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Welcome to Dublin City University

Dear Student,

We are delighted that you have chosen DCU for a period of your university education and know that you will benefit greatly from your stay with us. The DCU community looks forward to the intellectual and cultural contributions which I know you will make to the University and in return, we will do everything possible to make your stay academically enriching and personally rewarding.

DCU is multi-campus and although most classes take place on the Glasnevin (GLA) Campus, please be aware that some classes may be timetabled to take place on the All Hallows Campus (AHC) or the St. Pat’s (SPD) campuses. Both are just a short bus ride away from DCU GLA. See maps for details – www.dcu.ie/info/campus.shtml. Timetables are subject to change and you are advised to check this detail prior to classes commencing.

This booklet is produced by the DCU International Office to help you prepare for your study exchange. It will also be a useful reference when you arrive. For additional information or to discuss any specific issues you may be experiencing, please visit the International Office. We are located on the All Hallows Campus.

Penny Storey
Senior Mobilities Officer

Office Hours
Monday – Thursday 9.30 – 13.00 & 14.00 – 17.00
Friday: 9.30 – 13.00 & 14.00 – 16.00

Contact Information
Tel: +353-1-7007441
E-mail: exchange@dcu.ie
Website: www.dcu.ie/international

Address
DCU International Office
All Hallows - Senior House
Gracepark Road
Drumcondra
Dublin 9
Ireland
D09 N920
Preparing to come to Ireland

Immigration Regulations
To determine whether you need a study visa check the most up-to-date information on student visas and other immigration-related issues at http://www.inis.gov.ie. Your local Irish Embassy or Consulate will also be able to advise you.

Required information when applying for a visa:
- Valid passport number
- Date of issue and expiry of passport
- Date, place and mode of arrival in Ireland
- Letter from DCU indicating that they have been offered a place as an exchange student
- Evidence of sufficient funds to cover living and other expenses for the proposed stay
- Recent passport photographs
- Visa application fee (non-refundable)
- Other documents may be required by local consulates

Applications can take between 2 and 8 months to process, so it is advisable to confirm your place early at the University and book an appointment early. The University has no influence over visa issues but will advise where possible. Students must apply for this visa him/herself.

Registration with the Immigration Authorities in Ireland
All students requiring a study visa to enter Ireland must also register at the Irish Naturalisation & Immigration Service (INIS) for permission to remain. Make an appointment online for a date here. Be sure to select a date that is after orientation week.

Required documents
1. A valid passport
2. A student visa (where applicable)
3. Student Card from DCU, valid for the current year
4. Evidence of financial support (e.g. current bank statement indicating your name / a letter of guarantee from a parent or guardian indicating the availability of sufficient funds to cover you during your period of stay in Ireland / letter from your sponsor, confirming financial status)
5. A letter from The International Office at DCU, indicating that you are a registered student at DCU

Address:
Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service
Department of Justice and Equality
13-14 Burgh Quay
Dublin 2
D02 XK70
Ireland
Working in Ireland

Entitlement to Employment
The current hourly rate of payment for a student is approximately €9.80

EU / EEA citizens who are students at DCU have no restrictions on the number of hours they may work. Non-EU/EEA students are entitled to work up to 20 hours part-time per week and full-time during the university holidays whilst studying in Ireland. The entitlement to take up employment ceases once your student visa expires. Following completion of your studies, if you wish to continue in employment, you will require a work permit to do so. Although this entitlement to work certainly eases the financial burden on international students, we would advise that you do not rely solely on this source of income during your stay here. The Irish Naturalization and Immigration Service also expects proof that you will have sufficient funds to cover your period of study in Ireland.

