

General Course Information

NCLA

Laser courses are organised by the National Centre for Laser Applications, NUI Galway. The centre was established in 1989 as a centre of excellence in laser technology to support and encourage the use of lasers in Irish industry. The centre achieves these objectives by offering clients access to state-of-the-art laser facilities and expertise in the form of collaborative and contract research projects, training, technology transfer, consultancy and sub-supply services.

Lectures

All courses include classroom sessions. Course presenters include:

- Professor Tom Glynn, founder and director of the NCLA, and head of the School of Physics in NUI, Galway,
- Dr. Gerard O'Connor, manager of fundamental research at the NCLA and senior lecturer in the School of Physics,
- Mr. Tony Flaherty, manager of outreach services at the NCLA,
- Dr. Richard Sherlock, commercialisation manager at the NCLA and lecturer in the School of Physics.

Combined, they have over 60 years experience in laser technology and have given over 50 laser-related courses for industry. Additional NCLA research and engineering staff are available for demonstrations and consultations.

Workshops

The NCLA has the largest selection of laser equipment in Ireland. Most of our courses include practical sessions in our state-of-the-art laboratories, where set-up, processing techniques, and safety controls are demonstrated. Attendees have the opportunity to gain some hands-on experience and discuss their own laser processes.

Course Schedules, Fees and Booking

Course dates and prices are listed on the BESTNET web site at <http://www.bestnet.ie> and can be booked through BESTNET. Places are limited to provide the best possible opportunity for the participants and lecturers to interact in a productive and informal way. You are advised to book early to ensure your place.

If you are interested in custom courses, please contact NCLA for a no-obligation discussion.

Directions

NCLA is located on the ground floor of the physics department in the science building (concourse). See <http://www.nuigalway.ie/lighthouse/location.html> or http://www.nuigalway.ie/campus_map/ for directions.

There are many hotels and B&Bs in Galway. Details of accommodation and other facilities in Galway can be found at <http://www.galway.net>.

Parking

Those without a university parking permit may only park in the blue "pay and display" car parking spaces. The rate is €6 per day. Clamping is in operation. The spaces fill up early during term time so you are recommended to allow plenty of time in case you need to find alternative parking off-campus.