

EUROSTUDENT VII

QUESTIONNAIRE - IRELAND

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1. Current Study Situation

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Compulsory.
 Single choice.

1	Yes
2	Yes, but only temporarily for one or two semesters (e.g. on Erasmus)
3	No, I am (temporarily) studying at a higher education institution abroad, not in Ireland (e.g. on Erasmus)
4	No, I am currently interrupting my studies (either officially or not)
5	No, I have stopped studying
6	No, I already graduated and I am not studying anymore

- If category "Yes" → please continue with question 1.2
- If categories 2 to 6 → respondent is not part of the standard target group and is directed to a specific exit page

[Pre-question text]

The following questionnaire often refers to your current main study programme. If you are enrolled in more than one study programme, please pick one as your main study programme (the one which is currently more important for your studies) and refer to this study programme throughout the whole questionnaire (unless otherwise specified).

1.2. Is your current (main) study programme formally defined as a distance learning programme?

"Distance learning programmes" are study programmes which do not provide any physical face-to-face interaction during lectures. Formally refers to the design of the programme and not your actual behaviour.

Compulsory.
 Single choice.

1	Yes
2	No

- If “Yes” → soft query asking if respondent is sure that they are on a distance learning programme, if “Yes” again → respondent is not part of the standard target group, and is directed to a specific exit page
- If “No” → please continue with question 1.3

1.3. Where are you studying?

Please refer to your current (main) study programme.

Compulsory.

Single choice.

Dropdown list.

1	Athlone Institute of Technology	15	Maynooth University
2	Cork Institute of Technology	16	Royal College of Surgeons
3	Dublin City University	17	St. Angela's College of Education
4	Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology	18	Trinity College Dublin
5	Dundalk Institute of Technology	19	Technological University Dublin – City Campus
6	Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology	20	Technological University Dublin – Blanchardstown
7	Institute of Technology, Carlow	21	Technological University Dublin – Tallaght
8	Institute of Technology, Sligo	22	University College Cork
9	Institute of Technology, Tralee	23	University College Dublin
10	Letterkenny Institute of Technology	24	University of Limerick
11	Limerick Institute of Technology	25	Waterford Institute of Technology
12	Mary Immaculate College		
13	National College of Art & Design		
14	National University of Ireland, Galway		

1.4.1. When were you born?

Please provide month and year of your birth.

Compulsory.

Month	Year

1.4.2. What is your sex?

Compulsory.

Single choice.

1	Female
2	Male
4	I prefer not to assign myself into the aforementioned categories

- If define themselves as male or female → please go to question 1.5
- If prefer not to define themselves using these categories → please go to question 6.3

[Pre question text]

In order to be able to statistically compare the survey data with the official student statistics we would be grateful if you could provide the following information. Your anonymity shall remain unaffected.

1.4.3. *[Students who prefer not to assign themselves]* With which sex are you officially registered at your current higher education institution?

Compulsory.

Single choice.

1	Female
2	Male

1.5. With which qualification does your current (main) study programme conclude?

Single choice.

1	Advanced Certificate	ISCED Level 5
2	Higher Certificate	ISCED Level 5
3	Undergraduate Diploma	ISCED Level 5
4	Undergraduate General Degree	ISCED Level 6
5	Undergraduate Honours Degree	ISCED Level 6
6	Higher Diploma	ISCED Level 6
7	Masters Research (Postgraduate)	ISCED Level 7
8	Masters Taught (Postgraduate)	ISCED Level 7
9	Postgraduate Certificate	ISCED Level 7
10	Postgraduate Diploma	ISCED Level 7
11	PhD or doctorate	ISCED Level 8
12	Other, not listed here	

- *ISCED explanations are only shown here for mapping.*
- *If “Other, not listed here” or “PhD or doctorate” → respondent is not part of the standard target group and is directed to a specific exit page*

1.6. What is your current formal status as a student?

Please refer to your current (main) study programme.

Compulsory.

Single choice.

