

INCOMING EXCHANGE FACTSHEET 2025/2026

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Applying to Maynooth University

- Students wishing to study at Maynooth University as exchange students must first be nominated by their home university.
- Nominations open in **mid-March**. The nomination link will be emailed to the partner university directly.
- Nominated students will be **contacted with information** regarding their stay with us and instructions on how to apply.
- An acceptance email will be sent to students a few weeks after the application deadline date.

Nomination Deadlines

Full Year: 1st May 2025

1st Semester (Fall): 1st May 2025

Second Semester (Spring): 1st October 2025

Application Deadlines

Full Year: 31st May 2025

1st Semester (Fall): 31st May 2025

Second Semester (Spring): 31st October 2025

Available Courses

- Our list of available courses can be found <u>here</u> and all incoming exchange students are free to choose modules from any Academic Department.
- Modules must be approved by your home university.
- Some courses have **limited spaces** available, such as **Product Design** and **Media Studies**.
- It is the **student's responsibility** to ensure that there are enough courses on our available courses list that there home university will approve of.
- Students are allowed to register for max 35 ECTS per semester.
- There will be an **add/drop period** at the beginning of each semester.

Language Proficiency

- No language proficiency certificate is required.
- We accept a **nomination from the home university as confirmation** that a student has acquired a good command of the English language.
- Students are expected to have a good command of English in all four language skills - reading, writing, listening and speaking - to follow classes, write assignments, give presentations, etc.
- Note: Exchange students will be marked the same way as domestic students, with no exceptions.



Accommodation

- As demand for on-campus accommodation far exceeds the number of beds available, students should concentrate their accommodation search off-campus.
- Our <u>Student Services</u> offer advice and information via **webinars** on how to find suitable off-campus accommodation during your stay at Maynooth University.
- Students will receive an <u>email invitation</u> to attend these webinars approximately 3 months in advance of arriving in Ireland.
- Students will receive login details for our off-campus accommodation portal, Maynooth Studentpad, <u>after attending</u> <u>the webinars</u>.
- <u>Maynooth Studentpad</u> is an online platform where local landlords and homeowners can advertise their lettings to students attending Maynooth University.

Travel/Medical Insurance

- All incoming exchange students <u>must have</u> <u>travel insurance</u> which includes **repatriation** (assisted return back to the home country).
- All incoming exchange students should have insurance that covers them for the **entire duration of their stay**.
- Erasmus students must also have private travel insurance. The European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) alone will <u>not</u> suffice, as it does *not include repatriation*.
- **Full Year** and **Semester 1** students will be required to upload their proof of insurance in **September**.

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• Semester 2 students will be required to upload their proof of insurance in February.



Immigration

- Some students may require a visa to come to Ireland. If you are unsure of whether you require a visa or not, please check the Irish Immigration website <u>here</u>. <u>Note:</u> US, Canadian and Australian students do not require a visa to enter Ireland.
- Students who are coming from outside the EEA / EU / Switzerland will need to register with Irish Immigration and obtain an Irish Residency Permit (IRP) Card. This process happens <u>after you have arrived</u> in Ireland. Please see our <u>immigration</u> webpage and the <u>official Irish Immigration</u> website for more information.
- IMPORTANT NOTE: Though Ireland is a member of the EU, *it is not a member of the Schengen Area*. Erasmus students who are non-EU citizens, but hold a residency permit for another EU country, will need a visa to enter Ireland. They will also have to register with Irish Immigration and obtain an IRP Card.



Other Important Information

- Attendance at <u>Orientation</u> sessions are mandatory. Students will receive essential information regarding their time at Maynooth University.
- Please see <u>'Important Dates'</u> for information on term dates, study periods, holidays and exam periods.
- Semester 1 students cannot extend their stay to the full academic year once they have registered with Maynooth University.
- Semester 1 students will not complete their exams in January. Instead, alternative arrangements will be made, and Semester 1 students will end their stay at Maynooth University in December. Generally, this means that students will submit an alternative assignment instead of taking an exam, but this will be decided between the student and the lecturer/professor.