### Information for Students applying for Exchange

**Global Relations** 

A.	A. University		University College Dublin (UCD)	
			https://www.ucd.ie/global/learningabroad/exchanges/inboundexchange-	
			students/	
В.	. Country		Ireland	
c.	Academics			
	i)	Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home Faculty before the exchange. You can check with the SEP Coordinator at the Dean's Office of your home Faculty.	
		Transier	Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your Faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities when you are preparing your Study Plan.	
	ii)	Academic	Trimester 1 Early September to Late December	
		Calendar	Trimester 2: Mid-January to Mid-May	
			http://www.ucd.ie/students/keydates.htm	
	iii)	Exchange Duration	Single semester exchange is recommended.	
	iv)	Examination	Students have to take the final examinations at UCD at the end of the semester before returning to NUS.	
	v)	Curriculum Structure	UCD uses the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). A full course load is 30 credits per semester. At undergraduate level, most modules are worth 5 credits and students take six modules per semester.	
			Exchange students may take fewer modules if allowed by their NUS Dean's Office. Students need to take a minimum of 20 ECTS in order to meet their visa/residency requirements.	
	vi)	Minimum	(i) a minimum NUS CAP score of 3.0 out of 5.0 scale; or	
		Requirements to Apply	<ul><li>(ii) a minimum 'B' grade in the current/intended discipline/major; or 70% average marks or ranking in the top one-third of the class;</li><li>(iii) no single grade below 'C';</li></ul>	
	vii)	Language Proficiency	As proof of English language proficiency, it is highly recommended that you upload a scanned copy of your Singapore Cambridge O-Levels certificate of	
		Requirements	Grade C or better for English.	



	You have to check directly with UCD Global ( <u>incoming.exchanges@ucd.ie</u> ) if you wish to use your Singapore Integrated Programme Cambridge A Levels (SIPCAL) with General Paper as proof of English proficiency.	
	Please refer to <a href="https://www.ucd.ie/registry/prospectivestudents/admissions/policiesandge">https://www.ucd.ie/registry/prospectivestudents/admissions/policiesandge</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/minimumenglishlanguagerequirements/">nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/minimumenglishlanguagerequirements/</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/minimumenglishlanguagerequirements/">https://www.ucd.ie/registry/prospectivestudents/admissions/policiesandge</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/minimumenglishlanguagerequirements/">nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/minimumenglishlanguagerequirements/</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/minimumenglishlanguagerequirements/">nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/">nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/">nearlinegulations/generalrequirements/</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulations/">nearlinegulations/</a> <a href="mailto:nearlinegulat&lt;/th&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;th&gt;viii) Faculties &amp;&lt;br&gt;Schools&lt;br&gt;accepting&lt;br&gt;exchange&lt;br&gt;students&lt;/th&gt;&lt;th&gt;&lt;ul&gt; &lt;li&gt;College of Arts &amp; Humanities&lt;/li&gt; &lt;li&gt;College of Business&lt;/li&gt; &lt;li&gt;College of Social Sciences &amp; Law&lt;/li&gt; &lt;li&gt;College of Engineering &amp; Architecture&lt;/li&gt; &lt;li&gt;College of Science&lt;/li&gt; &lt;li&gt;College of Health &amp; Agricultural Science (excluding Medicine, Nursing and Veterinary Medicine)&lt;/li&gt; &lt;/ul&gt;&lt;/th&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;th&gt;ix) Modules Compatibility&lt;/th&gt;&lt;th&gt;The courses listed in UCD's online application form will be reviewed and should be considered for reference only. The course list is only finalised at a later date.  UCD will contact each applicant via email to share the course registration form. Students &lt;a href=" mailto:must"="">must</a> return a course registration form to UCD by August for Trimester 1 exchange and by November for Trimester 2.  UCD Global registers students for their chosen courses depending on capacity, timetabling and prerequisites. Students have a two-week add/drop period from the first day of classes to make changes to their course registration.  You may refer <a href="mailto:here">here</a> for UCD Module Guide for Incoming Exchange Students AY 2021/22.  Course catalogue for exchange students: <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/students/course search.htm">http://www.ucd.ie/students/course search.htm</a> .	
x) Module restrictions	Graduate modules are not open to undergraduate exchange students  Please note that module restrictions may apply in the areas of Health & Agriculture Sciences, Education, Psychology, Business, Law, English Literature and History.  Please see <a href="here">here</a> for more information.	
D. Application		



#### i) Procedures

Students should be nominated by NUS to UCD before they submit the online application form. Applicants must upload their supporting documents onto UCD's online application portal.

