

Master's Admissions Checklist

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Required Supporting Materials:

We require a selection of supporting materials for your application. Please make sure that you submit all the required supporting materials to successfully complete the admissions process. Your application will not be reviewed until all supporting materials have been received.

How to submit your supporting materials:

Please request a dropbox link from the admissions team at filmscoring@pulsecollege.com. Collate your materials as per the MA checklist below and upload them as a single PDF if possible to the dropbox assigned to your application with the subject line "First name, Last name, title of material Audio/video files can be uploaded also with the subject line "First name, Last name, title of composition".

Portfolio of Work:

Please submit **three** original compositions, created with a visual idea in mind and presented as either audio or audio/video files, [MP3 or QuickTime], **two** of which must be accompanied by a notated score.

Two letters of Reference:

References should come from an academic source and a professional source. The letters must be requested by you, be written in or translated in to English and be sent by the provider or be sent by you to admissions team either by post [Pulse College, 20 Ringsend Rd, Dublin 4, Ireland] or by email [filmscoring@pulsecollege.com]. The letters must be on headed paper, signed by the referee and contact titles and contact details for referee.

Résumé/curriculum vitae:

Include your personal details, educational achievements and work experience in English. Please ensure your skype address is included in your cv.

Statement of Purpose:

This is your opportunity to tell us about your musical background and qualifications, yours skills and strengths and why you would like to pursue the MA in Scoring for Film and Visual Media at Pulse College. (Must be written in English and between 1000 - 1500 words).

Sources of Finance:

Provide a brief outline of your sources of finance for the MA Scoring for Film and Visual Media Fee and for living expenses in Ireland for the duration of an academic year. List the name of the potential source and the amount of monies estimated to receive from it. This can include personal sources of finance, scholarships, loans etc.

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Undergraduate Degree (recommended):

An upper second class undergraduate degree in music or visual media at NFQ Level 8 or the international equivalent is highly recommended. However, candidates without a primary degree but who can demonstrate their creative potential, professional knowledge and/or experience within the field can apply. We are seeking applicants with experience in composition and orchestration. If you have not achieved an undergraduate in music, we would expect that you have the equivalent of at least, Grade 8 theory exam, ABRSM, or an equivalent – We would like to know more about your level and understanding of music theory.

If you have successfully concluded your undergraduate degree, please include a PDF of your undergraduate degree certificate. We ask for an undergraduate degree with a minimum second class honours, **upper division II.1 at level 8** or the **international equivalent using ECT (European Credit Transfer)**. You will need to send transcripts. [See transcripts below]

Transcripts:

We require transcripts for your undergraduate degree. If you are completing your undergraduate degree please send unofficial transcripts. Transcripts from academic institutions outside Ireland, must be evaluated by an independent and recognised third-party credential evaluation service such as **NARIC Ireland Foreign Qualifications service** Please include a screenshot of this verification in your application documents. In the event that you are unsuccessful in sourcing the evaluation from NARIC please use an independent and recognised third-party credential evaluation service, such as the Education Evaluators International or Education Credential Evaluators. We require a course-by-course evaluation sent directly to our postal address, Pulse College. 20 Ringsend Rd, Dublin 4, Ireland.

English Exam:

For you to receive and benefit from the fullest academic and professional experience during the MA program, it is fundamental that you can communicate well in both spoken and written English. If English is your second language, you must submit the results of one of the following standardised tests. However, if you completed your undergraduate studies at an English speaking university, this requirement may be waived.

TOEFL: iBT (internet-based): 90; computer-based: 233; paper-based: 570

IELTS: Academic Version 6.5 with no individual band below 6

Pearson Test of English Academic: 73

Cambridge English Language Exams: **Certificate in Advanced English** [CAE] Grade A

Cambridge English Language Exams: **Business English Certificate** [BEC] or higher

Applicants who took a TOEFL test can use the following code to send Pulse College their score results; code number B001.

Admissions Review:

Once we have received your supporting materials, the Board of Admissions will review your application, taking all your skills and strengths into consideration. Applicants selected for an interview, will be contacted by email to the email address you provided us on your application.