatrom ar chuínsí inscne, stádas pósta, stádas teaghlaigh, creidimh reiligiúnaigh, treoshuúmh ghnéasaigh, míchumais, aoise nó ballraíocht sa phobal siúil a chur chun cinn, de réir na reachtaíochta ábhartha (Achtanna Comhionannas Fostaíochta, 1998 agus 2008).

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Éilíonn na hAchtanna um Institiúid Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006, ar an Institiúid ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar dóigh a d'fhéadfadh faomhadh a fháil ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas agus iad a chur faoi bhráid an Ard-Reactaire Cuntas agus Ciste le haghaidh iniúchta. Agus na ráitis airgeadais seo á n-ullmhú, éiltear ar an Institiúid:

- polasaithe cuntasáiochta oiriúnacha a roghnú agus iad a chur i bhfeidhm go seasta;
- breithiúnais agus meastachán a dhéanamh atá ciallmhar agus críonna;
- aon athrú tábhachtach ar chaighdeáin chuntasáiochta oiriúnacha a noctadh agus a mhíniú;
- na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn an ghnóthais leantaigh, mura mbeadh an bonn sin mí-oiriúnach.

Tá an Institiúid freagrach as leabhair chearta chuntasáiochta a choinneáil a thabharfaidh le fios go réasúnta cruinn ag am ar bith staid airgeadais na hInstitiúide agus a chuirfidh ar a cumas a chinntí go gcomhlíonann na ráitis airgeadais na hAchtanna um Institiúid Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006. Tá an Institiúid freagrach freisin as sábháilteachta a cuid sócmhainní agus as bearta réasúnta a ghlacadh chun caimiléireacht nó mírialtachtaí eile a chosc agus a bhrath.

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Uachtaráin:



Cathaoirleach:



Dáta: 11 Iúil 2012

Statement of Institute Responsibilities

The Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006 require the Institute to prepare financial statements in such form as may be approved by the Higher Education Authority and to submit them for audit to the Comptroller and Auditor General. In preparing these financial statements, the Institute is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless that basis is inappropriate.

The Institute is responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Institute and which enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006. The Institute is also responsible for safeguarding its assets and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

President:



Chairman:



Date: 11th July 2012

Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach

Freagacht as an gCóras Rialaithe Inmheánaigh

Admhaíonn an Bord Rialaithe a fhreagacht fhoriomlán as córas rialaithe inmheánaigh na hInstitiúide.

Tacaíonn córas maith rialaithe inmheánaigh le polasaithe, spriocanna agus cuspóirí na hInstitiúide a bhaint amach, agus chun na cistí agus na sócmhainní poiblí a bhfuil freagacht orainn ina leith a chosaint. Is éard atá sa chóras rialaithe inmheánaigh ná na próisis sin a úsáidtear chun na rioscái suntasacha atá roimh Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo i mbainistiú a cuid gnóthaí a shainaithint, a mheasúnú agus a bhainistiú. Tá an córas ceaptha chun rioscái a bhainistiú seachas iad a scrios, agus é á aithint nach féidir ach ráthaíocht réasúnta agus ní glanráthaíocht a thabhairt go bhfuil sócmhainní á gcosaint, bearta á n-údarú agus á dtaifeadadh i gceart, agus go ndéantar earráidí nó mírialtachtaí tábhachtacha a chosc nó a bhrath go tráthúil. Tá an córas rialaithe inmheánaigh bunaithe ar phróiseas leanúnach atá ceaptha chun na rioscái a bhíonn roimh chur i gcrích polasaithe, spriocanna agus cuspóirí a shainaithint agus a chur in ord tosaíochta, chun an dóchúlacht go bhfiorófaí na rioscái sin a mheasúnú agus an iarmháirt dá bhfiorófaí iad, agus iad a bhainistiú go héifeachtach agus ar bhonn eacnamaíoch.

Príomhgnáthaimh Rialaithe

Tá cúram á dhéanamh ag an mBord Rialaithe chun timpeallacht rialaithe chuí a chinntí, ar a n-áirítear:

- Tá na gnáthaimh agus na rialacháin airgeadais doiciméadaithe go dáta, curtha i ngníomh agus cothrom le dáta.
- Athbhreithnithe rialta ag an mBord Rialaithe ar thuairiscí airgeadais tréimhsíúla agus bliantúla, ar a n-áirítear feidhmiú airgeadais curtha i gcomórtas le réamhaisnéisí.
- Treoirlínte rialaithe infheistíochta caipítel atá sonraithe go soileáir.
- Tá Coiste Iniúchóireachta ann, ag a bhfuil cairt shonraithe iniúchóireachta, le téarmaí tagartha soiléire, a bhíonn ag déileáil le saincheisteanna suntasacha rialaithe agus a fhaigheann tuairiscí ó na hiniúchóirí inmheánacha agus seachtracha.
- Tá feidhm iniúchóireachta inmheánaí ann a oibríonn de réir Chreachód an Scotchleachtais atá leagtha amach sa Chód Cleachtais d’Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta.

Statement on Internal Control

Responsibility for the System of Internal Control

The Governing Body acknowledges its overall responsibility for the Institute’s system of internal control.

A sound system of internal control supports the achievement of the Institute’s policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the public funds and assets for which we are responsible. The system of internal control consists of those processes used to identify, evaluate and manage the significant risks faced by Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology in the management of its affairs. The system is designed to manage rather than eliminate risk, recognising that only reasonable and not absolute assurance can be provided that assets are safeguarded, transactions authorised and properly recorded, and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or would be detected on a timely basis. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically.

Key Control Procedures

The Governing Body has taken steps to ensure an appropriate control environment, including:

- Financial procedures and regulations are currently documented, implemented and up to date.
- Regular reviews by the Governing Body of periodic and annual financial reports, which include financial performance against forecasts.
- Clearly defined capital investment control guidelines.
- An Audit Committee, with a defined audit charter is in place, with clear terms of reference, which deals with significant control issues and receives the reports of the internal and external auditors.
- An internal audit function which operates in accordance with the framework Code of Best Practice set out in the Code of Governance for Institutes of Technology.

Bainistiú Riosca

Leanaimid d'ár straitéis do bhainistiú riosca a forbairt laistigh de GMIT.

Cuireadh na bearta seo a leanas i bhfeidhm in 2010/11:

- Tá freagracht glactha ag an mbord feidhmeannach as straitéis bainistithe riosca mar an coiste bainistithe riosca. Tá sealbhóir cláir riosca ceaptha as an gcoiste sin.
- Cuimsíodh Bainistiú Riosca mar mhír chláir ar bhonn rialta le haghaidh cruinntithe de chuid coistí ábhartha.
- Déantar polasaithe agus gnáthaimh a athbhreithniú ar bhonn leanúnach.

Le cois na mbeart atá luaite thuas, in 2011/12 rinne an Institiúid an clár riosca a bhainistiú, a athbhreithniú agus a nuashonrú go gníomhach leis na bainistoirí ábhartha. Déantar neamhchloí le hamlínte a iniúchadh agus socrutithe leantacha a chomhaontú leis an sealbhóir ábhartha riosca. Déanfar na nuashonruithe sin a thuairisciú don Choiste Iniúchóireachta agus don Bhord Rialaithe de réir mar is iomchuí.

Athbhreithniú bliantúil ar rialuithe inmheánacha

Tá athbhreithniú an Bhord Rialaithe ar éifeachtacht an chóras rialaithe inmheánaigh bunaithe ar:

- obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí a chuimsíonn measúnú bliantúil ar rialuithe inmheánacha airgeadais. Cuireann an pleán iniúchóireachta inmheánaí riosca san áireamh agus réimsí athbhreithniúte á sainaithint.
- an Choiste Iniúchóireachta a dhéanann maoirseacht ar obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí. Buaileann an Coiste Iniúchóireachta leis na hIniúchóirí Inmheánacha ar bhonn rialta chun obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí a athbhreithniú.
- oifigigh shinsearacha laistigh d’Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo atá freagracht as an gcreat rialaithe inmheánaigh a forbairt agus a choinneáil, agus
- na ráitis a dhéanann an tArd-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste ina litir bhainistíochta nó tuairiscí eile.

Tá próisis bunaithe ag an mBord Rialaithe chun éifeachtacht an chórais rialaithe inmheánaigh a athbhreithniú agus rinneadh athbhreithnithe le linn na bliana, ar a n-áirítear athbhreithniú ar rialuithe inmheánacha airgeadais. Is é ról an Choiste Iniúchóireachta deimhniú a chur ar fáil don Bhord Rialaithe go bhfuil córas leordhóthaineach rialaithe inmheánaigh curtha i bhfeidhm agus ag obair go héifeachtach agus rinneadh é sin do

Risk Management

We continue to develop our risk management strategy within GMIT.

