A Guide for South African Students

Founded in 1845, Ollscoil na Gaillimhe – University of Galway is one of Ireland’s oldest and largest universities. University of Galway is an international university with global ambition, but with deep roots in Galway City and the West of Ireland – a region renowned for its unique culture, creative industries, marine ecology, medical technologies and innovation.

The University’s main Galway campus covers over 105 hectares of land along the river Corrib. The campus is home to world-leading teaching and research facilities across the sciences, social sciences and humanities, delivered through four colleges, 19 Schools and five Research Institutes – Data Science Institute (DSI), Ryan Institute, Whitaker Institute for Innovation and Societal Change, Institute for Lifecourse and Society, Moore Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Studies – and a range of research centres and clusters.

With over 4,000 international students and 480 international staff from 122 countries, University of Galway contributes greatly to the diversity and dynamism of Galway City and the West of Ireland as a region.

Courses
Visit our website for a list of courses available.

Research collaborations with 3,267 institutions in 114 countries
Top 2% of universities in the QS World rankings
1st in Ireland for sustainable development
Most biodiverse University campus in Ireland

110,000 alumni worldwide
Entry Requirements

Entry requirements for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes vary, visit our [website](#) for an up-to-date list.

You will also find a comprehensive overview of English Language Requirements and learn more about the Pre-Sessional courses we offer to help students prepare for academic study. We also provide in sessional language and academic skills development courses throughout your studies with us.

How to Apply

To apply to University of Galway, simply scan the QR code below or visit our [website](#).

Applications open on 1 October each year and are submitted online. There is a non-refundable application fee. We recommend you apply early as your chosen programme may close early if full and you should allow sufficient time for your visa application etc.

Scholarships

Scholarship offerings can vary from year to year and may be contingent on your chosen programme of study. Rest assured that all applicants will be informed of available scholarship opportunities throughout the academic year.

Visit our [website](#) for updates and information on how to apply for scholarships. As many of our applicants are considered for scholarships as part of the application process, please ensure you include a comprehensive personal statement with your application.

Meet Our Students

“I chose University of Galway because it is ranked in the world's top 2% of universities. The credentials of the staff members are very impressive, and they have outstanding research outputs. The campus is very beautiful, and the city of Galway is so vibrant, with so many students. I chose the field of gender studies mainly because of how unique the programmes at University of Galway are. Moreover, the course is interdisciplinary, and that alone exposed me to various areas of interest ranging from understanding how gender inequality affects the society where patriarchal systems are seen at play.”

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