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Erasmus Student Information Guide 2025-2026

International Office Contact Details

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Application Procedure

Application Procedure	Students will be required to complete an online application.
	Details will be emailed to the students when their nomination has been received.
Supporting Documents	Students are also required to submit the following documents along with the online application form:
	 Transcript of Records (an official version and an English version) Learning Agreement Photo ID
Nomination Deadline 9th May 2025 – Autumn Semester and Full-Year Students	Friday, 6 th June 2025 – Autumn Semester and Full-Year Students
12th September 2025 – Spring Semester StudentsApplication Deadlines	Friday, 10 th October 2025 – Spring Semester Students

Orientation Dates

Students are required to attend orientation, which takes place before the start of their semester.

Autumn Orientation Dates: Wednesday 3rd, Thursday 4th and Friday 5th September 2025

Spring Orientation for Erasmus students: Thursday 8th and Friday 9th January 2026

Semester Dates

Autumn Semester 2025 (Semester 1)

Autumn Semester	Monday 8 th September – Friday 19 th December 2025
Dates	
Study Review	Monday 1 st December – Friday 5 th December 2025
Week	
Autumn	Monday 8 th December – Friday 19 th December 2025
Examinations	
Christmas Recess	Saturday 20 th December 2025 – Sunday 11 th January 2026

Spring Semester 2025 (Semester 2)

Spring Semester	Monday 12 th January – Friday 8 th May 2026
Dates	
Easter Recess	Sunday 28 th March – Sunday 12 th April 2026
Study Review Week	Monday 20 th April – Thursday 23 rd April 2026
Spring Examinations	Friday 24 th April – Friday 8 th May 2026

Learning Agreement

UCC is happy to accept learning agreements via the Online Learning Agreement Platform. Please enter the following coordinator details for both contact and responsible persons: Learning Agreements are provisional documents until all modules are confirmed in September.

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Language Courses

English language courses are available at the Language Centre, UCC. During the first week of each semester, the Language Centre arranges for an informal assessment of the standard of students interested in attending English language classes. Advice is given about which course is most appropriate. Please note that students are required to pay for most English language courses.

Language Requirements

Lectures are usually conducted in English, so good knowledge of English is essential. International students must master English sufficiently to understand lectures and use English textbooks.

We do not require Erasmus students to provide English language certificates. We trust that nominated students have a sufficient level of the language to take part in lectures and lessons.

Booking Your Accommodation (HOUSING)

- 1. Youwill receive an application form with your acceptance letter (Spring semester students will receive this form in September). It is essential to complete the form immediately to add yourself to the housing list.
- 2. Please check your emails regularly. You will be required to accept a place within 48 hours of being offered.
- You will only receive one offer for accommodation. If you choose not to accept it or do
 not respond within the required timeframe, you will lose your place, and it will be
 offered to another student.
- 4. Accommodation can cost up to €5,000 per semester.



Course/Module Information

Visiting Students can only choose modules from

The Book of Modules for Visiting Students.

It also includes the list of modules exclusively available to visiting students.

Credits: It is recommended that students take modules worth 30 UCC credits per semester. Students are not generally allowed to choose more than this, but they can take less with permission from their provider or home university. You should consult your home university regarding how many credits you should take.

Even though every effort will be made to ensure that students will be admitted to their preferred module choices, the International Office **CANNOT GUARANTEE** admission to any particular module. All modules are subject to change/timetable conflict/cancellation at any time

Modules marked as needing departmental approval on the module description:

This process will be completed by the International Office at time of module selection. Your academic transcript and module request will be sent to the relevant department for review.

You must have an academic background (studied classes) in that area to support your request.

*Students planning on graduating early or needing very specific classes

Entry into classes is not guaranteed so please do not rely on taking them at UCC. We ask that you are flexible and work with your home university about preparing 'back up' modules.

Module Levels

EN1*** = 1 St	EN2*** = 2 nd	EN 3 *** = 3 rd	EN 4 *** = 4 th
year module	year module	year module	year module
EN5*** & EN6*** = postgraduate modules			

Semester 1- Autumn Semester- September to December

Semester 2- Spring Semester- January to May

Year Long- Full Academic Year- September- May (Semester-only students cannot apply for Year Long modules)

Book of Modules for VisitingStudents

Click here to check what modules are open to Visiting Students

<u>Book of Modules for Visiting Students</u>



ONLINE ENROLMENT

Instructions for Online Enrolment: Autumn/Full Year:

Accepted students will receive instructions for the above in mid-August.

Instructions for Online Enrolment: Spring Semester:

Accepted students will receive instructions for the above in mid-November.

TIMETABLES

Instructions on completing your timetable will be issued with the above information.

Students will need to prepare their timetable. We suggest that students have 'back-up' modules prepared if you have a timetable conflict and need to change classes.

MODULE SELECTION AND CONFIRMATION OF MODULES

Accepted students will receive instructions for the above in mid-August for the Autumn Semester and mid-November for the Spring Semester.