The following actions were undertaken in 2010/11:

- The executive board has taken on responsibility for the risk management strategy as the risk management committee. A risk register holder has been appointed from this committee.
- Risk Management was incorporated as an agenda item for meetings of relevant committees.
- Policies and procedures are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

In addition to the actions mentioned above, in 2011/12 the Institute has actively managed, reviewed and updated the risk register with the relevant managers. Non adherences to timelines are investigated, and follow up arrangements agreed with the relevant risk owner. These updates will be reported to the Audit Committee and Governing body as appropriate.

Annual review of internal controls

The Governing Body review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control is informed by:

- the work of Internal Audit, which includes the annual evaluation of internal financial controls. The internal audit plan considers risk when identifying areas of review.
- the Audit Committee which oversees the work of Internal Audit. The Audit Committee meets the Internal Auditors on a regular basis to review the work of Internal Audit.
- senior officers within Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework, and
- the comments made by the Comptroller and Auditor General in his management letter or other reports.

The Governing Body has processes established for reviewing the effectiveness of the internal control and reviews were undertaken during the year, including a review of internal operational controls. The role of the Audit Committee is to provide assurance to the Governing Body that an adequate system of internal control is implemented and operating effectively and this was done for 2010/2011. The Governing Body performed its review of the effectiveness of the system of internal financial control for the year ended 31 August 2011 in January 2012.

2010/11. Rinne an Bord Rialaithe a athbhreithniú ar éifeachtacht an chórais rialaithe inmheánaigh airgeadais don bliaín dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2011 in Eanáir 2012.

Tá an Bord Rialaithe tiomanta don Chód Rialaithe d'Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta na hÉireann a chur i bhfeidhm go hiomlán agus tá sí ag obair i dtreo a bheith in ann faoi 2011/12 ráiteas a chur ar fáil ar Rialú Inmheánach a chloíonn leis an bhformáid atá leagtha amach sa Chód sin.

Ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

Cathaoirleach:



Chairman:



Uachtaráin GMIT:



President:



Dáta: 11 Iúil 2012

Date: 11th July 2012

Tuarascáil an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste le cur i láthair Thithe an Oireachtas

Institiúid Teicneolíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo

Tá ráitis airgeadais Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2011 iniúchta agam faoi na hAchtanna um Institiúid Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006. Tá na ráitis airgeadais, a ullmhaíodh faoi na beartais chuntasaíochta arna leagan amach sna ráitis comhdhéanta den ráiteas ar bheartais chuntasaíochta, an cuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais chomhdhltíte, clár comhardaithe chomhdhlúite agus clár comhardaithe na hInstitiúide, an ráiteas comhdhlúite ar shreabhadh airgid agus na nótáí gaolmhara. Is é ancreat tuairiscithe airgeadais a cuireadh i bhfeidhm ina n-ullmhúchán ná an dlí ábhartha agus an Cleachtas Cuntasaíochta a nGlahtar Leis go Coitianta in Éirinn.

Freagrachtaí na hInstitiúide

Tá an Institiúid freagrach as na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú, as a chinntí go dtugann siad léargas fior agus cóir ar riocht chúrsaí an Ghrúpa agus na hInstitiúide agus ar ioncam agus chaiteachas an Ghrúpa, agus as rialtacht na n-idirbhheart a chinntíú.

Freagrachtaí an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

Is é mo fhreagrachta ná na ráitis airgeadais a iniúchadh agus tuairisc a thabhairt orthu de réir an dlí ábhartha.

Déanaim m'iniúchadh maidir leis na céasáin speisialta a bhaineann le comhlacthaí a fhaigheann cistíú substaintíúil ón Stát i dtaca lena mbainistíocht agus a n-oibríocht.

Déanaim m'iniúchadh de réir na gCaighdeán Idirnáisiúnta ar Iniúchadh (RA agus Éire) agus i gcomháll leis na Caighdeán Eiticiúla d'Iniúchóirí de chuid Bhord na gCleachtas Iniúchóireachta.

Raon an Iniúchta ar na Ráiteas Airgeadais

Is é atá i gceist le hiniúchadh ná fianaise a fháil faoi na suimeanna agus na nochtaí sna ráitis airgeadais, leordhóthanach chun ráthaíocht réasúnta a thabhairt go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais saor ó mhíráiteas ábhartha, cibé calaois nó earráid is cúis leis. Cuimsíonn sé sin measúnú ar

- cibé an bhfuil na polasaithe cuntasaíochta oiriúnach do chuínsí na hInstitiúide, ar cuireadh i bhfeidhm go seasmhach iad agus ar nochtadh go leordhóthanach iad

Comptroller and Auditor General Report for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology

I have audited the financial statements of Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology for the year ended 31 August 2011 under the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006. The financial statements, which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein, comprise the statement of accounting policies, the consolidated income and expenditure account, the consolidated and Institute balance sheets, the consolidated cash flow statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland.

Responsibilities of the Institute

The Institute is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, for ensuring that they give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and Institute's affairs and of the Group's income and expenditure, and for ensuring the regularity of transactions.

Responsibilities of the Comptroller and Auditor General

My responsibility is to audit the financial statements and report on them in accordance with applicable law.

My audit is conducted by reference to the special considerations which attach to bodies in receipt of substantial funding from the State in relation to their management and operation.

My audit is carried out in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) and in compliance with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Institute's circumstances, and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed

- réasúntacht na meastachán suntasach cuntasáiochta a rinneadh in ullmhú na ráiteas airgeadais, agus
- cur i láthair foriomlán na ráiteas airgeadais.

Déanaim iarracht freisin fianaise a fháil maidir le rialtacht na n-idirbheart airgeadais le linn an iniúchta.

Tuairim ar na ráitis airgeadais

Is é mo thuairim go dtugann na ráitis airgeadais, a ullmhaíodh i gceart de réir Cleachtais Chuntasaíochta a nGlahtar Leis go Coitianta in Éirinn, léargas fiorcheart ar riocht ghnóthaí an Ghrúpa agus na hInstitiúide ag 31 Lúnasa 2011 agus ar ioncam agus chaiteachas an Ghrúpa don bhliain dar críoch sin.

Is é mo thuairim go raibh leabhair chuntais chuí coinnithe ag an Institiúid. Tá na ráitis airgeadais ag teacht leis na leabhair chuntais.

Ábhair ar a dtugaim tuairisc trí eisceacht

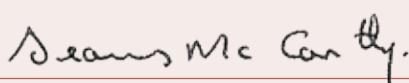
Tuairiscim trí eisceacht:

- mura bhfuil an fhaisnéis agus na mínithe go léir faighte agam atá riachtanach do m'iniúchadh, nó
- má thug m'iniúchadh aon chás ábhartha faoi deara nuair nár feidhmíodh suimeanna airgid chun na gríoch a bhí beartaithe nó sa chás nach gcloíonn na hidirbhearta do na húdaráis a rialáinn iad, nó
- nach léiríonn an Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach gur chloígh an Institiúid leis an gCód Rialachais d'Institiúidi Teicneolaíochta na hÉireann, nó
- má aimsím ábhair ábhartha eile a bhaineann leis an mbealach inar riadarbh gnó poiblí.

Athbhreithniú ar Rialú Inmheánach

Nochtann an Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach go ndearna an Bord Rialaithe a athbhreithniú ar eifeachtacht an chórais rialaithe inmheánaigh airgeadais don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2011 in Eanáir 2012.

Níl tada le tuairisciú agam maidir leis na hábhair eile.



Seamus McCarthy
Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

18 Iúil 2012

- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made in the preparation of the financial statements, and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I also seek to obtain evidence about the regularity of financial transactions in the course of audit.

Opinion on the financial statements

In my opinion, the financial statements, which have been properly prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and Institute's affairs at 31 August 2011 and of the Group's income and expenditure for the year then ended.

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Institute. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account.

Matters on which I report by exception

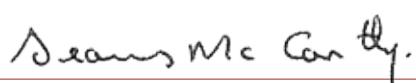
I report by exception if:

- I have not received all the information and explanations I required for my audit, or
- my audit noted any material instance where moneys have not been applied for the purposes intended or where the transactions did not conform to the authorities governing them, or
- the Statement on Internal Control does not reflect the Institute's compliance with the Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology, or
- I find there are other material matters relating to the manner in which public business has been conducted.

Internal Control Review

The Statement on Internal Control discloses that the Governing Body performed its review of the effectiveness of the system of internal financial control for the year ended 31 August 2011 in January 2012.

I have nothing to report in regard to other matters.



Seamus McCarthy
Comptroller and Auditor General

18 July 2012

Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasáiochta

Is mar seo a leanas atá na polasaithe suntasacha cuntasáiochta ar ghlac Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo leo:

1. BUNÚS AN ULLMHÚCHÁIN

Ullmhaíodh na ráitis airgeadais de réir na bprionsabal cuntasáiochta a bhfuil glactha leo go coitianta faoi choinbhinsiún an costais stairiúil (cés moite de shócmhainní áirithe atá cuimsithe ag a luacháil) agus le ceanglais an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas.

Faoin Acht um Choláistí Teicneolaíochta 2006 a tháinig i bhfeidhm ar 1 Feabhra 2007 aistríodh roinnt feidhmeanna a bhíodh á bhfeidhmiú roimhe sin ag an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta go dtí an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas.

