



Colleges to host information evening

NUI Galway and its partner College, St. Angela's College Sligo, will jointly hold an Information Evening at 7pm on tomorrow Thursday, 28 January, in the Clarion Hotel, Sligo. The event is for students who are considering applying to NUI Galway or St Angela's College. Parents and guardians are also encouraged to attend.

The event is very timely, as Leaving Certificate students in County Sligo and around the country are currently filling in their CAO college applications, which have a deadline of Monday, 1 February.

The Information Evening will commence with a series of short talks about the courses on offer. Current students and representatives from the five colleges of NUI Galway and from all departments of St. Angela's College will be on hand at information stands to answer any questions visitors may have.

There will also be information available for Leaving Certificate students who

qualify under the Higher Education Access Route (HEAR) and Disability Access Route to Education (DARE). NUI Galway is now operating the two new schemes, HEAR and DARE, which enable students to enter the University with reduced points in their Leaving Certificate examinations, and St Angela's College is also participating in the HEAR scheme.

HEAR is an admissions scheme for students from backgrounds who, for cultural and economic reasons, do not normally apply to third-level education. DARE is a third-level admissions scheme for school leavers with disabilities.

Caroline Loughnane, Director of Marketing and Communications at NUI Galway, is one of the organisers of the event: "This is an excellent opportunity to talk to representatives from both NUI Galway and St Angela's College about subjects of interest. It's also a chance to find out about practical issues like College accommodation, fees and scholarships".