Personal Public Service (PPS) Number:
All employees in Ireland have a PPS number for tax purposes. Therefore, if you intend working in Ireland, you must apply for a PPS number. Applications are made through the social welfare office that is local to your Irish address. You will need to take the following documentation along with you when you make your application:
- Passport
- INIS Registration Card (if non-EU/EEA)
- DCU Student Card
- Proof of Address (gas/electricity bill in your name or bank statement)
- Letter from The International Office at DCU stating that you are a student at the University

Health Insurance
Under EU/EEA regulations, students from other member states who are attending a course of study are entitled to medical service in Ireland. In order to be eligible, for any of these services, you will be required to provide the Irish health authorities with documentation from your home country that validates your entitlement. You should therefore contact the Health Authority in your home country, well in advance of travelling to Ireland, to fulfil any registration requirements and to obtain the necessary forms that you will need. EU citizens should ensure they have applied for their EHIC card before travelling to Ireland.

Students from non-EU countries are not covered for any free medical attention off-campus and must therefore have their own private insurance. Please note that heavy levies are charged for all hospitalisation and it is advised to make provision for adequate medical insurance.

Private Health Insurance in Ireland
Students from outside the EU are required to have private health insurance in place prior to entering Ireland. Students may arrange private health insurance in their own country or through an Irish health insurance company. We would advise all students to review existing schemes offered in their own country for suitability. If this is not an option, please see details of an arrangement DCU has negotiated below.
1. The insurance system is operated by an insurance broker called O'Driscoll O'Neill in Ireland on behalf of Medicover. Medicover Medical Expenses Insurance costs €120 for Third level students, which is good value. The policy is underwritten by ACE Europe.
2. The company can send you an insurance certificate once you pay the amount of €120 by credit card. You must have a valid Mastercard or Visa to operate this system.
3. Click on: www.odon.ie/dcu/ - Confirm the quote of €120, then continue.
4. Please choose Dublin City University (DCU) on the drop down menu.
5. Make sure you provide your correct email address as your certificate will be sent to this.
6. Make your payment by credit card and you will receive the certificate shortly which you can then submit to the Visa Office (for visa requiring countries) and retain for evidence with immigration authorities on arrival in Ireland.

Please note that while DCU has negotiated this arrangement for its students, the University does not accept responsibility for the purchase of health insurance on behalf of a student. Students are advised to read the information carefully to allow them make an informed choice and to contact the company directly should any queries arise.
Accommodation

On-Campus Accommodation
Most on-campus accommodation is allocated by March of the preceding year. If rooms do become available before the start of the next academic year they are offered to students on the waitlist by a lottery. Exchange Students may apply to join the waitlist by creating a profile with the Accommodation Service DCU Rooms, emailing your request to campus.residences@dcu.ie and copying international.office@dcu.ie. As a room on-campus cannot be guaranteed, we strongly advise exchange students to explore all off-campus accommodation options.

Off-campus Accommodation
As a room is not guaranteed we strongly advise you to also explore off-campus accommodation facilities early in order to ensure a place to stay for the duration of your programme and to avoid any disappointment.

Peer-to-peer services
- DCU Students’ Union
- Student facebook group: st pats/marino accommodation

Private Student Residences
Please note that these are privately managed and not linked to Dublin City University or DCU Rooms
- Gateway Student Village
- Shanowen Square
- Shanowen Hall
- Schoolhouse Court
- Uni Nest
- Hazelwood student accommodation managed by two separate companies:
  - HazelWood
  - Harrington Property Management

Private Rental Accommodation
There are a number of commercial websites that students also use to find rooms in shared houses or apartments. Some sites are free to use, some charge fees for their services, and as with all on-line activity be alert for fraudulent posts and suspicious activity.
- CollegeCribs
- Daft
- EasyRoomMate
- HomeStay
- HostingPower.ie*
- Property.ie
- SpotaHome*
*company charges a fee for its services

Filters that identify areas close to the University include:
- Dublin 5: Artane, Killester, Raheny, Donnycarney
- Dublin 7: Phibsboro
- Dublin 9: Beaumont, Santry, Drumcondra
- Dublin 11: Glasnevin, Finglas
Temporary Accommodation

If you have not secured accommodation prior to arrival you may need to stay in temporary accommodation. It is advisable to book a room in a youth hostel or Bed and Breakfast (B&B) well in advance and some options are listed below:

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<td>29 Bachelors Walk, Dublin 1</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 878 0700, Email: <a href="mailto:info@abbey-court.com">info@abbey-court.com</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.abbey-court.com">www.abbey-court.com</a></td>
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<td>Abraham House</td>
<td>82/83 Lower Gardiner Street, Dublin 1</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 855 0600, Email: <a href="mailto:abraham@indigo.ie">abraham@indigo.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.abraham-house.ie">www.abraham-house.ie</a></td>
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<td>Ashfield House</td>
<td>19/20 D’Olier Street, Dublin 2</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 679 7734, Email: <a href="mailto:ashfield@indigo.ie">ashfield@indigo.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.ashfieldhouse.ie">www.ashfieldhouse.ie</a></td>
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<td>Avalon House</td>
<td>55 Aungier Street, Dublin 2</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 475 0001, Email: <a href="mailto:info@avalon-house.ie">info@avalon-house.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.avalon-house.ie">www.avalon-house.ie</a></td>
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<td>Barnacles</td>
<td>Temple Bar House, 19 Temple Lane, Dublin 2</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 671 6277, Email: <a href="mailto:tbh@barnacles.ie">tbh@barnacles.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.barnacles.ie">www.barnacles.ie</a></td>
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<td>Kinlay House</td>
<td>2-12 Lord Edward Street, Dublin 2</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 679 6644, Email: <a href="mailto:kinlay.dublin@usitworld.com">kinlay.dublin@usitworld.com</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.kinlayhouse.ie">www.kinlayhouse.ie</a></td>
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<td>Dublin International Youth Hostel</td>
<td>61 Mountjoy Square, Dublin 7</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 830 1766, Email: <a href="mailto:dublininternational@anoige.ie">dublininternational@anoige.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://anoige.ie/">http://anoige.ie/</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>Isaac’s Hostel</td>
<td>2/5 Frenchman’s Lane, Dublin 1</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 855 6215, Email: <a href="mailto:hostel@isaacs.ie">hostel@isaacs.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.isaacs.ie">www.isaacs.ie</a></td>
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<td>Jacob’s Inn</td>
<td>21-28 Talbot Place, Dublin 1</td>
<td>Tel: +353 1 855 5660, Email: <a href="mailto:jacobs@isaacs.ie">jacobs@isaacs.ie</a>, Website: <a href="http://www.isaacs.ie">www.isaacs.ie</a></td>
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Prices start from approx. €15 per night and weekly rates may be available.
Arriving to Dublin & DCU

Airport Collection Service
The DCU International Office offers an airport collection service for students. The service runs from Dublin Airport to the DCU campus and we will send information on how to book this service directly to students.

Taxis from Dublin Airport to DCU
DCU is located near Dublin Airport on the north side of the city. There is no direct bus connection to DCU from the airport. If you are arriving by plane and planning to come directly to the University you must take a taxi. A taxi from the airport to DCU costs approximately €35. If you intend staying on the DCU campus, you should advise the taxi driver to enter the campus via the Ballymun entrance and ask to be brought to the ‘Residences’ which is clearly signposted on campus.

Ferry Terminals
Sea ferries operate between France and Ireland and Great Britain and Ireland. Dublin has two ferry terminals, located at the North Wall and Dun Laoghaire. North Wall is closer to DCU and Dun Laoghaire is quite far from the campus. If arriving by boat be prepared for an expensive taxi journey or look for suitable public transport options. The ferry companies operating to and from Ireland are:

- Stena Sealink: +353-1-2047777 www.stenaline.ie
- Irish Ferries: +353-1-6610743 www.irishferries.ie
- Brittany Ferries: +353-21-4277801 www.brittanyferries.ie

Buses to DCU
There is no direct bus link from Dublin airport to DCU. Students may take a bus into Dublin city centre and then take one of the following buses to the campus. However, it is advisable to take a taxi if you are arriving with luggage.

