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UNIVERSITY OF GALWAY

Study Abroad & Exchange *Fact* Sheet

2025-2026

University *of* Galway.ie

Useful Info

Address:	University of Galway University Road, Galway, Ireland
Website:	universityofgalway.ie
Office address:	Global Galway, 42/43 Lower Newcastle, Galway, Ireland.
Study Abroad website:	universityofgalway.ie/global-galway/studyabroad

Contact Info

General enquiries:	_____ universityofgalway.ie
Renewals and new agreements:	_____ universityofgalway.ie
Further enquiries:	_____ universityofgalway.ie

Fast Facts:

- Ireland's only *bilingual* university

- Over 175 years' experience providing university education.

- Ranked in the top 2% of universities worldwide

- One of three Irish universities ranked in the top 100 universities in Europe (QS World University Rankings: Europe 2025)

- World top 47 for UN Sustainable Development Goals (THE Impact Rankings)

- Galway voted the #1 'Most Charming City' by the New York Times

- Over 20,000 students with more than 170 societies and clubs

Application Procedure

Application requirements:	Minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent). Students applying for Science and Engineering courses will have their applications assessed by the relevant disciplines before being accepted to take relevant modules. For English Language Requirements, visit our website.
Application timelines:	Full Year/Semester One: 1 February to 30 April Semester Two: 1 August to 31 October Nominations for exchanges can be emailed to studyabroad@universityofgalway.ie during these dates
How to apply:	Apply online via the appropriate application form on the study abroad website. Students must also submit the following via email to studyabroad@universityofgalway.ie: • Up-to-date official transcript • Copy of passport or birth certificate • A passport size photograph

Academic Information

Course catalogue:	All courses offered to visiting students are listed in our handbooks located on our website.
How many modules/credits can be taken in each semester?	Each class is weighted at 5 or 10 ECTS credits. You can take up to 30 ECTS credits per semester, which is a normal course load for University of Galway students.
Where can I find timetables?	Timetables are available on discipline websites. These are linked in the relevant discipline area of the student handbook.
When will academic transcripts be sent?	Within 6 weeks of the end of the examination period, transcripts will be sent to the international offices of partner institutions.

Academic Calendar 2025/2026

	Semester One	Semester Two
Orientation	Thursday, 4 September to Friday, 5 September	Thursday, 8 January to Friday, 9 January
Start of Teaching	Monday, 8 September	Monday, 12 January
End of Teaching	Friday, 28 November	Thursday, 2 April
Exams Start	Monday, 8 December	Tuesday, 21 April
Exams End	Friday, 19 December	Friday, 8 May
Public Holidays	Monday, 27 October	Monday 2, February Tuesday, 17 March Friday, 3 April to Monday, 6 April Monday, 4 May Monday, 1 June Monday, 3 August

A complete list of academic term dates are available online.

Accommodation

On-campus accommodation:	University of Galway offers some accommodation on-campus in our student residences. We host a lottery for on campus accommodation after our applications deadline. Students will be contacted directly with information on how to apply for the lottery via email.
Off-campus accommodation:	University of Galway's Accommodation Advisory Service offers advice and assistance. University of Galway has a purpose-built portal for off-campus accommodation called Studentpad.
Note: Accommodation demand is always high; we highly recommend students start their accommodation search as soon as possible. Students should also be on high alert for accommodation scams.	

Useful Links

University of Galway offers a wide range of services for students. Click on the buttons to find out more.

Accommodation

Library

Restaurant Facilities

Student Health Services

Student Counselling

IT Support

Disability Services

Extra-Curricular Activities