2. BUNÚS AN CHOMHDHLÚTHAITHE

Cuimsíonn na ráitis chomhdhlúthaithe airgeadais ráitis airgeadais na hInstitiúide agus GMIT Catering Company Limited don bhliain airgeadais.

3. AITHEANTAS IONCAIM

Deontais Stáit:

Tugtar aitheantas do dheontais athfhilteacha ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas, Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhise Sláinte agus ó chomhlachtaí eile sa tréimhse ina bhfuarthas iad.

Déileáltar le deontais neamh-athfhillteacha ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas, ó Fheidhmeannacht na Seirbhise Sláinte agus ó chomhlachtaí eile i dtaca le fáil nó tógál sócmhainní seasta mar dheontais iarchurtha caipítel agus déantar iad a amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas thar shaol na sócmhainní.

Deontais Dhéabhlóidithe:

Thug an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta scéim isteach d'fhonn freagracht a dhéabhlóidiú don Institiúid d'Oibreacha Samhraíd agus d'Oibreacha Caipítel eile. Áit nár caitheadh suimeanna airgid deontais déabhlóidithe i dtaca leis an scéim sin, déileáltar leo mar ioncam iarchurtha má bhí na tionscadail a raibh siad ceangailte faofa ag an mBord Rialaithe, iad sainnithe go hiomlán, céimnithe ó thaobh ama de agus le meastacháin ar na costais.

I ngach cás eile aithnítear cistíú deontais déabhlóidithe ag an méid atá oiriúnach don bhliain acadúil ábhartha agus é cinntithe ar bhonn chionroinnt ama.

Statement of Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies adopted by Galway Mayo Institute of Technology are as follows:

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Ireland and the United Kingdom under the historical cost convention (except for certain assets which are included at valuation) and with the requirements of the Higher Education Authority.

Under the Institutes of Technology Act 2006 which came into operation on 1 February 2007 certain functions and funding which were previously exercised and provided by the Minister for Education and Science were transferred to the Higher Education Authority.

2. BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Institute and GMIT Catering Company Limited for the year.

3. RECOGNITION OF INCOME

State Grants:

Recurrent grants from the Higher Education Authority, the Health Service Executive and other bodies are recognised in the period in which they are receivable.

Non-recurrent grants from the Higher Education Authority, the Health Service Executive or other bodies received in respect of the acquisition or construction of fixed assets are treated as deferred capital grants and amortised in line with depreciation over the life of the assets.

Devolved Grants:

The Minister for Education and Science introduced a scheme to devolve responsibility to the Institute for Summer and other Capital Works. Where devolved grant monies, in respect of this scheme, have not been expended they are treated as deferred income, provided the projects to which they are committed have been approved by the Governing Body, are fully defined, time phased and with estimates of costs.

In all other cases devolved grant funding is recognised by the amount appropriate to the relevant academic year determined on a time apportionment basis.

Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí:

Déantar ioncam ó Dheontais Taighde agus Conarthaí a chur i gcomórtas le caiteachas agus cuimsítear é in ioncam na bliana inar tabhaíodh an caiteachas gaolmhar. Taispeántar gach ioncam agus caiteachas taighde faoi na ceannteidil ‘Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí’. Déantar soláthar iomlán do chailleanais intuartha.

Ioncam ó Tháillí:

Tugtar cuntas ar Ioncam ó Tháillí ar bhonn fabhraithe. Tá an t-ioncam go léir ó tháillí cuimsithe faoin gceannteideal sin, ar a n-airítear Foghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil agus Táillí Eile.

Ioncam ó Ús:

Déantar gach ioncam ó thaiscí gearrthéarmacha a chur chun sochair don chuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais sa tréimhse inar tuilleadh iad.

4. STOIC

Cuimsíonn stoic stoc ceaintín. Déantar luacháil ar stoic ar a luach costais nó an glanluach inréadta is íse. Breatar caiteachas ar leabhair agus ar stoc inchaithe do chaiteachas de réir mar a thabhaítear é.

5. SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA AGUS DÍMHEAS:

Luaitear sócmhainní seasta, cés moite de thalamh, ar a chostas stairiúl ní luacháil lúide dímheas carntha. Luaitear talamh ar a chostas stairiúl ní luacháil.

(a) COSTAS NÓ LUACHÁIL

Luaitear sócmhainní seasta a bhí ann ó 1 Eanáir 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaigh) ar a luacháil. Tá bunús na luachála leagtha amach ag Nótá 14. Luaitear breiseanna ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas.

Tugtar cuntas ar fhoirgnimh i mbun tógála ag a gcostas bunaithe ar luach na dteastas ailtire agus ar chostais dhíreacha eile a tabhaíodh go dtí deireadh na bliana airgeadais. Ní dhéantar dímheas orthu go dtí go gcuirtear in úsáid iad.

(b) TREALAMH

Ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2008, déantar trealamh a raibh costas níos lú ná €3,000 air in aghaidh na míre aonair, a dhíscíriobh don chuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais i mbliaín a fhála. Ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2010, áit a bhfuil míreanna aonair trealaimh a ceannaíodh faoin teorainn chaipitlithe (€3,000) agus an sonrasc iomlán ceannacháin níos mó ná an teorainn, déantar na míreanna sin a chaipitliú ina n-aonar sa ghnáthshlá.

Research Grants and Contracts:

Income from Research Grants and contracts is matched to expenditure and is included in the income of the year in which the related expenditure has been incurred. All research income and expenditure is shown under the headings ‘Research Grants and Contracts’. Full provision is made for foreseeable losses.

Fee Income:

Fee Income is accounted for on an accruals basis. All fee income is included under this heading including Life Long Learning and Other Fees.

Interest Income:

All income from short term deposits is credited to the income and expenditure account in the period in which it is earned.

4. STOCKS

Stocks comprise canteen stock. Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Expenditure on books and consumable stocks is charged to the Income and Expenditure Account as incurred.

5. FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Fixed assets, with the exception of land, are stated at historical cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation. Land is stated at historical cost or valuation.

(a) COST OR VALUATION

Fixed assets in existence on 1 January 1993 (date of commencement order) are stated at valuation. The basis of valuation of land and buildings is set out at note 14. Subsequent additions are stated at cost.

Buildings under construction are accounted for at cost based on the value of the architect's certificates and other direct costs incurred to the financial year end. They are not depreciated until they are brought into use.

(b) EQUIPMENT

From 1 September 2008, equipment costing less than €3,000 per individual item is written off to the income and expenditure account in the year of acquisition. From 1 September 2010, where individual items of equipment purchased are below the capitalisation limit (€3,000) and the total purchase invoice is in excess of the limit, these items are individually capitalised in the normal way.

(c) DÍMHEAS

Leantar de chaitheamh le gach sócmhainn a ceannaíodh roimh 1 Meán Fómhair 2008 agus a caipitlóidh mar shócmhainní seasta agus déanfar dímheas orthu go dtí deireadh na tréimhse a meastar iad a bheith inúsáidte. Déantar soláthar do dhímheas ar shócmhainní seasta, seachas talamh, ar bhonn dronlín chun a gcostais stairiúla nó a luachálacha a dhíscríobh thar na tréimhsí a meastar iad a bheith inúsáidte mar seo a leanas:

	Blianta
Foirgnimh	50
Daingneán agus Feistithe,	
Réamhdhéantáin san áireamh	10
Trealamh Ríomhaire	3
Gléasra agus Innealra	10
Trealamh	5
Feithiclí Mótair	5

Leanfar de threalamh ríomhaire a ceannaíodh roimh 1 Meán Fómhair 2009 a dhímheas ar bhonn pholasá dímheasa ceithre bliana dronlín. Déanfar trealamh a ceannaíodh i ndhiaidh an dáta sin a dhímheas ar bhonn dronlín trí bliana.

Déantar gach trealamh a maoiníodh ó Dheontais Taighde agus Conarthaí a dhímheas thar shaol na sócmhainne ag teacht leis an bpolasaí do gach Sócmhainn Sheasta eile.

6. AIRGEADRAÍ EACHTRACHA

Aistrítear bearta atá ainmnithe in airgeadraí eachtracha ina Euro agus déantar iad a thaifeadadh de réir na rátaí malaire a bhí i bhfeidhm ar dhátaí na mbeart. Aistrítear sócmhainní agus dliteanais airgeadaíochta atá ainmnithe in airgeadraí eachtracha ina Euro de réir na rátaí malaire a bhí i bhfeidhm ar dháta an chláir chomhardaithe.

7. PINSIN

Is faoi scéim shainithe sochair a thugtar gach teidlíocht pinsin foirne faoi Acht Rialtais Áitiúil (Aoisliúntas) 1980 agus déanann an Státhiste freastal ar oibleagáidí pinsin de réir mar a tharlaíonn siad.

Oibrítear an scéim pinsin ar bhonn íoc-mar-a-úsáidtear agus dá bhrí sin coinníonn an Institiúid asbhaintí aoisliúntais ó fhostaithe, mar chuid chomhaontaithe dá maoiniú.

