



# UNIVERSITY of LIMERICK

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## Information Sheet 2017-2018

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<b>Relevant websites</b>	General (university) information for Erasmus students: <a href="http://www.ul.ie/international/en/home/erasmus-exchange/erasmus/">http://www.ul.ie/international/en/home/erasmus-exchange/erasmus/</a>  University of Limerick website: <a href="http://www.ul.ie/">http://www.ul.ie/</a>	

<p><b>Dates for academic year 2017/2018</b></p>	<p><b>Autumn Semester:</b>  Welcome Week: Commences Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017  Teaching term: 4<sup>th</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017  Examination period: 2<sup>nd</sup> December to 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017</p> <p><b>Inter-term break: 2<sup>nd</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b></p> <p><b>Spring Semester:</b>  Welcome Week: Week Commencing 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018  Teaching term: 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 to 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018  Easter break: 26<sup>th</sup> March to 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2018  Examination period: 30<sup>th</sup> April to 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018</p> <p>Welcome Week Dates Subject to Change</p>
<p><b>Application deadlines</b></p>	<p><b>Full Academic Year:</b> 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017</p> <p><b>Autumn Semester:</b> 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017</p> <p><b>Spring Semester:</b> 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017</p>
<p><b>Application procedure</b></p>	<p>Nomination as an Erasmus student at the University of Limerick takes place before the above mentioned dates. Nominations are to be emailed to the Incoming Erasmus Administrator by the International Office at the Home University. Once the student has been officially nominated, they will receive e-mail with an application link and a step-by-step guide to the online application procedure. Once students have completed their application they will be e-mailed with further information regarding accommodation, modules etc.</p> <p><b>Applications will not be accepted after the deadline.</b></p>
<p><b>Language requirements</b></p>	<p>All incoming Erasmus students must possess sufficient language skills to attend lectures and write examinations in English. A <b>B2</b> level of English is required but we do not require a certificate. Students should be competent to communicate through the medium of English prior to arrival at the University of Limerick.</p> <p>English as a Foreign Language course is available to Erasmus students within the University taught programme, as a module.</p>
<p><b>Intensive Language Course</b></p>	<p>The Language Centre of the University of Limerick offers an intensive language course for 3 days during the week prior to the start of the semester. The tuition fee is 250 Euro.</p> <p>Language Centre website: <a href="http://www.ul.ie/languagecentre">www.ul.ie/languagecentre</a></p>

<p><b>Insurance requirements for incoming exchange students</b></p>	<p>All EU students are eligible to avail of full medical services in Ireland, on presentation of a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). The EHIC provides entitlement to public health care for medical treatment. Additional private health care can be obtained from the following Irish Health Insurance companies, VHI (<a href="http://www.vhi.ie">www.vhi.ie</a>) or Laya Healthcare (<a href="http://www.layahealthcare.ie/">http://www.layahealthcare.ie/</a>) or a special rate offered by Odon Insurance (<a href="https://www.odon.ie/index.php/ul">https://www.odon.ie/index.php/ul</a>)</p>
<p><b>Immigration</b></p>	<p>All non-EU students coming to the University of Limerick are required by the Irish Department of Justice (<a href="http://www.justice.ie">www.justice.ie</a>) to register with the local Gardaí (Irish police). VISA applications should be made through the Irish Embassy in the home country.</p> <p>Immigration fee or GNIB card is €300</p>
<p><b>Special Needs/Disabilities</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The student's home institution shall inform UL of the student's disability and their needs in full.</li> <li>2. The student's home institution shall confirm with UL that supports are available at UL.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>4. A signed letter from the home institution coordinator outlining all of the above should be provided at nomination stage.</li> </ol>
<p><b>On-Campus Accommodation</b></p>	<p>Once the placement at the University of Limerick is confirmed, the International Education Division will forward an on-campus accommodation form.</p> <p><b>Please note accommodation cannot be booked until the placement at UL has been confirmed.</b></p> <p>A number of single rooms have been reserved for Erasmus students in the 5 student villages.</p> <p>On-campus accommodation is limited and is allocated on a first come first served basis.</p> <p>The closing date for autumn semester/full year applications is <b>22<sup>nd</sup> July 2017.</b></p> <p>The closing date for spring semester applications is <b>25<sup>th</sup> November 2017.</b></p> <p>There is a non-refundable Booking Fee on application of €50, with a Damage Deposit due 29<sup>th</sup> July 2017 of €200.</p> <p>On-campus accommodation for the Autumn semester is limited. It may only be possible to obtain accommodation in a residence situated outside the campus or in private accommodation. Application for on-campus accommodation should be returned to:</p> <p>Accommodation Office  <a href="mailto:accommodation@ul.ie">accommodation@ul.ie</a></p> <p>For more information on accommodation, see :  <a href="http://www.studentliving.ul.ie">www.studentliving.ul.ie</a></p> <p>All necessary information will be e-mailed to students once they have completed their application.</p>

<p><b>Off Campus Accommodation</b></p>	<p>There are several off-campus residences, details of which are provided at <a href="http://www.ul.ie/international/erasmus/incoming-students/accommodation">http://www.ul.ie/international/erasmus/incoming-students/accommodation</a></p> <p>The accommodation office will assist with private off-campus accommodation. A list is e-mailed to students from the International Office.</p> <p>As with the booking of any private accommodation, students need to be aware of fraudulent persons purporting to be landlords/landladies on Facebook, Internet sites or other media. Do not pay money to persons for accommodation, unless you are absolutely sure that they are genuine. You are advised to view any properties before paying a deposit.</p>
<p><b>Approximate cost of living per month</b></p>	<p>The total cost of living for students in Ireland is estimated at approximately 1000 Euro per month.</p>
<p><b>Welcome Week</b></p>	<p>Welcome Week is organised by IED and 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.</p> <p>Welcome Week takes place the week prior to commencement of classes.</p> <p>Students will be given a time to meet the UL Erasmus Academic Coordinator to discuss module choices.</p> <p><b>Please note it is compulsory for all students to attend Welcome Week.</b></p>
<p><b>Transport</b></p>	<p>Students coming to the University of Limerick are advised to travel to <b>Shannon airport</b>, which is 20 kms 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 <a href="mailto:plasseycabs@eircom.net">plasseycabs@eircom.net</a></p> <p>A regular bus service runs between the University campus and the city centre.</p> <p><b>Dublin airport</b> (2 to 4 hour journey to Limerick) has the following bus service to Limerick:</p> <p>M7 Express: (*change at the RED COW LUAS for Limerick)  <a href="http://dublincoach.ie/timetables/dublin_coach_journey_planner.php">http://dublincoach.ie/timetables/dublin_coach_journey_planner.php</a></p> <p>Eireagle:  <a href="http://www.eireagle.com/routes/limerick-dublin-airport?gclid=CLDiv5PVnMkCFeFQ2wod8PgM8Q">http://www.eireagle.com/routes/limerick-dublin-airport?gclid=CLDiv5PVnMkCFeFQ2wod8PgM8Q</a></p>
<p><b>Modules</b></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. There are restrictions within the areas of Psychology, Sports Sciences and Journalism.</p>
<p><b>ECTS Credits</b></p>	<p>The normal course load at the University of Limerick is 5 modules per semester. Erasmus students are limited to a <b>maximum</b> of 5 modules and a <b>minimum</b> of 3 modules per semester. Most modules are worth 6 ECTS (credits).</p>