

# Destination DUBLIN

UCD is situated in Ireland's capital city, Dublin, which is located on the east coast and from which you can easily reach all of Ireland's hotspots, its world-renowned landscapes and two UNESCO World Heritage sites.



# **Dublin...**



# ...is friendly and popular!

Dublin is one of the three most visited capital cities in Europe, and is regularly voted friendliest city in Europe by TripAdvisor.

### ...is all about the craic (fun)!

The pubs, coffee shops, and music venues of Dublin are important meeting and social venues and you can enjoy coffee in a bookshop, have a drink overlooking the city, and see musicians perform any night of the week.



# ...is an eventful city

Dublin hosts many annual events such as the St Patrick's Festival, Chinese New Year Festival, Culture Night, the Dublin Film Festival, and is home to the national football and rugby teams.



# ...has food to cater for everyone's tastes

Dublin has a vibrant, young, multicultural population, and the city centre is packed with food stores and restaurants to suit everyone's budget and tastes. There is an Asian strip just north of the River Liffey and the many supermarkets in the city centre stock ingredients from around the world.



### ...has an incredible arts and performance scene

Dublin has spawned jaw-dropping creative talent, and amazing authors as well as being home to a multitude of world famous bands and actors. Dublin also has a vibrant stage scene and theatres have performance runs throughout the year. You can also take many tours in Dublin, where the guides will make history come alive through their stories!

# Destination UCD

UCD has an excellent reputation, justified by its position as number one in Ireland across many areas and among the TOP 1% of higher education institutes worldwide.







With almost 8,000 international students from 138 countries UCD has the largest international student population in Ireland.



# **Global Community**

Many of the 239,000 global alumni network, living in 165 countries, hold positions in leading organisations around the world.



#### International Staff

International academics make up over 30% of UCD's faculty, and over 50% of UCD research-funded staff is non-Irish.



#### Research

UCD has the highest volume of publications across all Irish universities. It is the number one university globally on citations per paper in the area of Food Science.



#### Culture

UCD is recognised as one of Europe's largest archives of oral tradition and cultural history. UCD is also home to the National Folklore Collection, and inscribed in 2017 to the UNESCO Memory of the World Register.



#### **Sport**

UCD is an outstanding university for sports, with a community of athletes competing at elite levels of their sports.





### **Education**

- Ranked among the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide.
- The best internationally accredited curriculum in Ireland.
- The widest range and choice of degrees for students.
- The best teaching and learning structure for quality education.
- The most flexible, fully modularised curriculum in Ireland.



#### **Global Connections**

- UCD is a member of several international research and education networks such as Universitas 21 (U21), the World Universities Network (WUN), and UNICA.
- UCD has global centres in Beijing, Delhi, Kuala Lumpur, Dubai and New York (as well as staff based out of Chicago and Los Angeles).
- UCD provides and accredits degree programmes overseas in cooperation with partner institutions in China, Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong and Sri Lanka.
- UCD established the first Confucius Institute in Ireland in 2006. It has been
  declared "Confucius Institute of the Year" three times, and 2018 saw the first
  custom-designed Confucius Institute building in the world open at UCD.

# Life on CAMPUS

The main UCD Belfield campus has a huge range of facilities including restaurants, cafés, bookshop, bike shop, barber shop, post office, bank, bar, grocery store, large student centre and outstanding sports facilities.



#### UCD GLOBAL LOUNGE

There are areas all over campus where students can hang out, notably the UCD Global Lounge, which is an area designed for and staffed by students.

#### **UCD STUDENT CENTRE**

**Student Centre** facilities include a state-of-the-art 3D cinema, drama theatre, debating chamber, 600-seat auditorium, meeting rooms for student clubs and societies, TV studio, radio pod, seminar room, medical centre, pharmacy, barber and newsagent, UCD Clubhouse (bar and function room), cafés, shops and social spaces.

Our modern **Sport and Fitness Centre** has an extensive range of amenities, catering for students of all fitness levels, from casual gymuser to olympic athlete. Facilities include a 50 metre swimming pool, gym, and multiple courts and pitches. Student Gym Membership entitles current UCD students to free access to the UCD Sport & Fitness Gym and the Performance gym.

UCD's **Student Societies** organise multiple events throughout the year, and are a great social network for students. The International Student Society organises regular trips throughout Ireland, and there are societies and clubs to cater for many interests.

Campus safety is a priority, and 24-hour security is in operation.





# Contact the International Office in your University

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