Ní dhéanann an Institiúid aon ranníocaíochtaí don scéim agus níl aon oibleagáid uirthi i dtaca le teidlíochtaí.

(c) DEPRECIATION

All assets purchased before 1 September 2008 and capitalised will continue to be treated as fixed assets and depreciated to the end of their useful life. Depreciation is provided on fixed assets, excluding land, on a straight line basis so as to write off their historical costs or valuations over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	Years
Buildings	50
Fixtures and Fittings including Prefabs	10
Computer equipment	3
Plant and Machinery	10
Equipment	5
Motor Vehicles	5

Computer equipment purchased before 1 September 2009 will continue to be depreciated on the basis of a four year straight line depreciation policy. Computer equipment purchased after that date will be depreciated on a three year straight line basis.

All equipment funded from Research Grants and Contracts is depreciated over the life of the asset in line with the policy for all other Fixed Assets.

6. FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Euro and recorded at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Euro at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

7. PENSIONS

All pension entitlements of staff are conferred under a defined benefit scheme established under the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1980, and pension obligations are met by the Exchequer as they arise.

The superannuation scheme is operated on a Pay As You Go basis and therefore superannuation deductions made from employees are retained by the Institute, as an agreed part of its funding.

The Institute does not make contributions towards the scheme and has no obligations in respect of entitlements.

8. DEONTAIS CHAIPITIL IARCHURTHA

Is éard atá sna Deontais Chaipitil Iarchurtha luach neamhamúchta na gcistí carntha atá cionroinnt do shócmhainní seasta.

9. CÚLCHISTE CAIPITIL FORBARTHA

Is éard atá sa Chúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha cistí atá curtha ar leataobh ag an Institiúid do chríocha sainithe caipitil forbartha. Eascaíonn cistí dá leithéid as Táillí Clárúcháin Neacha Léinn, bronntanais chaipitil neamh-Stáit, táillí saoráidí baincéireachta agus aistrithe ó Chúlchistí Ioncaim, sa chás deiridh a bhfuil réamhshaomhadh acu ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachais, le cois ús bainc tuillte ar na suimeanna airgid sin. Coinneofar cistí dá leithéid sa Chuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha ar choinníoll go bhfuil na tionscadail shainnithe a bhfuil siad tiomanta dóibh ag teacht le Plean Caipitil Forbartha na hInstitiúide, iad faofa ag an mBord Rialaithe, céimnithe ó thaobh ama de agus le meastacháin ar na costais.

10. SÓCMHAINNÍ AR LÉAS

Breacatar cíosanna faoi léasa oibriúcháin don chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais sa tréimhse inar tabhaíodh an caiteachas.

8. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS

Deferred Capital Grants represent the amortised value of accumulated funds allocated for fixed assets.

9. CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT RESERVE

The Capital Development Reserve represents funds set aside by the Institute for specified capital development purposes. Such funds arise from Student Registration Fees, non-State capital donations, banking facility fees and transfers from Revenue Reserves, in the latter case which have had the prior approval of the Higher Education Authority, together with bank interest earned on these monies. Such funds shall be retained in the Capital Development Reserves Account provided the defined projects to which they are committed are in line with the Institute's Capital Development Plan, have been approved by the Governing Body, are time phased and with estimates of costs.

10. LEASED ASSETS

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Income and Expenditure account in the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

Cuntas Comhdhlúite Ioncaim Agus Caiteachais

DON BHLIAIN DAR CRÍOCH 31 LÚNASA 2011

	Nóta	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
IONCAM			
Deontas Stáit	1	27,660	31,125
Amúchadh Deontas Caipítíl Iarchurtha	17	3,404	3,414
Táillí Teagaisc	2	11,941	11,657
Táille Clárúcháin Neach Léinn	3	8,355	8,145
Deontais Taighde Agus Conarthaí	4	2,506	2,465
Ioncam Ó Ús		636	526
Ioncam Ciste Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Aitheanta	5	460	467
Lónadóireacht	25	1,467	1,588
Ioncam Eile	6	3,972	4,203
		60,401	63,590
CAITEACHAS			
Ranna Acadúla	7	34,096	36,158
Seirbhísí Acadúla	8	2,222	2,547
Costais Saoráidí	9	5,832	6,486
Príomh-Riarachán & Seirbhísí	10	6,148	6,094
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachasúla	11	1,015	830
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	3	2,608	1,977
Deontais Taighde Agus Conarthaí	4	2,564	2,559
Cistiú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Feidhmithe	5	460	467
Dímheas	14	3,358	3,416
Costais Lónadóireachta	25	1,459	1,553
	12	59,762	62,087
Barrachas Don Bhliain Roimh Aistriú Go Cúlchiste Caipítíl Forbartha		639	1,503
Aistriú Go Cúlchiste Caipítíl Forbartha	22	(860)	(1,445)
Barrachas (Easnamh) Oibriúcháin Don Bhliain		(221)	58
Díscróibh Deontais Athfhilltigh Stáit		0	(1,820)
Barrachas Carntha Ar 1 Meán Fómhair		5,780	7,542
Barrachas Carntha Ar 31 Lúnasa		5,559	5,780

Níl gnóthachan ná cailteanas ar bith ag an Institiúid sa bhliain airgeadais ná sa bhliain airgeadais roimhe sin seachas iad siúd a ndéantar déileáil leo sa Chuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais.

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad an ráiteas maidir le polasaithe cuntasáiochta, an ráiteas faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 26.

Sínithe ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

Uachtaráin:



Cathaoirleach:



Dáta: 11 Iúil 2012

Consolidated Income and Expenditure Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

	Note	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
INCOME			
State Grants	1	27,660	31,125
Amortisation of Deferred Capital Grants	17	3,404	3,414
Tuition Fees	2	11,941	11,657
Student Registration Charge	3	8,355	8,145
Research Grants and Contracts	4	2,506	2,465
Interest Income		636	526
Student Support Funding Income Recognised	5	460	467
Catering	25	1,467	1,588
Other Income	6	3,972	4,203
		60,401	63,590
EXPENDITURE			
Academic Departments	7	34,096	36,158
Academic Services	8	2,222	2,547
Facilities Costs	9	5,832	6,486
Central Administration & Services	10	6,148	6,094
General Educational Expenses	11	1,015	830
Student Services	3	2,608	1,977
Research Grants and Contracts	4	2,564	2,559
Student Support Funding Income Applied	5	460	467
Depreciation	14	3,358	3,416
Catering Costs	25	1,459	1,553
	12	59,762	62,087
Surplus for the year before transfer to Capital Development Reserve		639	1,503
Transfer to Capital Development Reserve	22	(860)	(1,445)
Operating (Deficit)/Surplus for the year		(221)	58
State Recurrent Grant Write Off		0	(1,820)
Accumulated Surplus at 1 September		5,780	7,542
Accumulated Surplus at 31 August		5,559	5,780

The Institute has no gains or losses in the financial year or the preceding financial year other than those dealt with in the Income & Expenditure Account.

The statement of accounting policies, cash flow statement and Notes 1 to 26 form part of the Financial Statements.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

President:



Chairman:



Date: 11th July 2012

Clár Comhardaithe Comhdhlúite

MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2011

	Nóta	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA			
Sócmhainní Inláimhsithe	14	72,987	74,614
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	15	2,664	4,542
Airgead sa Bhanc nó ar Láimh		18,276	15,545
Stoc		7	5
		20,947	20,092
DLITEANAIS REATHA			
Creidiúnaithe & Costais Fhabhraithe: Méideanna dlite laistigh de 1 bhliain	16	6,126	5,906
Glansócmhainní Reatha		14,821	14,186
Glansócmhainní		87,808	88,800
DÁ SEASANN			
Deontais Chaiptil Iarchurtha	17	72,973	74,594
Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais		5,559	5,780
Cúlchiste Caiptil Forbartha	22	9,276	8,426
		87,808	88,800

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad an ráiteas maidir le polasaithe cuntasaíochta, na ráitis faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótaí 1 go 26.

Sínithe ar son an Bhoird Rialaithe

Uachtaráin:

Cathaoirleach:

Dáta: 11 Iúil 2012

Consolidated Balance Sheet

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2011

	Note	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	14	72,987	74,614
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and Prepayments	15	2,664	4,542
Cash at Bank and in Hand		18,276	15,545
Stock		7	5
		20,947	20,092
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and accrued expenses: Amounts falling due within 1 year	16	6,126	5,906
Net Current Assets		14,821	14,186
Net Assets		87,808	88,800
REPRESENTED BY			
Deferred Capital Grants	17	72,973	74,594
Income & Expenditure Account		5,559	5,780
Capital Development Reserve	22	9,276	8,426
		87,808	88,800

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Signed of behalf of the Governing Body

President:



Chairman:



Date: 11th July 2012

Clár Comhardaithe na hInstitiúide

MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2011

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA		
Sócmhainní Inláimhsithe	72,973	74,594
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA		
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	2,635	4,573
Airgead sa Bhanc nó ar Láimh	18,187	15,345
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	20,822	19,918
DLITEANAIS REATHA		
Creidiúnaithe & Costais Fhabhráithe: Méideanna dlite laistigh de 1 bhliain	6,097	5,825
Glansócmhainní Reatha	14,725	14,093
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Glansócmhainní	87,698	88,687
DÁ SEASANN		
Deontais Chaipitil Iarchurtha	72,973	74,594
Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais	5,449	5,667
Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	9,276	8,426
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	87,698	88,687

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad an ráiteas maidir le polasaithe cuntasáiochta, na ráitis faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 26.