DCU is serviced by the following routes: 4, 9, 11, 13, 44, 104
1. Number 44 and 104 stops in DCU Glasnevin Campus.
2. Numbers 11 services the city centre and Kilmacud from Wadelai Park and stops in O’Connell Street. The 11B also services the city centre and Belfield from Wadelai Park.
3. The 13 services the city centre and Merrion Square from Poppintree.
4. The 9 services the city centre and as far as Limekin Avenue from Jamestown road.
5. More information on buses that service near DCU can be found at: http://www4.dcu.ie/info/get_to.shtml

Students can get full timetables of buses from the main Dublin Bus Office in O’Connell Street. Website: www.dublinbus.ie
Planning your Academic Year

Academic Calendar
The full academic calendar for DCU can be accessed here.

Selecting Modules
- Identify the Stream to which you have been admitted: HMSAX / BSSAX / IESAX / ECSAX / SHSAX
- Select modules *only* from the list for that stream
- Check that the modules you choose are available in your Semester of study:
  - 1 = Fall / Semester 1; 2 = Spring / Semester 2; 0 = Full academic year
- Check whether assessment is by examination or continuous assessment.
  Examinations for Semester 1 take place in January 2020
- You may register for no more than 30 credits in each semester. Most credits must come from your stream but you may choose one module from a different faculty - see the list 'optional modules from a different stream'.

You are currently choosing from last year’s list and must check the listing again in July 2019 when an updated list will be available.

Although we do everything to ensure the availability of your chosen modules, in some cases the level of interest may not be high enough for the module to run or may be so high that places are not be available for all students who apply.

Information for the On-Line Learning Agreement
University: Dublin City University
Erasmus code: IRL DUBLIN04
Address: DCU International Office, Drumcondra House DCU All Hallows Campus, Gracepark Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9
Phone: +353 1 700 7411
Contact person / Responsible Person: Penny Storey
Email: exchange@dcu.ie
Homepage: https://www.dcu.ie/international/Incoming-Students.shtml#

Registration
In order to attend classes at DCU and to take advantage of the various discounts which come with being a student in Ireland, you must be registered at the University. You will be registered in advance of your arrival and you will be issued your student ID card during Orientation.

Required Documentation:
- Please have with you your Acceptance Letter from DCU.

Orientation Programme
For Year Long and Semester 1 exchange students, the Orientation Programme takes place Monday, 16th September – Friday, 20th September 2018.
For new exchange students in Semester 2, the Orientation Programme usually takes place on the Thursday and Friday before classes commence in Jan/Feb.

Attendance at Orientation is mandatory and details of the program will be sent in the coming weeks.
Student Portal Pages

At registration you will be issued with information about your student portal page which contains academic information such as details of the modules for which you are registered, examination timetables, results of examinations etc.
You are required to check your portal page regularly during the academic year.

- If your personal information is incorrect inform Registry@dcu.ie.
- If you have technical difficulties contact ISS.ServiceDesk@dcu.ie
Student Services at DCU

All registered students of DCU are entitled to access the various student support services outlined below. Detailed information of services available to registered DCU students can be found at dcu.ie/students.

Student Health Services
The Health Service provides a totally free and confidential supportive service on campus. The Service is provided by an integrated team of health professionals - Nursing, Medical, Physiotherapy and Psychiatric Health Professionals. Open door access is provided daily (Mon- Fri) to the University Nursing Service with an Appointment System operating for the Medical and Physiotherapy Clinics.
Please refer to the link for opening Hours and contact details: dcu.ie/health

While attendance at the on-campus Student Health Service is free for all DCU students, prescriptions for medication must be covered by the individual student.

Counselling Service
The counselling service is available free of charge to all registered DCU students. The service aims to provide opportunities for the individual to explore issues of concern, and to discover/clarify ways of living more resourcefully in a safe and confidential environment. In short the service promotes self-development and self-awareness, and aims to enable the student take effective control of their lives. dcu.ie/students/counselling

Sports and Recreation
The Dublin City University Sports Complex offers facilities including an aerobics study, squash, handball and racquetball courts, a fitness suite and a swimming pool. Students are encouraged to make full use of these facilities and should consult dcu.ie/dcusport for further details or drop by in person when on campus.

