



University College Dublin  
Ireland's Global University

# My Induction Programme

University College Dublin  
International Study Centre



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# Welcome to UCD International Study Centre

## Fáilte chuig Ionad Staidéir Idirnáisiúnta UCD

Our induction programme is designed to help you get to know the Study Centre, the staff and each other as well as the University, Dublin and life in Ireland. You will find out what you can expect from us and what we expect from you

Attending these sessions will help you get the most out of this induction and your foundation year experience

Monday 16th September		
10:00 – 11:30	<p>Registration</p> <p>Meet the team at UCD ISC as you collect your welcome packs and finalise your registration details.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Lunch</p> <p>Get to know your new teachers and classmates.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
13:00 – 15:30 Workshops	<p>Make Friends Through English</p> <p>Some quick ice-breakers with the UCD ISC English team.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
	<p>Help When You Need It</p> <p>Find out who's here to help you with any academic, personal or medical needs you may have during your studies.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
	<p>About UCD ISC</p> <p>Learn what the study centre is about and how you can make the most of your time here.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students

Tuesday 17th September		
10:00 – 11:30	<p>Maths Placement Tests</p> <p>Help us assess your maths level and your learning needs.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
13:00 – 16:00	<p>Treasure Hunt</p> <p>Explore the University by following clues and taking photos around campus. Prizes will be handed out on Friday for the winners.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students

## Wednesday 18th September

09:30 – 11:30	<p><b>English Placement Tests</b></p> <p>Help us assess your English level and learning needs in each of the language skills.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
13:00 – 15:00 Workshops	<p><b>Living in Dublin</b></p> <p>Learn all about your new home.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
	<p><b>Studying in Dublin</b></p> <p>Learn how to navigate the Irish education system.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
	<p><b>Getting Involved</b></p> <p>Learn about our Student committee and how you can have a voice in student activities and become a student ambassador.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students

## Thursday 19th September

09:30 – 13:00	<p><b>Discover UCD</b></p> <p>Visit the UCD International Office to receive your student ID card, learn about UCD's clubs and societies, tour the campus and visit your school.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
15:00 – 16:00	<p><b>Meet Your Guardian</b></p>	Compulsory for ISC students under the age of 18

## Friday 20th September

09:30 – 12:30	<p><b>Know Your Programme</b></p> <p>Learn about progression and find out how to successfully progress to your chosen degree in UCD. Receive your timetable and split up into your class groups to get more information about your chosen programme.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students
14:30 – 16:30	<p><b>Graduation – followed by party with food and prizes</b></p> <p>Meet the students who have gone before you, enjoy some refreshments and music, and find out who are the winners of the passport challenge and treasure hunt.</p>	Compulsory for all ISC students

WIN A

# PARTY

FOR YOU + YOUR FRIENDS

Share your first experiences of studying abroad for a chance to win!

Share your pictures of moving in, exploring the city and making friends and boost your centre's chance to win. Use the tags below when posting photos and videos on social media about your first few weeks here.

The centre with the most posts shared by **24th October** will win a party hosted by us.

Remember, be creative and be yourselves: enjoy the opportunity to have fun with your classmates and make new friends along the way!

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 #MyUCDStory

# Pre-Arrival Study Materials

## Who are these study materials for?

The pre-arrival study materials are for all students who will be joining and International Foundation Year at University College Dublin International Study Centre.

## What are the study materials?

- The pre-arrival materials are hosted on a virtual learning platform, Study Smart
- They will introduce you to the academic language and culture of Higher Education that you may encounter at your centre and help you prepare for the start of your studies
- They will help guide you through the key skills you will need in academic writing, reading, listening and speaking to help you be successful in your studies, giving you practice and tips on how to improve
- The materials include an English test which you should complete before your arrival. This is a short online assessment which will help your tutors understand your level of English so that they can better support you with your learning when you arrive.
- They provide useful information and links about studying and living in Ireland

## How to access:

You can access the materials through our online learning platform, Study Smart, by following this link:  
<http://studysmart.studygroup.com/>

**Username:** Student ID – 7 digit number which can be found at the top of your offer letter or confirmation of enrolment.  
**Password:** Your date of birth – 8 digits in the format xx/xx/xxxx, excluding slashes (e.g. 5<sup>th</sup> of December 1990 would be 05121990)

Please note that it can take up to 24 hours after you confirm your place for your account to become active. If you are unable to log in or have any trouble accessing the course then please contact the

[UCD ISC Central Student Support Team](#)