Sínithe ar son an Bhoird Rialaithe

Uachtaráin:

Dáta: 11 Iúil 2012

Cathaoirleach:

Institute Balance Sheet

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2011

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
FIXED ASSETS		
Tangible Assets	72,973	74,594
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors and Prepayments	2,635	4,573
Cash at Bank and in Hand	18,187	15,345
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	20,822	19,918
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Creditors and accrued expenses : Amounts falling due within 1 year	6,097	5,825
Net Current Assets	14,725	14,093
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Assets	87,698	88,687
REPRESENTED BY		
Deferred Capital Grants	72,973	74,594
Income & Expenditure Account	5,449	5,667
Capital Development Reserve	9,276	8,426
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	87,698	88,687

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Signed of behalf of the Governing Body

President:



Date: 11th July 2012

Chairman:



Ráiteas Comhdhlúite Faoi Shreabhadh Airgid

DON BHLIAIN DAR CRÍOCH 31 LÚNASA 2011

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
<i>Brabús/easnamh oibriúcháin a réiteach le hinsreabhadh glan airgid ó ghníomhaíochtaí oibriúcháin</i>		
<i>Brabús/(easnamh) oibriúcháin</i>	639	(317)
Ioncam ó ús	(635)	(526)
Dímheas	3,358	3,416
Amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas sócmhainne	(3,346)	(3,412)
(Méadú)/Laghdú ar Stoc	(2)	2
Laghdú ar Fhéichiúnaithe	1,815	66
Méadú ar Chreidiúnaithe	214	88
<i>Insreabhadh Glan Airgid ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin</i>	<hr/> 2,043	<hr/> (683)
RÁITEAS AR SHREABHADH AIRGID		
<i>Insreabhadh Glan airgid ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin</i>	2,043	(683)
Fáltais ar Infheistíochtaí & Fónamh ar Airgeadas		
Ús Faigthe	538	546
Cánachas Íoctha	(8)	(1)
<i>Caiteachas Caipitil</i>		
Íocaíochtaí chun Sócmhainní Seasta a Pháil	<hr/> (1,831)	<hr/> (2,926)
Eis-sreabhadh Glan do Chaiteachas Caipitil	<hr/> (1,831)	<hr/> (2,926)
<i>Airgeadú</i>		
Deontais Chaipitil Stáit Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	652	3,101
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	1,098	1,091
Cistí eile Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	241	180
<i>Insreabhadh Glan Airgid ó Mhaoiniú</i>	<hr/> 1,991	<hr/> 4,372
<i>Méadú ar airgead</i>	<hr/> 2,733	<hr/> 1,308
<i>Réiteach insreabhadh glan airgid le gluaiseachtaí i nglanchistí</i>		
<i>Méadú ar airgead</i>		
Glanchistí tosaigh	15,544	14,236
Glanchistí ar 31 Lúnasa	<hr/> 18,277	<hr/> 15,544
	<hr/> 2,733	<hr/> 1,308

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad na ráitis maidir le polasaithe cuntasáiochta, na ráitis faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 26.

Sínithe ar son an Bhoird Rialaithe

Uachtaráin:



Cathaoirleach:



Dáta: 11 Iúil 2012

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
<i>Reconciliation of operating profit/deficit to net cash inflow from operating activities</i>		
<i>Operating profit/deficit</i>	639	(317)
Interest Income	(635)	(526)
Depreciation	3,358	3,416
Amortisation in line with asset Depreciation	(3,346)	(3,412)
(Increase)/Decrease in Stock	(2)	2
Decrease in Debtors	1,815	66
Increase in Creditors	214	88
<i>Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities</i>	<hr/> 2,043	<hr/> (683)
CASH FLOW STATEMENT		
<i>Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities</i>	2,043	(683)
Returns on Investment & Servicing of Finance		
Interest Received	538	546
Taxation Paid	(8)	(1)
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>		
Payments to acquire Fixed Assets	<hr/> (1,831)	<hr/> (2,926)
Net Cash Outflow for Capital Expenditure	<hr/> (1,831)	<hr/> (2,926)
<i>Financing</i>		
State Capital Grants spent on Fixed Assets	652	3,101
State Recurrent Grant spent on Fixed Assets	1,098	1,091
Other Funds Spent on Fixed Assets	241	180
<i>Net Cash inflow from Financing</i>	<hr/> 1,991	<hr/> 4,372
<i>Increase in Cash</i>	<hr/> 2,733	<hr/> 1,308
<i>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</i>		
<i>Increase in cash</i>		
Opening net funds	15,544	14,236
Net funds at 31 August	<hr/> 18,277	<hr/> 15,544
	<hr/> 2,733	<hr/> 1,308

The statement of accounting policies, cash flow statement and Notes 1 to 26 form part of the Financial Statements.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

President:



Chairman:



Date: 11th July 2012

Nótaí do na Ráitis Airgeadais

1. DEONTAIS STÁIT

	Cionroinnte Do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach €'000	Cionroinnte Do Chaiteachas Caipitil €'000	Iomlán 2011 2010 €'000	Iomlán 2010 €'000
Is achoimre é seo a leanas ar na Deontais Stáit atá aitheanta sa bhliain:				
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	26,156	1,095	27,251	29,797
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach – Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte	507	3	510	758
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Caipitil - Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	2	231	233	1,474
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Caipitil - Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte	2	0	2	51
Deontas Stáit do Mhionoibreacha Caipitil - Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	993	203	1,196	1,768
Iomlán 2011	27,660	1,532	29,192	
<i>Iomlán 2010</i>	<i>31,125</i>	<i>2,723</i>	<i>33,848</i>	

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Íocann an Ciste Sóisialta Eorpach fóirdheontas ag leibhéal náisiúnta i leith na costais iomlán do roinnt cúrsai ardteastais agus gnáthchéime.

Le héifeacht ó 1 Feabhra 2007, ghlac an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachais chuige féin freagracht ón Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna as an gcistíú do chaiteachas athfhillteach neamhaltranais.

2. TÁILLÍ TEAGAISC

	2011 €'000	Lón Neacha Léinn (CLA)	2010 €'000	Lón Neacha Léinn (CLA)
Táillí íoctha ag an Stát	8,618	4,682	8,605	4,597
Táillí Neamh-AE	1,001	143	454	80
Táillí íoctha ag neacha léinn nó ar son neach léinn	1,336	831	1,312	817
Táillí Foghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil	995	124	1,286	234
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(9)			
	11,941	5,780	11,657	5,728

D'ioc an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas Táillí Teagaisc sa bhliain de €4,686,530 do chúrsaí Céime lánaimseartha agus €2,990,782 do chúrsaí ardteastais agus gnáthchéime, a bpáirtmhaoiníonn an ESF na costais iomlána. D'ioc Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte €940,972 i leith na heiliminte táille teagaisc le haghaidh chúrsaí céime altranais lánaimseartha.

Tá lón na neach léinn luate mar chóibhéisí lánaimseartha, bunaithe ar chreidiúintí clárúcháin.

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1. STATE GRANTS

	Allocated For Recurrent Expenditure	Allocated For Capital Expenditure	Total 2011	Total 2010
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
The following is a summary of state grants recognised in the year:				
State Grant for Recurrent Expenditure - Higher Education Authority	26,156	1,095	27,251	29,797
State Grant for Recurrent Expenditure - Health Services Executive	507	3	510	758
State Grant for Capital Expenditure - Higher Education Authority	2	231	233	1,474
State Grant for Capital Expenditure - Health Services Executive	2	0	2	51
State Grant for Minor Capital Works - Higher Education Authority	993	203	1,196	1,768
<i>Total 2011</i>	<i>27,660</i>	<i>1,532</i>	<i>29,192</i>	
<i>Total 2010</i>	<i>31,125</i>	<i>2,723</i>		<i>33,848</i>

The total cost of certain Higher Certificate and Ordinary Degree courses is subvented by the European Social Fund (ESF) at a national level. State grants for recurrent expenditure are partly funded from this EU assistance.

With effect from 1 February 2007, the Higher Education Authority took over the responsibility from the Department of Education and Science for the funding of non nursing recurrent expenditure.