Successful students will receive their actual module enrolment information from UCD via the offer email in June for Trimester 1 and in November for Trimester 2 exchange.

Please follow the specific requirements stated in UCD's application instruction guide when uploading the supporting documents. More information is found online at <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/international/exchange-programmes/incoming-exchanges/non-eu-english-speaking/">http://www.ucd.ie/international/exchange-programmes/incoming-exchanges/non-eu-english-speaking/</a>.

The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in the SharePoint. Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean's Office for the link to the SharePoint.

#### ii) Deadlines

All NUS students must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home Faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

#### E. Accommodations

## i) University Accommodation

Accommodation application instructions will be emailed to students by UCD after the students have been accepted to UCD. You will receive information on how to apply for accommodation in June (for Full Year & Trimester 1 students) or November (for Trimester 2 & continuing students)

#### On Campus Accommodation:

UCD has on-campus accommodation for over 2,500 students in both halls of residence and three, four, five and six-bedroom self-catering apartments. These are spread across five locations, with 300 places located on the nearby Blackrock Campus. However, places are limited and on-campus accommodation is <a href="mailto:not guaranteed">not guaranteed</a>. More information is available at <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/residences/">http://www.ucd.ie/residences/</a>

Details of the costs of the various on-campus residences are found at: <a href="https://www.ucd.ie/residences/bookings/finance/">https://www.ucd.ie/residences/bookings/finance/</a>.

On-campus accommodation rental cost <u>must be paid in full</u> at the start of each semester.



## ii) Private Accommodation

For more information on off-campus housing, please visit <a href="https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/accommodation/offcampusaccommodation/">https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/accommodation/offcampusaccommodation/</a>.

Alternatively, students can arrive 2-3 weeks before term begins in order to search for suitable accommodation. There is enormous demand for accommodation in the areas of Dublin surrounding UCD. The search starts in August and increases throughout September/October.

Students should note that it is always advisable to view private accommodation in advance and read the fine print in order to ascertain that it suits your requirements.

#### F. Visa

# Consular/Visa Regulation

All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they receive the official offer letter/email from their host university.

The visa application process could take up to 2 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on clearance by the immigration of the host country.

Please check if you need a visa here: <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Immigration-Service-Delivery-Visa-and-Non-Visa-Required-Countries.pdf">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Immigration-Service-Delivery-Visa-and-Non-Visa-Required-Countries.pdf</a>

All students who do NOT hold an EU passport must register with the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service (INIS) after arrival in Ireland. Further information on the requirements to register can be found on the INIS website: <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/before-and-after-you-arrive/what-do-i-need-to-do-after-arriving/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/before-and-after-you-arrive/what-do-i-need-to-do-after-arriving/</a>.

UCD's Immigration FAQs for Students: <a href="https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/visasandimmigration/">https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/visasandimmigration/</a>

#### G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

# i) Health/Medical Insurance

Non-EU students are advised to obtain private health insurance which have a minimum coverage of €25,000 for in-hospital treatment in an Irish hospital. UCD does not arrange health insurance for students. Students can purchase insurance in their home country but will need to ensure that it is valid in Ireland and in any other countries to which they plan to travel.

Basic medical expenses insurance is available for approximately €160 from Study and Protect. This insurance policy will satisfy the visa requirement for private health insurance and can be obtained before students arrive in



	Ireland. For more information on this insurance, please visit: <a href="https://www.studyandprotect.com/Student-Medical.aspx">https://www.studyandprotect.com/Student-Medical.aspx</a> All registered NUS students are covered under the group personal accident and medical insurance as well as the student travel insurance. For more				
	information on the insurance coverage, please refer to <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a> .  If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.				
ii) Emergency Number at host university	Tel : (353) 1 716 7999				
H. Cost of Living					
Estimated Monthly Living Expenses	Information on cost of living can be found at <a href="https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/scholarshipsfinances/livingcosts/">https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/scholarshipsfinances/livingcosts/</a>				
I. Useful Links					
Exchange Information and Pre-arrival Guide	https://www.ucd.ie/global/learningabroad/exchanges/inboundexchange- students/				
COVID-19 Updates	https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/covid-19faqs/covid- 19faqsforprospectiveincomingexchangestudents/				

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