



Maynooth University

National University of Ireland Maynooth



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Application 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 2024

1st Semester (Fall): 1st May 2024

2nd Semester (Spring): 1st October 2024

Application Deadlines

Full Year: 31st May 2024

1st Semester (Fall): 31st May 2024

2nd Semester (Spring): 31st October 2024



Available Courses

- All incoming students are free to choose any modules from **our list of available courses**.
- Modules must be **approved** by their home university.
- Please note some courses have **limited spaces** available, particularly Product Design and Media Studies.
- Students must check there are **enough courses** on our available courses list that their home university will approve of. Flexibility is expected and extra modules should be **pre-approved**.
- Students often must make **changes** to their original course choice due to timetable clashes, limited spaces, course no longer being available, etc.
- Students are allowed to register for **max 30 ECTS per semester** and they will have two weeks after the semester start date to change their mind and register new modules.
- Postgraduate modules can **only** be taken by Postgraduate students. There are only a **limited number** of postgraduate courses available to incoming students.
- **Semester 1** students will select their modules in **August**.
- **Semester 2** students will select their modules in **December**.
- **Full Year** students will select their Semester 1 and Full Year modules in August and their Semester 2 modules in December. Please note: Semester 2 students cannot take Full Year modules!
- A Transcript of Records, **translated into English**, will be required and it must show full academic history. Students will upload their transcripts during the module selection process.



Language Proficiency

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



Accommodation

- As demand for on-campus accommodation far exceeds the number of beds available, students are encouraged to look for **off-campus accommodation**. Our Student Services offer advice and information via webinars on how to find suitable off-campus accommodation during your stay at Maynooth University approximately 3 months in advance of students arriving.
- Students who need to search for off-campus accommodation will be given access to the **Maynooth Studentpad**. This is an online platform run by Maynooth University where local landlords and homeowners can advertise their lettings to students attending Maynooth University.



Travel / Medical Insurance

- All incoming students must have travel insurance which includes **repatriation** (assisted transfer of a person back to their home country in case of serious injury or illness) covering the period of their stay at Maynooth University.
- **Erasmus** students must also have private travel insurance. The **European Health Insurance Card** will **not** suffice, as it does **not include repatriation**.
- **Full Year** and **Semester 1** students will be requested to upload their proof of insurance in **September**.
- **Semester 2** students will be requested to upload their proof of insurance in **February**.



Immigration

- Some students may require a visa to enter Ireland. If you are unsure of whether you require a visa or not, please check the Irish Immigration website [here](#). Note: US and Canadian citizens 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 after you have arrived in Ireland. Please see our [immigration webpage](#) and the [official Irish Immigration website](#) for more information.

- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Though Ireland is a member state of the European Union, 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.



Orientation and Important Dates

- The orientation sessions are **compulsory** to attend for all new incoming students. Students will receive essential information regarding their time at Maynooth University.
- Please see **Important Dates** for information on term dates, study period, holiday dates and examination period.
- Semester 1 students **cannot extend their stay to full year** after they have **registered** with Maynooth University.
- Semester 1 students **will not complete their exams in January**. Alternative arrangements will be made, and semester 1 students will officially **end their stay** at Maynooth University in **December**. Generally, this means that students submit an alternative assignment instead of taking an exam, but this will be decided between the student and the lecturer / professor.