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2. TUITION FEES

	2011 €'000	Student Nos (WTE)	2010 €'000	Student Nos (WTE)
Fees paid by State	8,618	4,682	8,605	4,597
Non EU Fees	1,001	143	454	80
Fees paid by students or on behalf of students	1,336	831	1,312	817
Lifelong Learning Fees	995	124	1,286	234
Transfer to Capital Account	(9)			
	<i>11,941</i>	<i>5,780</i>	<i>11,657</i>	<i>5,728</i>

The Higher Education Authority paid Tuition Fees in the year of €4,686,530 full time Degree courses and €2,990,782 for higher certificate and ordinary degree courses, the total costs of which are partly funded by the ESF. The Health Service Executive paid €940,972 in respect of the tuition fee element for full time nursing degree courses.

Student numbers are stated as wholetime equivalents, based on enrolled credits.

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3. TÁILLÍ CLÁRÚCHÁIN NEACHA LÉINN

- a) Tá Táillí Clárúcháin Bliantúla infiochta ag na neacha léinn, arbh é an ráta lánamseartha a bhí leagtha sios ná €1,500 don bhliaín acadúil 2010/11 (€1,500 - 2009/10). Faoi threoir an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas, feidhmítear €995 de gach tálle lánamseartha chun freastal ar chaiteachas athfhillteach le haghaidh seirbhísí iomchuí. Ba é a bhí ansin ná €5,219,000 do bhliaín an chuntas. Tar éis €859,338 a aistriú go dtí an Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha, baineadh úsáid as an iarmhéid de €2,608,150 chun saoráidí agus seirbhísí a chur ar fáil do na neacha léinn.

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
b) Táillí Clárúcháin Neacha Léinn	8,355	8,145
Ús ar Thaiscí Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn taifeadta faoi ús	251	190
Ioncam Eile Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn taifeadta faoi Ioncam Eile	81	79
Ioncam Iomlán inchurtha i leith Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	8,687	8,414

Feidhmiú na Tálle Clárúcháin		
Foireann	982	542
Seirbhís Sláinte Neacha Léinn	86	93
Ciste Míchumais Neacha Léinn	135	167
Árachas Neacha Léinn	20	20
Fóirdheontas d'Aontas na Neach Léinn	898	782
Seirbhísí Eile Neacha Léinn	487	374
	2,608	1,978
Aistriú go Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	860	1,445
Tálle Seirbhise Neacha Léinn coinnithe do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach	5,219	4,991

4. DEONTAIS TAIGHDE & CONARTHAÍ

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
<i>IONCAM</i>		
Deontais Taighde agus Conarthai	2,684	2,638
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(178)	(173)
	2,506	2,465

<i>CAITEACHAS</i>		
Costais Foirne	1,083	1,288
Táillí Gairmiúla	161	86
Taisteal agus cothú	402	322
Ceannach agus cothabháil trealaimh	73	59
Costais Eile	845	804
	2,564	2,559
Barrachas/(Easnamh)	(58)	(94)

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3. STUDENT REGISTRATION CHARGE

- a) Annual Registration Fees are payable by students, the full time rate being set at €1,500 for the 2010/11 (€1,500 - 2009/10) academic year. By direction of the Higher Education Authority, €995 of each full time fee is retained by the Institute and applied to meet recurrent expenditure for appropriate services. This amounted to €5,219,000 in the year of account. After a transfer of €859,338 to Capital Development Reserve, the balance of €2,608,150 was used to provide facilities and services for students.

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
b) Student Registration Fees	8,355	8,145
Interest on Student Services Deposits recorded under interest	251	190
Student Services Other Income recorded under Other Income	81	79
Total Attributable Student Services Income	<u>8,687</u>	<u>8,414</u>

Application of Registration Charge

Staff	982	542
Student Health Service	86	93
Student Disadvantage Fund	135	167
Student Insurance	20	20
Subventions to Students Union	898	782
Student Services Other	487	374
	<u>2,608</u>	<u>1,978</u>
Transfer to Capital Development Reserve	860	1,445
Student Service Charge retained for Recurrent Expenditure	<u>5,219</u>	<u>4,991</u>

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4. RESEARCH GRANTS & CONTRACTS

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
<i>INCOME</i>		
Research Grants and Contracts	2,684	2,638
Transfer to Capital Account	(178)	(173)
	<u>2,506</u>	<u>2,465</u>
<i>EXPENDITURE</i>		
Staff Costs	1,083	1,288
Professional Fees	161	86
Travel and subsistence	402	322
Equipment purchases and maintenance	73	59
Other Expenses	845	804
	<u>2,564</u>	<u>2,559</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(58)</u>	<u>(94)</u>

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5. CISTIÚ TACAÍOCHTA NEACHA LÉINN

	Ciste Cabhrach Neacha Léinn €'000	Ciste do Neacha fao Mhíchumas €'000	2011 193	2010 147
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	12	181	193	147
Fáltais	175	508	683	513
Lúide Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	-	10	10	-
<i>Méideanna Feidhmithe</i>				
Foireann	-	224	224	201
Eile	174	62	236	266
	174	286	460	467
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	13	393	406	193

Cuireann an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas maoiniú ar fáil faoin bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta agus déanann Ciste Sóisialta na hEorpa é a pháirtmhaoiniú.

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6. IONCAM EILE

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Aisbhaintí Aoisliúntais Coinnithe	2,488	2,425
Saoráidí ar Cíos	318	297
Costais a forchúitíodh i leith foirne ar iasachta	70	132
Ioncam Eile Inchurtha i léith Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	81	79
Díolachán Ábhar Teagaisc	161	151
Seirbhísí Fótachóipeála	42	53
Ioncam Eile	856	1,072
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(44)	(6)
	3,972	4,203

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5. STUDENT SUPPORT FUNDING

	Student Assistance Fund	Fund for Students with Disabilities	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Balance at 1 September	12	181	193	147
Receipts	175	508	683	513
Less Transfer to Capital Account	-	10	10	-
<i>Amounts Applied</i>				
Staff	-	224	224	201
Other	174	62	236	266
	174	286	460	467
Balance at 31 August	13	393	406	193

Funding is provided by the Higher Education Authority under the National Development Plan and is part funded by the European Social Fund.

6. OTHER INCOME

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Superannuation Deductions Retained	2,488	2,425
Rental of Facilities	318	297
Pay costs recouped in respect of seconded staff	70	132
Other Income attributable to Student Services	81	79
Sale of Class Materials	161	151
Photocopying Services	42	53
Other Income	856	1,072
Transfer to Capital Account	(44)	(6)
	3,972	4,203

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7. RANNA ACADÚLA

Foireann:

Teagasc	27,424	28,020
Teicniúil	3,349	3,393
Riarachán, Feidhmeannach & Rúnaiocht	1,174	1,309

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

Costais Neamhphá:

Ábhair & Tomhaltáin Eile	825	790
Trealamh	371	1,465
Costais Ríomhaire	198	282
Costais Eile	755	899
<i>Iomlán</i>	34,096	36,158

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

8. SEIRBHÍSÍ ACADÚLA

Foireann: Leabharlann & Seirbhísí Ríomhaire

1,570 1,718

Costais Neamhphá:

Ábhair Leabharlainne	342	335
Costais Ríomhaire	202	195
Trealamh	64	258
Costais Eile	44	41
<i>Iomlán</i>	2,222	2,547

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

9. COSTAIS SAORÁIDI

Foireann:

Foireann Chothabhála	1,385	1,418
Foireann Eile	502	539
<i>Iomlán</i>	1,887	1,957

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

Costais Neamhphá:

Costais Chothabhála	1,750	2,047
Cíos & Rátáí	414	466
Fuinneamh	911	798
Trealamh	148	531
Costais Eile	722	687
<i>Iomlán</i>	5,832	6,486

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

10. PRÍOMHRIARACHÁN AGUS SEIRBHÍSI

Foireann:

Costais Neamhphá:	3,734	3,898
Táillí Gairmiúla	733	805
Cumarsáid	223	227
Forbairt Foirne	326	260
Costais Eile	1,132	904
<i>Iomlán</i>	6,148	6,094

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

11. COSTAIS GHINEARÁLTA OIDEACHAIS - SCRÚDUIUTHE:

Foireann:

Costais Neamhphá:	705	626
Táillí do Chomhlachtaí Scrúdaithe	5	6
Costais ar Shocrúcháin Lasmuigh	213	109
Costais Eile	92	89
<i>Iomlán</i>	1,015	830

