

## Thinking about studying in a safe, friendly, English- speaking country?

### Here is all you need to know.



**Ireland is a beautiful island, combining contemporary modern cities with un-spoilt countryside, cityscapes steeped in history and a rich natural habitat. Renowned for friendliness, our safe English speaking country offers the warmest of welcomes to students from all over the world.**

#### **Safe and Friendly**

Ireland was voted by Lonely Planet as the world's friendliest country in 2008 and 2010 and was ranked 12th in the 2009 Global Peace Index. Our hospitable nature coupled with an unrivalled sense of fun ensures living in Ireland is an unforgettable experience. The island's varied environment is ideal for many outdoor pursuits such as climbing, water sports and all kinds of ball and team sports.

#### **English-Speaking**

Ireland, an English speaking country, has close cultural, economic and educational links with the English speaking world, especially with the UK - our next door neighbor - and with the USA. Our qualifications are internationally recognized.

#### **Leading Global Companies in Ireland**

Companies who require a skilled, educated and highly capable workforce to drive their success choose to locate in Ireland. Ireland has welcomed Google, Facebook, Pfizer, Apple, LinkedIn, Siemens and Intel to name just a few - all of whom chose Ireland as their European base.

#### **Ireland's University of Enterprise**

Dublin City University (DCU) is Ireland's University of Enterprise. Situated on an 85 acre campus, DCU has grown rapidly in scale and performance since being established as a university in 1989. DCU prides itself on delivering excellence across all of its activities.

DCU is a young and vibrant university. With a student population of almost 11,500, DCU has close to 2,000 non-Irish students from 115 different countries. Unconventional by nature, DCU broke with the traditional mould and introduced new approaches into the Irish education system. With a focus on enterprise and a reputation as Ireland's most innovative and market-driven university, DCU has created a unique position for itself.

The university prides itself on the DCU Student Experience, with the university commended for the quality of the learning experience and the friendliness of the campus.

## Library

The John and Aileen O'Reilly library is the focal point of the campus. It is symbolic of the importance the university places on knowledge and learning, and the technology for acquiring information. The library has over 1,200 seats and 18 collaborative rooms where students can study in groups. There are 400 computer workstations, all of which are connected to the internet. DCU library has placed live electronic information on an equal footing with the older medium of the printed book and journal. Although there are over 250,000 volumes in the library, DCU will continue to grow with the technological information revolution.

## Sports Facilities

DCU's sports facilities are outstanding. Indoor and outdoor facilities are available and there is a 25m swimming pool. Sporting activity as a whole is encouraged through team sports or individual activities such as aerobic fitness, weight-training, rock-climbing and athletics.

## Accommodation

The accommodation service provides 995 undergraduate rooms and 105 postgraduate rooms in four residential apartment blocks. All the rooms available to students are equipped with broadband internet connections. <http://www.dcuaccommodation.ie/>

## The Hub (student center)

The Hub is the social center of student-based activities and services. The Students' Union is based here, as well as other services such as travel shop, bookshop, recreational areas and venues for student events. This is a vibrant and energetic place for students to meet, socialize and make friends.

## English at Dublin City University

Dublin City University Language Services is the on-campus English language training center within DCU. Courses range from 1 to 36 weeks. <http://www.english.dcu.ie>

## International Student Scholarships

DCU encourages applications from high quality international students and provides several scholarships in this regard. Please see <http://www4.dcu.ie/international/fees.shtml> for full details.

**For further information, visit:**  
**[www.dcu.ie/international](http://www.dcu.ie/international)**

# Why Choose DCU?

- Ireland's only QS Top 50 Under 50 University
- As Ireland's University of Enterprise DCU offers undergraduate and postgraduate degrees of the highest international quality and research opportunities in technology, engineering, business, communications, humanities and science and health.
- 1 Year Post Study Work Visa
- Globally recognised centre of academic excellence in education and research with several national centres of excellence.
- Employment relevant, innovative and interdisciplinary programs at undergraduate and postgraduate level produce highly regarded graduates for the new global workplace.
- INTRA Some undergraduate programs offer integrated work placement opportunities.
- Generation 21 A unique program of initiatives whose purpose is to shape our graduates into rounded individuals who are ready to take their place and succeed in the workforce and in life.
- Invent A state of the art Innovation and Enterprise Centre that promotes research and encourages entrepreneurship.
- Part-Time Work Students can work part time 20 hours per