

TUTORTINDER Presentation

SLIDE 2: Of UCC's 21,204 Undergraduate and Post-graduate students, 9,966 of them commute daily to campus. Over 4000 students applied for the total of 1,277 beds available in UCC's student accommodation for the 2018/2019 academic year.

A lack of new student accommodation being built combined with rising student numbers has created a housing crisis around UCC. This has led to an increase in the number of students choosing to commute to college and an increase in the commuting distance.

These students face longer daily commutes and a reduction in free time available for studying, working and other commitments. Longer commuting times create barriers to access student supports such as grinds services.

Commuting students relying on public transport cannot properly take advantage of the student supports offered by UCC. This leaves them at a significant disadvantage if they require grinds as their lack of free time compounded with their distance from UCC makes sourcing suitable grinds tutors almost impossible. This will cause them to suffer come exam time.

SLIDE 3: Our app, TUTORTINDER aims to solve this problem, by acting as a peer to peer platform facilitating the sourcing of grinds based on location. It utilises the swipe format that students are already familiar with to provide a seamless experience for the user. The current system offered by UCC, Grinds Centre, only provides the student with the general location of the tutor. Using TUTORTINDER the student can select a radius of up to five kilometres from their current location and the app will then provide them with a list of tutors meeting their requirements . It also provides an inbuilt chat messenger so all of their communications are stored in one place.