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
	31,947	32,722

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	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
7. ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS		
<i>Staff:</i>		
Teaching	27,424	28,020
Technical	3,349	3,393
Administrative, Executive & Secretarial	1,174	1,309
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	31,947	32,722
<i>Non Pay Costs:</i>		
Materials & Other Consumables	825	790
Equipment	371	1,465
Computer Costs	198	282
Other Expenses	755	899
<i>Total</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	34,096	36,158
8. ACADEMIC SERVICES		
<i>Staff: Library & Computer Services</i>	1,570	1,718
<i>Non Pay Costs:</i>		
Library Materials	342	335
Computer Costs	202	195
Equipment	64	258
Other Expenses	44	41
<i>Total</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	2,222	2,547
9. FACILITIES COSTS		
<i>Staff:</i>		
Maintenance Staff	1,385	1,418
Other Staff	502	539
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	1,887	1,957
<i>Non Pay Costs:</i>		
Maintenance Costs	1,750	2,047
Rent & Rates	414	466
Energy	911	798
Equipment	148	531
Other Expenses	722	687
<i>Total</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	5,832	6,486
10. CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES		
<i>Staff:</i>	3,734	3,898
<i>Non Pay Costs:</i>		
Professional Fees	733	805
Communications	223	227
Staff Development	326	260
Other Expenses	1,132	904
<i>Total</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	6,148	6,094
11. GENERAL EDUCATION EXPENSES - EXAMINATIONS		
<i>Staff:</i>	705	626
<i>Non Pay Costs:</i>		
Fees to Examining Bodies	5	6
Outplacement Costs	213	109
Other Expenses	92	89
<i>Total</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1,015	830

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12. ANAILÍS AR CHAITEACHAS

	Costais Foirne €'000	Costais Oibriúcháin €'000	Dímheas €'000	Iomlán 2011 €'000	Iomlán 2010 €'000
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	1,083	1,481	524	3,088	3,086
Ranna Acadúla	31,947	2,148	689	34,785	36,930
Seirbhísí Acadúla	1,570	652	158	2,379	2,690
Costais Saoráidí	1,887	3,945	1,909	7,741	8,387
Príomhriarachán & Seirbhísí	3,734	2,415	52	6,201	6,145
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachais	705	310	-	1,015	830
Seirbhísí & Saoráidí Neacha Léinn	1,206	1,862	14	3,082	2,462
Lónadóireacht	761	698	12	1,471	1,557
 Iomlán 2011	 42,893	 13,511	 3,358	 59,762	
 Iomlán 2010	 43,753	 14,918	 3,416		 62,087
<i>Anailís ar Chaiteachas Oibriúcháin Eile</i>					
Ábhair Leabharlainne				342	336
Costais Ríomhaire				504	612
Oideachas Ginearálta				815	652
Seirbhísí do Neacha Léinn				1,313	1,158
Costais Pearsanra				396	361
Cumarsáid				234	237
Stáiseanóiracht & Ábhair Oifige				396	358
Árachas				374	187
Costais an Bhord Rialaithe				1	0
Costais Airgeadais				13	17
Costais ar Fhuinneamh				918	807
Cíos agus Rátaí				454	471
Costais Chothabhála				1,758	2,058
Costais Eile Áitribh				540	553
Ábhair & Tomhaltáin Eile				982	895
Trealamh				718	2,402
Táillí Gairmiúla				1,135	1,147
Taisteal & Cothú				774	716
Fógraíocht Ghinearálta & Poiblíocht				214	215
Deontais Neacha Léinn Iarchéime				248	340
Costais Eile Taighde				136	72
Ilghnéitheach				519	543
Táille Iniúchóra				29	29
Lónadóireacht				698	752
				13,511	14,918

13. CÁNACHAS

Tá gníomhaíochtaí na hInstitiúide saor ó Chánachas Corparáideach, faoi Ordú Stádas Carthanachta

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12. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE

	Other			Total €'000	Total €'000
	Staff Costs €'000	Operating Expenses €'000	Depreciation €'000		
Research Grants & Contracts	1,083	1,481	524	3,088	3,086
Academic Departments	31,947	2,148	689	34,785	36,930
Academic Services	1,570	652	158	2,379	2,690
Facilities Costs	1,887	3,945	1,909	7,741	8,387
Central Administration & Services	3,734	2,415	52	6,201	6,145
General Education Expenses	705	310	-	1,015	830
Student Services & Amenities	1,206	1,862	14	3,082	2,462
Catering	761	698	12	1,471	1,557
2011 Total	42,893	13,511	3,358	59,762	
2010 Total	43,753	14,918	3,416		62,087

Analysis of Other Operating Expenditure

Library Materials	342	336
Computer Costs	504	612
General Education	815	652
Services to Students	1,313	1,158
Personnel Costs	396	361
Communications	234	237
Stationery & office Materials	396	358
Insurance	374	187
Governing Body expenses	1	0
Finance Costs	13	17
Energy Costs	918	807
Rent and Rates	454	471
Maintenance Costs	1,758	2,058
Other Premises Costs	540	553
Materials & Other Consumables	982	895
Equipment	718	2,402
Professional Fees	1,135	1,147
Travel & Subsistence	774	716
General Advertising & Publicity	214	215
Postgraduate Student Grants	248	340
Other Research Costs	136	72
Miscellaneous	519	543
Auditors Remuneration	29	29
Catering	698	752
	13,511	14,918

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13. TAXATION

The activities of the Institute are exempt from Corporation Taxation, under a Charitable Status Order.

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14. SOCMHAINNÍ SEASTA INLÁIMHSITHE

	Daingneán & Feistí (Réamh-								Sócmhainní
	Iomlán	Talamh & Foirgnimh	Foirgnimh i mbun Tógála	dhéantáin San Áireamh)	Trealamh Ríomhaire	Gléasra & Innealra	Feithiclí Mótair	Troscán & Trealamh	Eile i mbun Tógála
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
<i>Costas nó luacháil</i>									
Ar 1 Meán Fómhair 2010	101,930	89,065	366	1,678	2,389	660	91	7,426	255
Breiseanna	1,788	138	177	9	432	3	0	1,023	6
Aistrithe ó i mbun tógála	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diúscairtí	(574)	0	0	0	(325)	0	0	(249)	0
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2011	103,144	89,203	543	1,687	2,496	663	91	8,200	261
<i>Dímheas</i>									
Ar 1 Meán Fómhair 2010	27,316	19,455		1,215	1,891	359	46	4,350	
Muirear don bhliain	3,358	1,624	0	147	344	59	18	1,166	0
Diúscairtí	(517)	0	0	0	(312)	0	0	(205)	0
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2011	30,157	21,079	0	1,362	1,923	418	64	5,311	0
<i>Glanluach de réir na leabhar</i>									
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2011	72,987	68,124	543	325	573	245	27	2,889	261
Ar 1 Meán Fómhair 2010	74,614	69,610	366	463	498	301	45	3,076	255

Leagadh luach nialasach ar thalamh na hInstitiúide ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (an dáta tosaithe) agus luacháladh na foirgnimh a bhí ann ar an dáta céanna ar bhonn costais dhímheasta athsholáthair.

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14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Buildings										Fixtures &		Other Assets					
	Land & Buildings		in Course of Construction		Fittings incl. Prefabs		Computer Equipment		Plant & Machinery		Motor Vehicles Equipment		Furniture & in Course of Construction					
	Total	€'000	Buildings	€'000	Construction	€'000	Fittings	€'000	Computer Equipment	€'000	Machinery	€'000	Vehicles	€'000	Equipment	€'000	Other Assets	€'000
<i>Cost or valuation</i>																		
At 1 September 2010	101,930		89,065		366		1,678		2,389		660		91		7,426		255	
Additions		1,788		138		177		9		432		3		0		1,023		6
Transfers from in course of construction		0		0		0		0		0		0		0		0		0
Disposals		(574)		0		0		0		(325)		0		0		(249)		0
At 31 August 2011	103,144		89,203		543		1,687		2,496		663		91		8,200		261	
<i>Depreciation</i>																		
At 1 September 2010	27,316		19,455				1,215		1,891		359		46		4,350			
Charge for year		3,358		1,624		0		147		344		59		18		1,166		0
Disposals		(517)		0		0		0		(312)		0		0		(205)		0
At 31 August 2011	30,157		21,079		0		1,362		1,923		418		64		5,311		0	
<i>Net book value</i>																		
At 31 August 2011	72,987		68,124		543		325		573		245		27		2,889		261	
At 1 September 2010	74,614		69,610		366		463		498		301		45		3,076		255	

Institute land on 1st January, 1993 (date of commencement order) was valued at nil and buildings existing on the same date were valued on a depreciated replacement cost basis.