1	Full-time student
2	Part-time student
3	Other

- *If “Other” → respondent is not part of the standard target group and is directed to a specific exit page*

1.7. What is your current (main) study programme?

Single choice.

Note: you may be doing a joint programme which can be placed in more than one of these categories, however please select the one that is of greater importance to you.

1	Education
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6	Computer science and ICT
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2	Arts and design
2	Media production
2	History and archaeology
2	Humanities
2	Languages
2	Literature and linguistics
2	Music and drama
2	Philosophy
2	Religion and theology

7	Architecture, town planning, and civil engineering
7	Engineering
7	Food processing
7	Materials and textiles
7	Mechanics and metal trades

8	Agriculture and horticulture
8	Forestry
8	Veterinary Sciences

3	Economics
3	Journalism and reporting
3	Library, information and archival studies
3	Political science
3	Psychology
3	Sociology and cultural studies

9	Dentistry and dental studies
9	Medical diagnostic and treatment technology
9	Medicine
9	Nursing and midwifery
9	Pharmacy
9	Physiotherapy and rehabilitation
9	Social work and counselling
9	Welfare inc. care of children, the disabled and the elderly

4	Accounting and taxation
4	Finance, banking and insurance
4	Law
4	Management and administration
4	Marketing and advertising
4	Secretarial and office work

10	Hotel, restaurants and catering
10	Occupational health and safety
10	Sports and sports science
10	Transport services inc. nautical science
10	Travel, tourism and leisure

5	Biology, Chemistry, Physics or combination thereof
5	Mathematics
5	Statistics

999	Other
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- *Explanatory text added*

1.8. [Only for Master students] In which country did you finish your degree leading to your current Masters programme (e.g. your undergraduate degree)?

109	Ireland
...	[Drop-down list of other countries, see Appendix A]
999	I haven't finished any previous study programme

- *If country selected/degree finished [category 1 or 2] → please go to question 1.9*
- *If "I haven't finished any previous study programme" → please go to question 2.1*

1.9. [Only for Master students] How long after graduating from your previous study programme did you start your current Master programme?

1	Less than one year after graduating
2	Between one year and two years after graduating
3	More than two years after graduating

2. Study Background - Access

2.1. Do you have a Leaving Certificate or foreign equivalent?

The Leaving Certificate is the final examination in the Irish secondary school system. Other foreign equivalents include the Matura and Baccalauréat
 Single choice.

1	Yes, obtained in Ireland
2	Yes, a foreign equivalent to the Leaving Certificate, obtained abroad (i.e. not in Ireland)
3	No, I don't have a Leaving Certificate (or foreign equivalent)

- If "Yes, obtained in Ireland" or "Yes, obtained abroad" → please go to question 2.2
- If "No, I don't have a Leaving Certificate" → please go to question 2.3

2.2. *[Only students with Leaving Certificate or foreign equivalent]* When did you obtain your Leaving Certificate (or foreign equivalent)?

1	Upon leaving upper secondary school (within 6 months)
2	Later in life

2.3. *[Only students with no Leaving Certificate or foreign equivalent]* Where did you last attend the regular school system?

Regular school is defined as the secondary school system for teenagers. Thus, schools targeting only adults (mostly on evenings or weekends) are not regarded as regular schools.

1	In Ireland
2	Abroad (i.e. not in Ireland)

2.4. How long after leaving the regular school system did you enter higher education for the first time?

“Leaving the regular school system” refers to the first time you left the regular school system (with or without graduating), even if this was not when you gained the higher education entrance qualification, e.g. the Leaving Certificate.

*First entry in higher education regardless of whether in Ireland or abroad.
 Single choice.*

1	Less than one year
2	Between one and two years
3	More than two years

2.5. When did you enter higher education for the first time?

[Drop-down menu]

Month	Year
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2.6. When did you start your current (main) study programme?

[Drop-down menu]

Month	Year
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2.7. Was any previous work experience explicitly taken into account in Ireland during your initial admission process into higher education?

