



OLLSCOIL NA GAILLIMHÉ
UNIVERSITY OF GALWAY

Discipline of Geography First Year Timetable 2024/2025

First year - 1BA

Semester 1

ECTs	Module	Module Coordinator	Day, Time	Assessment
5	TI151 Principles of Physical Geography	Dr Eugene Farrell	Mondays 3pm: OhEocha Theatre Tuesdays 5pm: Anderson Theatre Wednesdays 12pm: O'Flaherty Theatre	CA / MCQ
10	TI1100/TI1101 Geography in Practice (GiP)	Dr Frances Carter	Details in GiP handbook on Canvas	CA

Semester 2

5	TI150 Principles of Human Geography	Dr Eugene Farrell	Mondays 3pm: OhEocha Theatre Tuesdays 5pm: O'Flaherty Theatre Fridays 11am: OhEocha Theatre	CA / MCQ
10	TI1100/TI1101 Geography in Practice (GiP)	Dr Frances Carter	Details in GiP handbook on Canvas	CA

Key contacts in Geography

Head of Geography
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 1 BA Programme Coordinator

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[Dr Eugene Farrell](#)

Academic Calendar 2024/2025

Academic Year 2024 -2025	
Orientation 1st years	<i>To be confirmed</i>
Start of teaching - 1st years*	Monday 16th September*
End of teaching - 1st years*	Friday 29th November * (11 weeks of teaching)
Start of teaching all years	Monday 9th September
End of teaching all years	Friday 29th November (12 weeks of teaching)
Study week	Monday 2nd December to Friday 6th December
Semester 1 exams start	Monday 9th December
Semester 1 exams end	Friday 20th December (10 days of exams)
Christmas Holiday	Saturday 21st December
2025	
Start of Teaching	Monday 13th January 2025
End of Teaching	Friday 4th April (12 weeks of teaching)
Field Trips	Monday 7th April to Thursday 10th April (4 working days as in 2020/21, 2022/23, 2023/24)
Study Week	Friday 11th April to Thursday, 17th April
Semester 2 Exams Start	Tuesday, 22nd April
Easter	Good Friday 18th April to Easter Monday 21st April 2025
Semester 2 Exams End	Friday, 9th May (13 days of exams)
Autumn Repeat Exams	Tuesday 5th to Friday 15th August (9 days of exams)
Holidays	Easter: Good Friday 18th April to Easter Monday 21st April 2025
	Bank Holidays: Monday 28th October 2024 / Monday, 3rd February, 2025 / Monday, 17th March 2025
	Monday 5th May 2025/ Monday 2nd June 2025 / Monday 4th August 2025

[\[Further info\]](#)

1BA Geography Module Outlines 2024/2025

Module: TI 151 Principles of Physical Geography
Coordinator: Dr Gordon Bromley, Dr Eugene Farrell, Dr Chaosheng Zhang

This course is designed to provide insight and understanding to the fundamental concepts and principles of physical geography as an academic discipline. In doing this, the course explores how the physical environment functions; how different environmental systems interact and how the physical environment impacts on human activities. The course explores the various components that make up these environmental systems, such as the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere and geosphere. In addition the course also provides some understanding of how these fundamentals apply to Ireland and in so doing gives an insight into the richness of the physical geography of Ireland. Major Themes covered in TI 151: The Biosphere: Biogeography – species distribution and ecosystems, The Atmosphere: Weather and Climate, The Hydrosphere: Rivers The Geosphere: Coasts

Module: TI 150 Principles of Human Geography
Coordinator: Professor Frances Fahy, Dr Kathy Reilly, Dr Elaine Williams

This course seeks to introduce key problems, concepts and contexts within human geography. Its focus is a contemporary one: it strives to illuminate the world of today by exploring and analysing the origin of central issues that make the headlines (or not) in the media and beyond. The course places lectures alongside the information given in the textbook; for examination purposes, both are essential. Major Themes covered in TI 150 (subject to change depending on staff availability) Rural Geographies, Cultural Geographies, Environment and Society, Social Geographies, Economic Geographies, Political Geographies, Development Geographies, Urban Geographies.

Module: TI 1100 and TI 1101 Geography in Practice (GiP)
Coordinator: Dr Frances Carter

This module introduces first year geography students to a range of skill-based exercises designed to enhance their learning experience and develop their research competences. Supported by on-line lectures and class-based tutorials, students undertake a series of exercises on referencing, academic writing, mapping, data analysis and fieldwork that will reinforce the skills geographers use every day. Further information on each exercise and submission dates is available in the TI1100/TI1101 handbook on Blackboard.