INFORMATION SHEET 2020/2021 INCOMING STUDENTS

UCD is a vibrant, modern University with almost 30,000 students including over 5,000 international students from 127 countries. It is Ireland's most popular University for international students.

UCD is situated on a spacious and leafy campus about 5 km to the south of Dublin city centre.

2,050STUDENTS ENROLLED

The **UCD Lochlann Quinn School of Business** is the leading Undergraduate Business School in Ireland. It combines the excitement of University life with one of the most progressive education programmes in the world. Students have access to superb range of facilities including technology enhanced classrooms, collaboration studios, extensive coworking spaces, KPMG Skills zone, Think Lab, EY Entrepreneurship and Innovation Hub etc

Your Contacts at UCD:

500 VISITING STUDENTS

+65
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<u>UCD GLOBAL OFFICE</u> provides support to all international students attending UCD.

INFORMATION for incoming interantional students can be found in UCD Quinn School of Business webpage UCD Global Office webpage

ACCREDITATIONS

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 and has fully subscribed to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Management education.















ACADEMIC INFORMATION

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 email to students upon receipt of official nominations. The deadline to complete the process is 15th May for semester 1 and full year students and 15th October for semester 2 students.

TERM DATES 2020/2021

Semester 1: Orientation week: 1st-4th September 2020/ Teaching term: 7th September-27th November 2020/ Exams: 7th to 18th December **2020**

Semester 2: Orientation week: 12th-15th January 2021/ Teaching term: 18th Jan—23th April 2021 / Exams: 4th - 15th May 2021.

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 <u>UCD</u> Admissions webpage.

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 pro-



IT REQUIREMENTS: Lochlann Quinn School of Business operates a compulsory laptop policy. Further details can be



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. Eras-

mus/ Exchange students can take a maximum of **30ECTS credits per semester**. Four modules is the minimum in order to be considered full-time for immigration purposes.

Students may choose from a range of over seventy modules. Further academic information can be found in the <u>Quinn</u> <u>School webpage</u>. Before making the module selection, students should carefully check that they meet the recommended pre-requisites and previous learning requirement of each module.

ASSESSMENT: Business modules are taught by a series of formal lectures/classes together with a strong emphasis on course work outside of class. Each module is comprised of two to three hours of formal classes per week for a twelve-week semester. Assessment is built around the complementary understanding of theory and practice. Modules are assessed via various methods incorporating continuous assessment, individual and group project work and examinations. Formal exam assessment takes place at the end of each semester, December for semester 1 modules and May for semester 2. Repeat examinations are available at the end of the following semester.

Passing grades: A, B, C, D. A letter grade is the final aggregate result of all assessment components completed for a given module. Passed grades can't be repeated.



LIVING IN IRELAND

VISA and IMMIGRATION: Students should check



the <u>Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service webpage</u> 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 <u>Irish Department of Foreign Affairs</u> for details of the Irish Embassy attached to your country.

Registering with the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service (INIS): All students from outside the EU/EEA, whether you require a visa or not, must register with INIS after they have registered with UCD and before the expiry date stamped on their passport by the immigration officials at the airport. Students must book an appointment in advance.

Further information can be found in the <u>the Immigration section</u> of UCD Global Office webpage.



HEALTH INSURANCE:

EU Nationals in possession of the European Health Insurance Card (<u>EHIC</u>) 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. GNIB require that your health insurance must cover you up to €25,000 for in-hospital treatment. Further information is available in the Health section of the UCD International





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

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LIVING EXPENSES: Monthly estimated budget: € 668 without accommodation or insurance. For further information please visit

UCD Global 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 Global Office webpage.

ACCOMMODATION:

On campus accommodation is available at both the Belfield and Blackrock campus. 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. Please check UCD Residences webpage and UCD Global Office for on campus and off campus accommoda-

UCD STUDENT LIFE

CAMPUS FACILITIES STUDENT SERVICES AND SUPPORT

While on campus, students have access to a wide range of services and facilities including:

- UCD Global Lounge
- State of the art <u>Student Centre</u> with a cinema, theatre, debating chamber, a pharmacy
- Excellent <u>sporting facilities</u>, including an Olympic sizepool, gym, climbing wall, courts, halls and pitches
- Restaurants and Cafes
- Post Office & Bank Services
- <u>Student Advisers</u> and <u>Student Health services</u>