

OVERVIEW



What is the Leaving Certificate Applied?



- It is a distinct, self-contained two-year Leaving Certificate programme aimed at preparing students for adult and working life
- It emphasises forms of achievement and excellence which the established Leaving Certificate has not recognised in the past

Who would benefit most?

- Students who are not adequately catered for by other Leaving Certificate programmes
- Students who choose not to opt for those programmes

Rationale

- Prepares students for adult and working life
- Recognises talents of all pupils
- Promotes communication and decision making skills
- Applies knowledge and skills to the solution of real problems

Curriculum

Vocational Preparation & Guidance

English & Communications

Mathematical Applications

Information Technology

Vocational Specialisms

Arts Education

Languages

Leisure & Recreation

Social Education

Elective Modules

Assessment



3 Modes

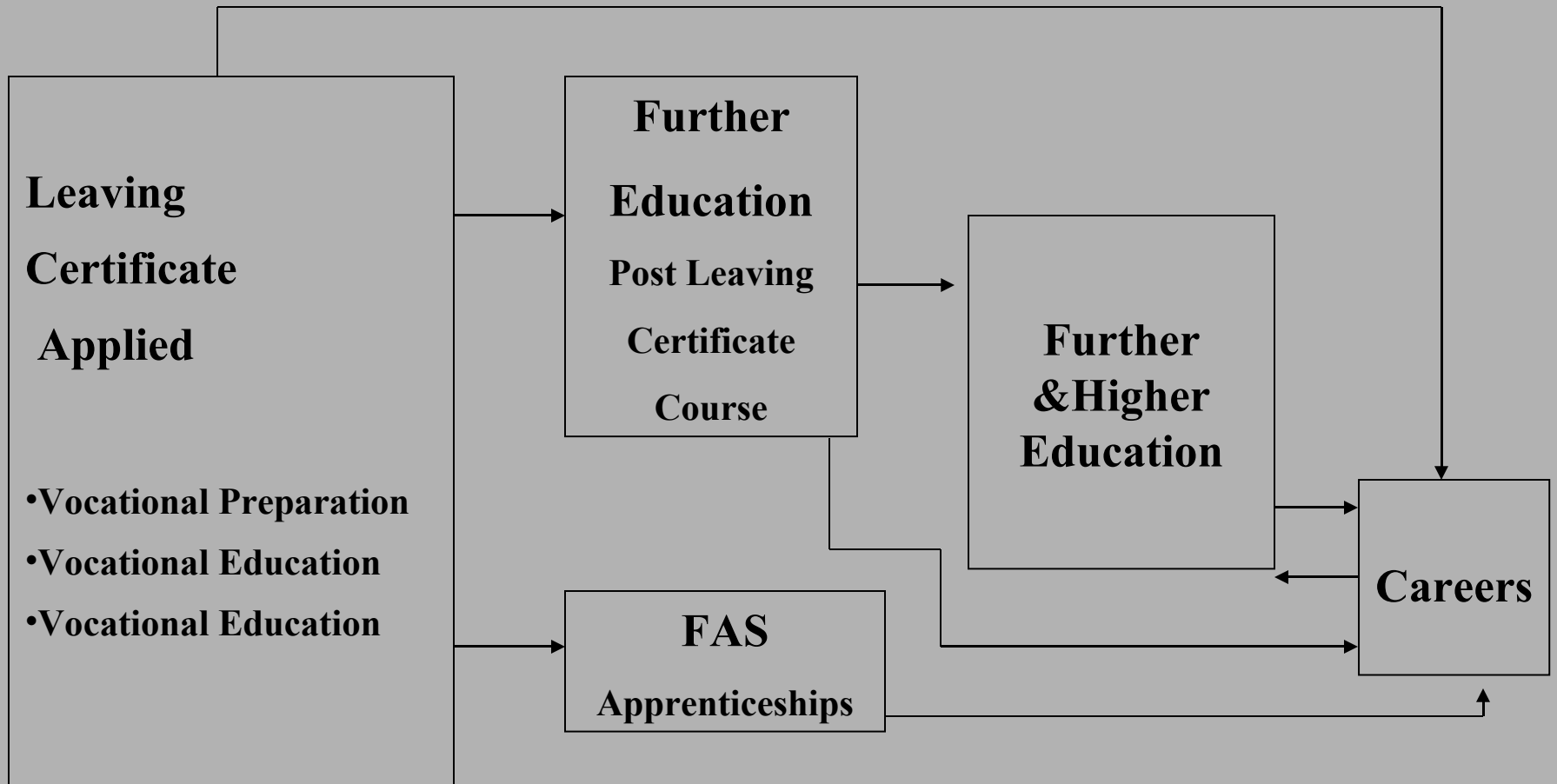
Satisfactory completion of Modules	62 credits (31%)
7 Student tasks	70 credits (35%)
Final examinations	68 credits (34%)
Total	200 credits (100%)

Certificate awarded at three levels:

Pass	60-69 %	(120 - 139 credits)
Merit	(70-84 %)	(140 - 169 credits)
Distinction	(85-100 %)	(170 - 200 credits)

Opening up New Options

The Leaving Certificate Applied Route Map



Leaving Certificate Applied

Destination of learners 1998 to 2000

	98	99	2000
•CERT Courses	3%	4.25%	5%
•Apprenticeships	14%	16.65%	19%
•Post Leaving Certificate Courses	27.5%	23.35%	22%
•FAS Main Line Courses	1.5%	3.46%	2%
•Teagasc Courses	1%	2.23%	3%

Other Courses 0.50% 0.010% 0.0%