1	No, I did not have any work experience
2	No, my work experience did not explicitly play a role in my initial admission process
3	[Only students without a Leaving Certificate] Yes, work experience replaced a Leaving Certificate
4	Yes, my professional experience was otherwise explicitly taken into account in my initial admission process
5	My initial entry into higher education was not in Ireland

2.8. Did you officially replace any requirements in your current (main) study programme with previously gained experience/competences?

Please include any instance of work experience, formal and non-formal courses, self-study, volunteer work etc. allowing you to do less than usually required in your current study programme, such as skipping/replacing single courses, mandatory internships, practical tasks, thesis, etc. and/or gain additional ECTS.

ECTS: (European Credit Transfer System) – for more information see [here](#). The term is also used to describe credits (achievements, certificates, exams) obtained towards the fulfilment of a study programme.

Multiple answers possible.

1	Yes, through recognition of my work experience
2	Yes, through recognition of competences gained <u>outside of school or higher education study programmes</u> (e.g. non-formal courses, self-study, volunteer work etc.)
3	Yes, through recognition of competences gained <u>in other higher education study programmes or school</u>
4	No

2.9. Did you have any paid job(s) prior to entering higher education for the first time?

Please include also paid apprenticeships or paid internships.

Please exclude compulsory military service or equivalent.

Single choice.

1	Yes, I worked <u>continuously</u> for at least one year without interruption <u>and at least</u> 20h per week
2	Yes, I worked <u>continuously</u> for at least one year without interruption <u>and less than</u> 20h per week
3	Yes, I worked, but less than one year
4	No, I did not work prior to entering higher education

- If “Yes, ...” → please go to question 2.10
- If “No,...” → please go to question 3.1

2.10. [Only students with work experience prior to entering HE] How closely related was/were your paid job(s) to your current (main) study programme?

Please refer to your paid job(s) prior to entering higher education for the first time

	Not at all				Very closely
	1	2	3	4	5

3. Study Conditions

3.1. During the current term, are you experiencing any difficulties in your current (main) study programme due to any of the following?

Multiple answers possible.

1	Yes, due to the standard of work required in my study programme (demanding exams/ papers/ presentations, number of tests, etc.)
2	Yes, due to organisational issues at my higher education institution (e.g. time table organisation, space restrictions in lectures/classes, mandatory attendance, etc.)
3	Yes, due to administrative issues at my higher education institution (e.g. delayed grades/results/credit transfers, registration procedures for courses/exams, etc.)
4	Yes, due to other study-related aspects
5	Yes, due to financial difficulties
6	Yes, due to obligations of my paid job
7	Yes, due to childcare obligations or pregnancy
8	Yes, due to health issues, impairments, accidental injuries
9	Yes, due to lack of motivation
10	Yes, due to other personal reasons (e.g. family matters)
11	No

3.2. To what extent do you generally agree with the following statements regarding the teaching staff in your (main) study programme this term?

	Do not agree at all				Strongly Agree
The teaching staff normally give me helpful feedback on how I am going.	1	2	3	4	5
The teaching staff motivate me to do my best work.	1	2	3	4	5
The teaching staff are extremely good at explaining things.	1	2	3	4	5

3.3. Generally, to what extent do you agree with the following statements with regard to your current (main) study programme?

	Do not agree at all				Strongly Agree
I get along well with the teaching staff in my current (main) study programme.	1	2	3	4	5
The teaching staff are interested in what I have to say.	1	2	3	4	5
I know a lot of fellow students with whom I can discuss subject-related questions.	1	2	3	4	5
I have contact to many students in my current (main) study programme.	1	2	3	4	5

3.4. How many hours do you spend in taught courses and on personal study time in a typical week during this term?

Try to fill in the amount of hours per day for each day of the week, including the weekend.

Add a '0' if no hours were spent on an activity on the respective day.

In case lectures do not take place weekly (e.g. 8hrs-seminars on three days of the semester), please average out the total time spent accordingly.