Online enrolment must be completed to select your modules.

Exam	Dates
Autumn Examination s	December (Exact dates will be provided on the information guide students receive for the relevant year) No alternative arrangements can be made.
Spring/Summ er Examinations	April/May (Exact dates will be provided on the information guide students receive for the relevant year) No alternative arrangements can be made.

Registering with Irish Immigration- after arrival

Information provided below is subject to change without prior notice.

Those of you who enter Ireland with a non-European Union passport will be required to register with Immigration in Dublin city in order to obtain your Irish Residence Permit (IRP)Card.

- UCC International Student SupportWebsite:
 https://www.ucc.ie/en/international/studentinfohub/afteryouarrive/immigrationinformation/
- Department of Justice Immigration website: Information on registering your immigration permission for the first time - Immigration Service Delivery

Detailed information about the process will be provided at orientation

This card will enable you to travel in and out of the country during your semester at UCC.

(If you have an Irish, EU or UK passport, we advise that you produce this to immigration officials when you enter the country and you will not be required to register with Immigration).

Do I need a visa to enter Ireland:

- Checkyour country (passport) requirements here
- It is the student's responsibility to be aware of visa and immigration rules

Arriving at the airport in Ireland

- Please PRINT your letter of acceptance and have it ready to show the immigration officer
- Please click on the link here: Suggested documents to present at border control Immigration Service Delivery

How do I register my permission?

Step 1:

You must make an appointment with the Registration Office.

- During busy periods, you could be waiting up to 6 weeks (or more) for an appointment
- UCC does not have access to appointment availability times

Step 2:

What to bring to your appointment

- Visiting/Erasmus non-European students will be in Ireland on a stamp2A
- Website: Required Documents Immigration Service Delivery

• First Time Registrations

We will provide an information session on this process at orientation

- The biometric page of your current valid passport(s). This is the page that shows your photograph, passport number and date of birth.
- A copy of the **Learning Agreement** including details of the sending organisation, the receiving organisation and the student, signed by the receiving organisation and the student. It must set out the date your course commenced, the programme of study to be undertaken and the learning outcomes for the student.
- Aletterfrom UCC confirming your enrolment (Called 'Letter of Attendance' available from UCC)

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- Proofyou have paid UCC fees (UCC WILL PROVIDE THIS LETTER TO EACH STUDENT)
- Private Medical Insurance or Travel Insurance with medical cover for accidents and medical incident including hospital stays in Ireland, valid for 12 months, or if less than 12 months for the duration of your stay.
- Proof of your exam results (Your academic transcript from your home university)
- Proof of financial support: Subject to change
- https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/information-on-student-finances/
- ► €7,000 for courses resulting in residence of greater than 8 months
- ➤ €585 permonth or €4,680 (intotal) for courses resulting in residence of 8 months or less.
 - **If you need a visa to come to Ireland, you do not need proof of finance after you arrive here which was checked during the visa application process)
- Registration fee(300euro)

Step 3:

What to expect during your appointment

During your registration appointment, you will:

- Have your documents reviewed.
- Haveyourphotograph and fingerprints taken.
- Pay afee

The visit should take no longer than 30 minutes.

What happens next?

- ${\color{red} {\tt 2}} \qquad \textbf{They will postyour IRP card to the address you gave them.}$
- 2 Youshould receive it within 10 working days.
- 2 You can now use your IRP to travel in and out of Ireland during the semester

Relevant links

Here are link stol mmigration Service Delivery (ISD) and Garda National Identity Bureau (GNIB) information that you may find useful.

- Irish Residence Permit (IRP) Whatitis. Whatitlooks like. How it works.
- Immigration Permission Stamps What they are. The various types available. How they work.
- Appointment to register your permission Use this if your eside in the Republic of Ireland.
- <u>Documents needed to register your immigration permission</u> Use this if you're registering your permissionforthefirsttime.
- Registration Fees Find out the fee that applies to your permission stamp.

Other Useful Information

Health insurance	Health insurance is a requirement for Immigration.	
	Medical Insurance- Immigration Website	
Passport	Students will need a valid passport. Please check the expiry date.	
Visa to enter Ireland	Click here: Do I need a visa to enter Ireland?	
Academic Transcripts	Original transcripts of records will be sent directly to your home school or study abroad provider when your studies at UCC have been completed.	
	Autumn Semester Students – official transcripts will be issued by March.	
	Full Year and Spring Semester Students – official transcripts will be issued in mid-July. Please keep the above in mind if you are graduating after your semester at UCC.	
	UCC will not be in the position to provide transcripts or results before the above dates which may affect your graduation.	
Clubs and Societies	https://www.ucc.ie/en/sport/ https://www.ucc.ie/en/societies/	
Visiting Student Website:	Visiting Student Website	
Student Counselling	Student Counselling Website	
Disability Support Department	<u>Disability Support Website</u>	
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