



OLLSCOIL LUIMNIGH University of Limerick

Information Sheet 2015-2016

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Relevant websites	General (university) information for Erasmus students: http://www.ul.ie/international/en/home/erasmus-exchange/erasmus/ University of Limerick website: http://www.ul.ie/	

<p>Dates for academic year 2015/2016</p>	<p>Autumn Semester: Orientation: 03rd and 04th September 2015 Start lectures: 07th September 2015 Christmas break: 18th December 2015 to 01st January 2016 Examinations: 05th December to 18th December 2015</p> <p>Inter-term break: 04th to 22nd January 2016</p> <p>Spring Semester Orientation: 21st and 22nd January 2016 Start lectures: 25th January 2016 Easter break: 21st March to 28th March 2016 Examinations: 03rd May to 16th May 2016</p>
<p>Application deadlines</p>	<p>Full Academic Year: 30th June 2015</p> <p>Autumn Semester: 30th June 2015</p> <p>Spring Semester: 31st October 2015</p>
<p>Application procedure</p>	<p>Nomination as an Erasmus student at the University of Limerick takes place before the above-mentioned dates. Once the student has been officially nominated by the home University International Office, they will receive e-mail confirmation with the address of a link and a step-by-step guide to the online application procedure. Information on modules is included in this e-mail. The online application system will be open for one month prior to the closing deadlines noted above.</p> <p>Applications will not be accepted after the deadline.</p>
<p>Language requirements</p>	<p>All incoming Erasmus students are required to possess sufficient language skills to attend lectures and sit examinations. Students should be competent to communicate through the medium of English prior to arrival at the University of Limerick. English as a Foreign Language course is available to Erasmus students within the University taught programme, as a module.</p>
<p>Intensive Language Course</p>	<p>The Language Centre of the University of Limerick offers an intensive language course for 3 days the week prior to the start of the semester. The tuition fee is 250 Euro. Language Centre website: www.ul.ie/languagecentre</p>
<p>Insurance requirements for incoming exchange students</p>	<p>All EU students are eligible to avail of full medical services in Ireland, on presentation of a European Health Card. The European Health Card provides entitlement to public health care for medical treatment. Additional private health care can be obtained from the following Irish Health Insurance companies, VHI (www.vhi.ie) or Laya Healthcare (http://www.layahealthcare.ie/) or a special rate offered by Odon Insurance (https://www.odon.ie/index.php/ul)</p>

<p>Immigration</p>	<p>All non-EU students coming to the University of Limerick are required by the Irish Department of Justice (www.justice.ie) to register with the local Gardai (Irish police). VISA applications should be made through the Irish Embassy in the home country.</p> <p>Immigration fee or GNIB is €300</p>
<p>Special Needs/Disabilities</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The student's home institution shall inform UL of the student's disability and their needs in full. 2. The student's home institution shall confirm with UL that supports are available at UL. 3. The home university must confirm that funding will be provided to facilitate any/all supports, for example, scribes, transport, carers/assistants, hire or purchase of equipment etc. 4. A signed letter from the home institution coordinator outlining all of the above should be provided at nomination stage.
<p>On Campus Accommodation</p>	<p>Once the placement at the University of Limerick is confirmed, the International Education Division will forward an on-campus accommodation form. Please note accommodation cannot be booked until the placement at UL has been confirmed. A number of single rooms have been reserved for Erasmus students in the 5 student villages. Campus accommodation is limited and is allocated on a first come first served basis. Booking forms must be accompanied by a 250 Euro booking deposit. If you are attending UL for the Autumn semester only, you are advised not to reserve on-campus accommodation, but to select off-campus residences or private accommodation. Application forms for on campus accommodation should be returned to:</p> <p>Ms Deirdre Ryan Accommodation Office Deirdre.Ryan@ul.ie For more information on accommodation, see http://www.campuslife.ul.ie/</p>
<p>Off Campus Accommodation</p>	<p>There are several off-campus residences, details of which are provided at http://www.ul.ie/international/en/home/quicklinks/accommodation The accommodation office will assist with private off-campus accommodation. A list is available on request either from Deirdre.ryan@ul.ie or from Erasmus@ul.ie You are advised to view before paying a deposit.</p>
<p>Approximate cost of living per month</p>	<p>The total cost of living for students in Ireland is estimated at approximately 1000 Euro per month.</p>

<p>Orientation:</p>	<p>The Orientation Programme, organised by IED, introduces students to the various services and systems in operation at the University of Limerick e.g. enrolment, module registration, health services, sports facilities and entertainment. The Orientation Programme takes place over a two day period on the Thursday & Friday before the beginning of each semester. During the Orientation programme, students meet their UL Academic Coordinator to discuss module choices.</p> <p>Please note it is compulsory for all students to attend Orientation.</p>
<p>Transport:</p>	<p>Students coming to the University of Limerick are advised to travel to Shannon airport, which is 20 km from Limerick. Bus Eireann runs buses from Shannon Airport to Limerick city centre which costs approx 8 Euro.</p> <p>Taxi costs from the Airport to the University of Limerick vary from 35 – 40 Euro, book ahead with plasseycabs@eircom.net</p> <p>A regular bus service runs between the University campus and the city centre.</p> <p>Dublin airport (2 to 4 hour journey to Limerick) has the following bus service to Limerick:</p> <p>Bus Eireann: http://www.buseireann.ie/</p> <p>J.J. Kavanagh: http://jjkavanagh.ie/</p> <p>M7 Express: http://dublincoach.ie/timetables/dublin_coach_journey_planner.php</p>
<p>Modules:</p>	<p>Erasmus students are required to take 3 modules from within the subject area of the Erasmus+ Agreement and may take a further two modules outside this subject area. Acceptance on these modules is subject to academic prerequisites, timetabling constraints and number of students enrolled.</p>
<p>ECTS Credits:</p>	<p>The normal course load at the University of Limerick is 5 modules per semester. Erasmus students are limited to a maximum of 5 modules and a minimum of 3 modules per semester. Each course is awarded 6 ECTS credits.</p>