



UCD ADMITTED STUDENT TIMELINE & CHECKLIST



DECEMBER- FEBRUARY

- ☒ **Apply** and receive an offer to University College Dublin – Ireland’s Global University!
- ☐ Check your official Offer Letter(s) in your [application portal \(crm.ucd.ie/apply\)](https://crm.ucd.ie/apply) for tuition, scholarships, and decision deadline information.
- ☐ **Join our WhatsApp group** for admitted undergraduate students from North America! Here you can connect with others who will attend or are considering attending UCD starting in September 2026, and you’ll also have opportunities to ask current UCD students questions. See the enclosed postcard for the QR code to join!
- ☐ **Post on social media using #HelloUCD & follow @UCDglobal on IG for student stories!**
- ☐ Research the details of your academic program at www.myucd.ie/courses
- ☐ **Submit** the Free Application for Federal Student Aid www.fafsa.gov (for eligible US students only).
 - Make sure to list UCD as a school of choice using FAFSA code **G10188!**
- ☐ Undergraduate Global Excellence Scholarship Application Due February 1st by 11:59pm Irish Time.
- ☐ **Purchase your UCD t-shirt, sweatshirt, beanie or other gear at shoponline.ucd.ie**

MARCH & APRIL

- ☐ Undergraduate Global Excellence Scholarship Winners announced.
- ☐ Meet with the [North America team \(ucd.ie/global/enquire\)](https://ucd.ie/global/enquire) to discuss your offers and next steps.
- ☐ **Happy St. Patrick’s Day – start creating your bucket list of places to visit in Dublin & Ireland!**
- ☐ Attend an Admitted Student event in person in your area AND our live virtual event on Saturday, March 7th! See the enclosed postcard for more information.
- ☐ Accepted and deposited students should make sure they’ve booked on campus residences – instructions available at [UCD Residences](https://ucd.ie/residences) website (ucd.ie/residences)
- ☐ UCD Application for US Federal Aid opens in April - contact federalaid@ucd.ie for help.
- ☐ **Notify** the North America team of any new test results (SAT, ACT, etc.) at ucd.ie/global/enquire

MAY

- ☐ **Accept** your offer and pay your deposit – **Undergraduate Student deadline is May 1st.**
 - Consult Offer Letter for date applicable to your programme
- ☐ Confirm your passport is valid through the end of 2027 and apply for a new one/renew if needed.
 - North American citizens **do not need a visa** to study in Ireland
- ☐ Access your Student Welcome Hub for programme updates and alumni connections!
- ☐ **Add some Irish TV shows and movies to your summer watch list! Some suggestions from our team are: Derry Girls, Rebellion, Song of the Sea, The Commitments, Sing Street, and the classic Irish show Father Ted to get started! Share your thoughts and suggestions in our Facebook group!**



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JUNE & JULY

- ☐ **Send** final, official high school and/or college transcripts and test scores directly from your institution to northamerica@ucd.ie by August 1st. *Note this email is only for official documents, not a student queries email.*
- ☐ **Book** your travel to Dublin - Check if Aer Lingus offers student discounts*
- ☐ **Update** your email address in [your portal](#) (crm.ucd.ie/apply), especially if you used your school email address when applying.
 - ☐ You will not receive a UCD email address until close to registration in Aug/Sept. Please ensure the email address in your UCD portal is one that you will continue to have access to throughout the summer and check it frequently.
- ☐ **Confirm** that your Financial Aid application was submitted – **deadline on SISweb is July 15th.**
 - ☐ Your Federal Aid application status should be 'Application Submitted, Awaiting Review'.
- ☐ Add some Irish books to your summer reading list. If you're up for a challenge, don't forget UCD's Alumnus James Joyce's 'Ulysses' or 'The Dubliners' – classic UCD bookshelf material!
- ☐ Reference the UCD [Offer Holder](#) webpage. (<https://www.ucd.ie/global/study-at-ucd/unitedstatesofamerica/undergraduate/offerholders>)
- ☐ Review [Immigration](#) requirements, purchase health insurance and bring proof of coverage when travelling
- ☐ Review the [UCD Student Health Service's Pre-Arrival Checklist](#) and FAQ on medication.
- ☐ Ensure you have chosen the correct course of study – **contact us at ucd.ie/global/enquire if you are unsure.**
- ☐ **Pack!!!** Check out our [packing list](#) on the Offer Holder site for tips and suggestions!

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

- ☐ **Confirm** your Financial Aid application was submitted correctly by checking status in SISweb.
 - ☐ Status changes to 'Application Reviewed, Loan Origination Pending'.
- ☐ Find interesting student societies/organizations and follow them on social media - ucdsocieties.ie
- ☐ Receive your official UCD email in mid-late August (for new students).
- ☐ Receive your module registration time and information via UCD Connect email (module = class in UCD speak!)
- ☐ Arrive in Ireland! Make sure your [immigration documents](#) are ready and in your carry on bag
- ☐ **Register** with Irish Immigration (required for all non-EU passport holders) after you arrive in Ireland.
 - ☐ You must book an appointment for Irish Immigration registration within 90 days of entering Ireland.
- ☐ **Open** an Irish bank account - loans disbursed to an Irish account approximately one week before classes start.
- ☐ Get a **Leap Card** to access transit in Dublin at a discount – instructions available during orientation
- ☐ First semester fee payment due - <http://www.ucd.ie/students/fees/>
- ☐ **Attend** Orientation - Updates found here ucd.ie/global/offerholders/orientation/.
 - ☐ Check your orientation timetable (timetable = schedule in UCD speak!)
 - ☐ Orientation dates are tentatively scheduled for August 31st to September 4th
- ☐ Start classes! First day of class is tentatively scheduled for September 7th
- ☐ **Attend Fresher's Week** and get involved on campus while meeting new friends!

KEY DATES

More information can be found at www.ucd.ie/students/keydates *



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*Please note, dates are subject to change. Consult UCD's website before booking flights