INFORMATION SHEET 2016/2017

The UCD Lochlann Quinn School of Business is the leading Undergraduate Business School in Ireland. The School is also the only Irish School to hold both the AACSB (International) accreditation and the top European accreditation, EQUIS. With our postgraduate college, UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate School of Business, holding the prestigious AMBA accreditation, we are the only Business School in Ireland and one of a small group of Schools worldwide to hold the ‘Triple Crown’ of Accreditation. The School is also a member of some key international networks such as PIM and GNAM.

RELEVANT DATES

NOMINATION AND APPLICATION DEADLINES: The deadline to receive nominations is 1st May for semester 1 and full year students and 1st October for semester 2 students. Online application instructions are forwarded via e-mail to students upon receipt of official nominations. The deadline to complete the process is 15th May 2016 for semester 1 and full year students and 15th October 2016 for semester 2 students.

TERM DATES: [www.ucd.ie/students/keydates.htm](http://www.ucd.ie/students/keydates.htm)

Semester 1 Teaching Term: 12th September- 2nd December 2016. Exams: 10th to Friday 22nd December 2016


ORIENTATION SESSIONS: A Business orientation session as well as many other activities and social events organized by UCD International Office take place during the week before the start of each semester.

CREDITS AND GRADING

UCD uses the European Credit Transfer System. Modules are generally worth 5ECTS credits each. A full semester workload is equivalent to 30ECTS credits. Erasmus/Exchange students can take a maximum of 30ECTS credits per semester. They can also take less than 30ECTS if allowed by their Home University. Four modules is the minimum in order to be considered full-time for immigration purposes. Students may choose from a range of over fifty modules. These modules are from the third and second year of our Bachelor of Commerce Degree Programme (BComm). Further academic information can be found in the [Quinn School of Business](http://www.ucd.ie/quinn) webpage.

EXAMS take place at the end of each semester. Repeat examinations are available at the end of the following semester. Information about UCD grading system and UCD examinations can be found on the [UCD Assessment webpage](http://www.ucd.ie/). Passing grades: A, B, C and D. Passed modules can’t be repeated. Failing grades: Below D. No credit is awarded.

IT REQUIREMENTS: Lochlann Quinn School of Business operates a compulsory laptop policy. More details upon application.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Language of instruction: English. Students are expected to have adequate English language skills to follow lectures and take examinations through English while in UCD. English language guidelines can be found on the [UCD Admissions webpage](http://www.ucd.ie/). (IELTS 6.5/TOEFL 600. A min score of 100 in internet based TOEFL)

Very important! Students who need to apply for a visa must check with the relevant Embassy to see whether an English language certificate is required as part of the visa application process.

English and other foreign language modules are offered by [UCD Applied Language Centre](http://www.ucd.ie/). Each language module is worth 5ECTS credits.
VISA and IMMIGRATION: Students should check the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service webpage for full details on application procedures and to see whether you require a visa to study in Ireland. You should also check out the website of the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs for details of the Irish Embassy attached to your country.

Registering with the Garda National Immigration Bureau (GNIB): All non-EU/EEA students must register with the GNIB after they have registered with UCD and before the stamped date on their passport. GNIB will issue you with a residence permit/GNIB card. The fee for this card as of January 2016 is €300. Further information is available in the Immigration section of the UCD International Office webpage.

HEALTH INSURANCE:
EU Nationals in possession of the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) are entitled to public health services in Ireland.

Non-EU Nationals: UCD doesn’t arrange health insurance for students. You can purchase insurance in your home country, however you will need to ensure that it is valid in Ireland and in any other countries you plan to travel to. Students are advised to read their policy documents carefully. The GNIB require that your health insurance must cover you up to €25,000 for in-hospital treatment.

LIVING EXPENSES: Estimate of a monthly student budget: €668 without accommodation or insurance. For further information please visit UCD International Office webpage.

WORKING IN IRELAND
EU/EEA Nationals have the same entitlement to take up employment as that of an Irish person.

Non-EU/EEA Nationals: Students who are attending a full-time course of one year’s duration are entitled to seek employment on a casual basis. Casual employment means you can work for 20 hours per week during term time or full-time (up to 40 hours) during normal college holidays. One semester students cannot seek employment.

For further information, please visit the Working in Ireland section of the UCD International Office webpage.

ACCOMMODATION
On campus accommodation is available at both the Belfield and Blackrock campuses. UCD has set aside a large proportion of on-campus rooms for international students. However, places are limited and we regret that we are unable to guarantee accommodation to all international students.

Students will receive further information upon application. Please check UCD Residences webpage for on campus and off campus accommodation information.

UCD STUDENT LIFE: CAMPUS FACILITIES
STUDENT SERVICES and SUPPORT
Library and School of Business Library
Computing Services
UCD Global Lounge
Restaurants and Cafes
Post office
Bank Services
UCD Students’ Union
State of the art Student Centre with a cinema, theatre, debating chamber, a pharmacy etc.
Excellent sporting facilities, including an Olympic size pool, gym, climbing wall, courts, halls and pitches etc.
Student Advisers
Student Health services

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES: There are over a hundred clubs and societies registered with the Students’ Union ranging from sports to academic interests ie: Erasmus Student Network UCD, International Students’ society etc.