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The UCD Freshman Study Abroad Programme offers visiting first year students an exciting opportunity to gain a global perspective in a safe and welcoming environment. University College Dublin, the most active research university in Ireland, is ranked within the top 1% of universities worldwide. Freshman study abroad students attend the same high quality modules as Irish students, ensuring a great academic start. A high standard of support and oversight is central to this programme and a wide range of social and cultural activities take place throughout the semester, providing the opportunity to make friends and integrate. Freshman students are housed on the UCD campus, located on 350 acres just three miles from Dublin City Centre.



Subject Choices

Freshman students may take up to 30 ECTS credits (6 modules/classes) per semester. Freshman Study Abroad students have greater flexibility than upperclassmen to enroll in courses across the university (subject to timetabling restrictions and availability of spaces).

These modules should be selected in agreement with the student's home university and chosen from the wide range of level one modules available within UCD.

Module Details

Details of the modules may be obtained from www.ucd.ie/students/course_search.htm

- Click on the tab for **Modules**
- **Category tab:** Select your area of interest e.g. 'Arts & Humanities'
- **Subject tab:** Followed by the relevant subject e.g. "History"
- Tick the box for "level 1" to see what modules are offered to Freshmen.

Assessment

Formal examinations are set at the end of each semester in December and May. International students are expected to undertake examinations in accordance with University regulations.

Increasingly, project and class-based work forms a component of the assessment process.

Credit Transfer

The home institution decides on credits to be awarded for modules pursued at UCD. We will be pleased to provide full information on our modules to enable institutions to make decisions regarding the transfer of credits.

Eligibility

The minimum GPA requirement is 3.00.

In addition to completing the UCD on-line application process, the following documents should be uploaded to the online application system before the application deadline:

- a standard form of identification i.e. copy of Passport,
- transcript of academic record to date,
- evidence of SAT scores and
- a letter of recommendation from an academic referee.

To apply

www.ucd.ie/apply

Application Deadlines:

Full year or first semester (Fall):	May 1st
Second semester (Spring):	October 15th

Peer-Mentors

All incoming Freshman Study Abroad students will be linked with a peer mentor who is a second or third year UCD student. Where possible, we assign peer mentors who have had a similar experience and have spent some time studying in the US and will be able to understand the needs and aspirations of Study Abroad students.

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