Student Societies
‘Clubs and Socs’ Day takes place once a year in the autumn semester. On this day, existing clubs and societies’ members provide information about their activities and invite new students to join clubs and societies of interest to them. For students attending DCU in the spring semester only, visit the Clubs and Societies Office, which is located on the first floor of the Hub (Student Centre).
We would strongly recommend that international students participate in some of the sports and recreational activities offered by the University. This is a wonderful way to make new friends and make good use of your spare time. dcu.ie/students/az/clubs-societies

Chaplaincy
The Interfaith Ecumenical Centre located just opposite the Henry Grattan building welcomes students of all faiths and religions. It is a wonderful meeting point and presents yet another opportunity to meet interesting people and make new friends. The interdenominational team at the Centre will welcome you warmly upon arrival and discuss the many opportunities the Centre offers. dcu.ie/students/chaplaincy

Disability
A range of support services are in place to help students with a disability participate fully in university life. If you have a disability, the Disability Service offers friendly and confidential advice and a range of services covering the admissions process, living arrangements,
attendance at lectures, assistive technology for study purposes and of course, help with examinations.  dcu.ie/students/disability

Careers Advisory Service
This service is available to help you to prepare for the future and to advise you on your career choices and job hunting strategies, on either an individual or group basis. In addition to contact with the careers advisor, a careers education program consisting of workshops, seminars and lectures is provided. dcu.ie/students/careers
Travel within Ireland

Travel Rates for Students
Students can avail of a reduced rate for travel on trains and buses. Full details can be obtained at: [www.dublinbus.ie](http://www.dublinbus.ie)

One of the advantages of having an International Student Identity Card (ISIC) is that it entitles you to certain travel concessions. Concessions available from Dublin Bus can only be gained if your ISIC card carries a `Travel Save Stamp`. This stamp is available from the main Dublin Bus Office at 59 Upper O’Connell Street in the city centre. The current cost of the card and the stamp is €13 and is also available on campus from Usit NOW.

Monthly bus commuter tickets are available from the Students’ Union, the University Travel Shop or from Dublin Bus.

Leap Cards

A Leap Card is the most convenient way to pay for local and regional transport in Ireland. The pre-paid card that you can top-up as needed is accepted on Dublin Bus, DART and LUAS services in Dublin as well as national rail and bus networks.

Dublin Bus

The livery of the Dublin Bus fleet is yellow with light blue and dark blue. Dublin Bus operates a network of services across Dublin city. Details of services [to DCU with information on useful APPS](http://www.buseireann.ie/).

DART (Dublin Area Rapid Transport)

Within the Dublin area, the DART train service runs along the coast from Howth in the north of Dublin to Bray in the South. The times of the DART vary between every five minutes during peak times and every half an hour on Sundays. The main stations servicing Dublin city centre are Pearse Station, Tara Street Station and Connolly Station. For more details please check the following website, [http://www.irishrail.ie/index.jsp?n=182&p=122](http://www.irishrail.ie/index.jsp?n=182&p=122).

LUAS (Light Rail Train System)

Dublin’s electric tram system does not service DCU but operates from Dublin City Center to the West (red line), North (Blue line) and South (green line). For more details please check [http://www.luas.ie](http://www.luas.ie).

Iarnród Éireann (Irish Rail)

Irish Rail operates to all provincial cities from two stations in Dublin, Heuston Station and Connolly Station, both of which are located in the city centre. Students with an International Student Card (ISIC) and a Travelsave Stamp may avail of discounts on train journeys. For timetables, visit [www.irishrail.ie](http://www.irishrail.ie).

Bus Éireann (Irish Bus)

The central bus station in Dublin is located at Busáras, which is located in Store Street in the city centre. Bus Éireann has a network of buses that operates to and from all of the major cities in Ireland and offers further links to the smaller towns and villages. Bus timetables are available at [http://www.buseireann.ie/](http://www.buseireann.ie/).
Private Bus Companies
A range of private operators also provide bus services in Ireland. Often these are cheaper or more direct services than either Dublin Bus or Bus Eireann.

