

A DAY IN THE LIFE

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In secondary school, I excelled with numbers and always knew I would want a career where I could apply this skill. I also enjoy the outdoors and spent a lot of my spare time hiking and swimming, which intensified my desire to study surveying. The idea of working in an office did not appeal to me and knowing there was plenty of opportunities to work outside really helped with my decision.

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As a fourth-year student of TU Dublin's BSc. Geospatial Surveying, Layan Sulaimani has experienced first-hand the tremendous opportunities available within this industry.

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“Geospatial Surveying is the study of land including measurements, mapping, and management. There is a broad spectrum of disciplines to explore whilst on this course that can progress you further in your chosen career path.”

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“Over the four years of my degree, I have learned many new theoretical and practical skills that have given me confidence to start work with any company. With a relatively small class, the environment was welcoming to questions which enhanced the learning experience. In addition to the classroom environment, there were plenty of opportunities to attend conferences and events linked to surveying to grow your connections.”

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Layan was recently sponsored to attend The Hydrography Society UK & Ireland's exhibition in Dublin Castle, one of many events available to students in Geospatial Surveying. As part of her undergraduate studies, Layan also completed a 4-month work placement with Jones Engineering, which gave her the vital opportunity to apply the skills that she had learned.

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“So far, the best bit about surveying is tackling different tasks every day. Every project is different, requiring a unique solution each time. The locations also vary, allowing you to explore the country and experience some beautiful sceneries. This creates variety in your days to never get bored. All in all, the entire experience in this course has been positive, and I would highly recommend leaving cert students to apply if they like solving problems and flexibility in their working environment.”

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