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15. FÉICHIÚNAITHE AGUS RÉAMHÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ

	Nóta	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit		449	1,196
Táillí Teagaisc		284	428
Deontais Chothabhála Neacha Léinn	20	11	32
Féichiúnaithe Eile		376	912
Réamhíocaíochtaí & Ioncam Fabhraithe		408	310
Deontais Stáit & Deontais Chaipitil Eile		635	1,466
Deontais Taighe & Conarthaí		501	198
		2,664	4,542

16. CREIDIÚNAITHE AGUS COSTAIS FHABHRAITHE

Íocaíochtaí a fuarthas roimh ré:

- Táillí Clárúcháin Neacha Léinn	1,266	1,699
- Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	833	651
- Táillí Teagaisc	82	83
- Cistiú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn	406	193
	2,587	2,626

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Creidiúnaithe Trádála agus Fabhraithe

ÍMAT	700	507
ÁSPC	314	361
Cáin Ioncaim Choiinnithe	11	18
Creidiúnaithe Trádála	435	568
Fabhruithe	2,079	1,823
Cáin Chorparáideach		3
	6,126	5,906

17. DEONTAIS CHAIPITIL IARCHURTHA

Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair

74,594 75,105

Deontais Chaipitil Infhála:

Deontais Chaipitil Stáit – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	434	1,632
Cionroinnte ón Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit - Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	1,095	1,082
Cionroinnte ón Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit - Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhise Sláinte	3	9
Cistiú Caipitil Eile	251	180
	1,783	2,903

Scaoil d'Ioncam:

Amúchadh i gcomhréir le dímheas	3,346	3,412
Scaoil d'Ioncam re NBV ar Dhiúscairtí	58	2
	3,404	3,414

Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa

72,973 74,594

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15. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Note	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
State Recurrent Grant		449	1,196
Tuition Fees		284	428
Student Maintenance Grants	20	11	32
Other Debtors		376	912
Prepayments & Accrued Income		408	310
State & Other Capital Grant		635	1,466
Research Grants & Contracts		501	198
		2,664	4,542

16. CREDITORS AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

Payments received in advance:			
- Student Registration Charges		1,266	1,699
- Research Grants & Contracts		833	651
- Tuition Fees		82	83
- Student Support Funding		406	193
		2,587	2,626
<i>Trade Creditors and Accruals:</i>			
PAYE		700	507
PRSI		314	361
Income Tax Withheld		11	18
Trade Creditors		435	568
Accruals		2,079	1,823
Corporation Tax			3
		6,126	5,906

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17. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS

Balance at 1 September		74,594	75,105
 Capital Grants Receivable:			
State Capital Grants - Higher Education Authority		434	1,632
Allocated from State Recurrent Grant- Higher Education Authority		1,095	1,082
Allocated from State Recurrent Grant- Health Service Executive		3	9
Other Capital Funding		251	180
		1,783	2,903
 Release to Income:			
Amortisation in line with depreciation		3,346	3,412
Release to Income re NBV on Disposals		58	2
		3,404	3,414
 Balance at 31 August		72,973	74,594

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18. TEAGMHAIS

Ní raibh aon Dliteanais Theagmhasacha ann.

19. CEANGALTAIS CHAIPITIL AR CONRADH ACH GAN BHEITH SOLÁTHRAITHE

Bhí Ceangaltais Chaipitil measta dar luach €327,310 ann ag deireadh na tréimhse.

20. DEONTAIS CHOTHABHÁLA NEACHA LÉINN

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	(32)	(10)
Fáltais ón ÚAO (Rannóg na gColáistí)	5,203	5,549
Fáltais ón ÚAO (Aonad Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn)	1,843	1,902
Íocaíochtaí le Neacha Léinn	(5,185)	(5,566)
Íocaíochtaí le Neacha Léinn (Breisithe)	(1,840)	(1,907)
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(32)</u>

Déanann an Institiúid próiseáil ar íocaíochtaí le neacha léinn i dtaca le deontais chothabhála mar a chuireann an CGO nó Údarás Áitiúil in iúl. Cuireann an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaiochta cistiú ar fáil do na híocaíochtaí sin agus cuireann an Ciste Sóisialta Eorpach (CSE) cómhaioniú ar fáil. Níl na hidirbhearta sin cuimsithe ar leithligh sa Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais.

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21. LÍON NA bhFOSTAITHÉ CÓIBHÉISEACHA LÁNAMEARTHA (FCL) ATÁ FOSTAITHE

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Lánaimseartha	487	501
Páirtaimseartha	184	182
Iomlán	<u>671</u>	<u>683</u>

22. CÚLCHISTE CAIPITIL FORBARTHA

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Iarmhéid tosaigh ar 1 Meán Fómhair	8,426	6,981
Aistriú ón gCuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais	860	1,445
	<u>9,286</u>	<u>8,426</u>
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(10)	0
Méid an chiste ar 31 Lúnasa	<u>9,276</u>	<u>8,426</u>

Is éard atá sa Chúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha ná na méideanna atá curtha ar leataobh as na táillí Clárúcháin Neacha Léinn a íocann na Neacha Léinn atá cionroinnt do Shaoráidí Neach Léinna sa todhchaí.

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18. CONTINGENCIES

There were no Contingent Liabilities

19. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS CONTRACTED FOR BUT NOT PROVIDED

Estimated capital commitments of €327,310 existed at the end of the period.

20. STUDENT MAINTENANCE GRANTS

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Balance at 1 September	(32)	(10)
Receipts from HEA (Colleges Section)	5,203	5,549
Receipts from HEA (Student Support Unit)	1,843	1,902
Payments to Students	(5,185)	(5,566)
Payments to Students (Top ups)	(1,840)	(1,907)
Balance at 31 August	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(32)</u>

The Institute processes payments to students in respect of maintenance grants which are notified by the relevant VEC or Local Authority. Funding for these payments is provided by the Department of Education and Science with co funding provided by the European Social Fund (ESF). These transactions are not included separately in the Income and Expenditure Account.

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21. NUMBER OF WHOLETIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES EMPLOYED

	2011	2010
Full-time	487	501
Part-time	184	182
Total	<u>671</u>	<u>683</u>

22. CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT RESERVE

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Opening balance at 1 September	8,426	6,981
Transfer from Income & Expenditure Account	<u>860</u>	<u>1,445</u>
	9,286	8,426
Transfer to Capital Account	(10)	0
Amount of fund at 31 August	<u>9,276</u>	<u>8,426</u>

The Capital Development Reserve represents amounts set aside from Student Registration fees paid by Students which have been allocated for future Student Facilities.

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23. FIGIÚIRÍ COMPARÁIDEACHA

De réir mar is gá, tá atheagar curtha ar na figiúirí comparáideacha agus tá siad athluaithe ar an mbonn céanna le figiúirí na bliana reatha.

24. NOCHTADH IDIRBHEART - BAILL AN BHORD RIALAITHE

I ngnáthchúrsaí gnó, féadfaidh an Institiúid socrutithe conartha a dhéanamh le gnóthais ina bhfuil baill an Bhord Rialaithe fostaithe nó a bhfuil leasanna acu iontu ar chaoi eile. Tá gnáthaimh glactha ag an Institiúid de réir an Chód Rialachais d’Institiúidi Teicneolaíochta in Éirinn i dtaca le noctadh leasanna ag baill an Bhoird agus chloígh an Institiúid leis na gnáthaimh sin le linn na bliana.

25. FOGHNÓTHAIS AGUS GNÓTHAIS GHAOLMHARA

Cuireann GMIT Catering Company Limited, cuideachta ar leithligh gan scarchaipiteal ar bith agus faoi theorainn ráthaíochta, na háiseanna lónadóireachta ar fáil san Institiúid. Tá an Institiúid freagrach as an gcuideachta a réachtáil. Tá tortaí na cuideachta comhdhlúite sna Ráitis Airgeadais seo. Cuimsíonn an Cuntas Comhdhlúite Ioncaim & Caiteachais, an Clár Comhardaithe agus an Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid ar leathanaigh 94 go 100 eolas maidir leis an GMIT Catering Company Limited. Tá tortaí airgeadais na cuideachta leagtha amach thíos don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lunasa 2011:

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Díolacháin	1,467	1,588
Costais Foirne	761	801
Tomhaltáin & Costais Eile	698	752
Caiteachas Iomlán gan Dímheas san Áireamh	1,459	1,553
Dímheas	12	5
	1,471	1,558
Brabús Glan tar éis Dímheasa	(4)	30
Brabús Tosaigh	113	83
Brabús Carntha	109	113

26. FAOMHADH NA RÁITEAS AIRGEADAS

D’fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe na Ráitis Airgeadais ar 11 Iúil, 2012.

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23. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Where necessary, the comparative figures have been reorganised and restated on the same basis as the current year figures.

24. DISCLOSURE OF TRANSACTIONS • GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS

In the normal course of business, the Institute may enter into contractual arrangements with undertakings in which Institute's Governing Body members are employed or otherwise interested. The Institute had adopted procedures in accordance with the Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology in relation to disclosure of interests by members of the Board and the Institute has complied with these procedures during the year.

25. SUBSIDIARY AND RELATED UNDERTAKINGS

The catering facilities in the Institute are provided by GMIT Catering Company Limited, a separate company having no share capital and limited by guarantee. The Institute is responsible for the running of the company. The results of the company have been consolidated in these Financial Statements. The Consolidated Income & Expenditure Account, Balance Sheet and Cashflow Statement on pages 95 to 101 include information relating to the GMIT Catering Company Limited. Set out below are the financial results of the company for the year ended 31 August:

	2011 €'000	2010 €'000
Sales	1,467	1,588
Staff Costs	761	801
Consumables & Other Expenses	698	752
Total Expenditure excluding Depreciation	1,459	1,553
Depreciation	12	5
	1,471	1,558
Net Profit after Depreciation	(4)	30
Opening Profit	113	83
Accumulated Profit	109	113

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26. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Financial Statements were approved by the Governing Body on 11th July, 2012.