Car hire
There are many car rental firms in Ireland. You will need a full EU or International driver’s licence to rent a car. If you are planning to drive in Ireland it is advisable that you purchase a copy of ‘Rules of the Road’ and remember that we drive on the left.
General Information on Ireland

Cost of Living

The cost of living depends on your individual situation and choices and spending on travel and social life can vary widely from student to student. Below are very approximate estimates of the monthly living expenses of a student living away independently and with a host family for an academic year.

Monthly cost of living away from home: approximate costs for academic year 2017/18

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<td>Light/heating/power</td>
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<td>Food (groceries + campus meals)</td>
<td>240</td>
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<td>Travel (Monthly commuter ticket)</td>
<td>120 (30 day Bus)</td>
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<td>Academic books, printing etc.</td>
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<td>Clothes, laundry, medical, etc.</td>
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<td>Internet/Phone</td>
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<td>Social life, other travel, miscellaneous</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td>Food in University</td>
<td>140 (average €7 per day)</td>
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Useful Links

www.itsyourmoney.ie a practical website for helping students budget for the academic year.
https://www.dcu.ie/students/az/cost-living DCU Student Support advice on finance & budgeting

Banking and Currency

Students should open a bank account as soon as possible after arrival. In order to open a bank account, you will need two forms of identification. One should have your photograph on it and the other one should show your home address in your own country.

It can take up to two weeks for the international transfer of money through the banking system. You should allow for this when deciding how much currency to bring with you in order to meet your initial expenses in the first few weeks after arrival.

The unit of currency used in Ireland is the euro (€). One euro is made up of one hundred cent.
Electricity

The Irish electrical current is 220 volts. The most commonly used plugs are 3-pin flat.

You may need an adaptor and/or voltage convertor if you are bringing electrical appliances. Voltage convertors are available from most electrical stores.

Emergency Services

 Whilst in Ireland, dial 999 or 112 for the emergency services. You will be asked which service you want—‘Garda’ (police), ambulance or fire brigade—and the area in which the incident has occurred. Please have these details ready when you make the call.

Weather

Ireland has a temperate climate with summer temperatures ranging from 16 – 24 degrees. In winter the temperature rarely drops below freezing point, but the winters can be quite damp. You should pack a waterproof coat and shoes and a good umbrella. The following chart gives an indication of what you can expect in each month in Ireland:

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## Public Holidays in Ireland

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## Useful Addresses in Dublin

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<td><strong>Iarnród Eireann (Irish Rail)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Baggot Street Bridge, Baggot Street, Dublin 2</td>
<td>Head Office</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tel: +353-1-6024000</td>
<td>Connolly Station</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.ireland.ie">www.ireland.ie</a></td>
<td>Dublin 1</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Passenger Information: +353-1-8366222</td>
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<tr>
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<td>Website: <a href="http://www.irishrail.ie">www.irishrail.ie</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bus Atha Cliath (Dublin Bus)</strong></td>
<td><strong>Irish Council for International Students (ICOS)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>59 Upper O’Connell Street, Dublin 1</td>
<td>41 Morehampton Road, Dublin 4</td>
</tr>
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<tr>
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<tr>
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<td><strong>Dublin Tourism Centre</strong></td>
<td><strong>USIT Now</strong></td>
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<td>Suffolk Street, Dublin 2</td>
<td>19-21 Aston Quay, Dublin 1</td>
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Before you leave home.............

- Make sure that your travel arrangements enable you to be in Dublin for the Orientation Programme

- Have all your documents saved and in hard copy. Please remember to have the following with you on arrival in Ireland
  - Your valid passport
  - Your visa (if necessary)
  - A driver’s license if you wish to hire a car
  - Some other form of identification
  - EHIC card or other Health insurance documents
  - Your Offer letter from DCU, accepting you as an Exchange student

- Make sure you have made appropriate accommodation arrangements and know what items are provided and what items you must provide for yourself

- Know how to get from your point of arrival to your accommodation and from your accommodation to DCU

- Familiarise yourself with the layout of Dublin city

- Make sure you have an adequate supply of any medication you need

- Unlock your phone so you can get a local SIM card

- Bring an adaptor so you can charge your phone and laptop

We look forward to welcoming you soon at Dublin City University!