Please refer to hours of 60 min here.

	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA	SU
Taught studies (lessons, seminars, labs, tests, live online courses of your study programme, etc.)							
Personal study time (like preparation, studying, homework, unpaid internships, etc.)							

3.5. Looking at the time you spend on study-related activities and paid job(s) during this term, please indicate if you would like to spend less or more time on the following activities:

	Less	Same	More
Time on taught studies			
Personal study time			
Time on paid job(s)			

3.6. Generally, to what extent do you agree with the following thoughts regarding your studies?

	Do not agree at all				Strongly Agree
It is often hard to discover what is expected of me in my current (main) study programme.	1	2	3	4	5
I would recommend my current (main) study programme.	1	2	3	4	5
I often have the feeling that I don't really belong in higher education.	1	2	3	4	5
It was always clear I would study in higher education one day.	1	2	3	4	5
I am seriously thinking about changing my current (main) study programme.	1	2	3	4	5
I am seriously thinking of completely abandoning my higher education studies.	1	2	3	4	5

3.7. How satisfied are you with the support provided to you by your higher education institution regarding the following aspects?

	I do not need/want support	Not sufficient at all				Entirely sufficient
Study support services (e.g. organised tutoring, (academic) writing/bridging courses, mentoring)	6	1	2	3	4	5
Provision of learning facilities (e.g. library, computer centre, work places)	6	1	2	3	4	5
Support to balance my studies and paid job	6	1	2	3	4	5
Support to balance my studies and family	6	1	2	3	4	5
Support in the preparation for my (future) work life	6	1	2	3	4	5

3.8. How would you rate your performance so far in your current (main) study programme in comparison to that of your fellow students?

	Much worse	Somewhat worse	Just as good	Somewhat better	Much better
Overall, my performance is...	1	2	3	4	5

3.9. To what extent do you feel your current (main) study programme is preparing you for the labour market?

	Unable to rate	Very poorly				Very well
National labour market	6	1	2	3	4	5
International labour market	6	1	2	3	4	5

4. Living Conditions

4.1. Who do you live with during term-time (Monday to Friday)?

Multiple answers possible.

1	Parents/guardians (or grandparents, uncles, aunts, or similar)
2	Partner/spouse
3	My child(ren)/my partner's child(ren)
4	With (an)other person(s) not mentioned above (e.g. students, friends, etc.)
5	I live alone

- *Students living with parents (or grandparents, uncles, aunts, or similar) irrespective of other answer categories ticked → please go to question 4.3.*
- *Students not living with parents (or grandparents, uncles, aunts, or similar) → please go to question 4.2.*

4.2. [Only students who do not live with their parents/guardians (or grandparents, uncles, aunts, or similar)] Do you live in student accommodation, e.g. halls of residence?

Single choice.

1	Yes
0	No

4.3. How satisfied are you with your accommodation concerning the following aspects?

	Not satisfied at all					Very Satisfied
Cost	1	2	3	4	5	
Location	1	2	3	4	5	
Overall condition	1	2	3	4	5	
Travel time to higher education institution	1	2	3	4	5	

4.4. On a typical day during term, how much time does it take you to get from your home to your higher education institution?

Home is your place of living during term (Monday until Friday)

One way _____ minutes on average

4A. Employment

4.5. Do you have (a) paid job(s) during term-time?

Please also include paid internships and self-employment.

Single choice.

1	Yes, I work during the whole term
2	Yes, I work from time to time during term-time
3	No, I don't work during term-time

- If “Yes, I work during the whole term” or “Yes, I work from time to time during term-time” → please go to question 4.6
- If “No, I don't work during term-time” → please go to question 4.10.

4.6. **[Only students who work during term-time]** How many hours do you spend on your paid job(s) in a typical week in the current term?

Paid job(s): _____ hours per week

4.7. **[Only students who work during term-time]** To what extent do the following statements apply to your situation?

Please refer to your paid job(s) during the current term.

	Does not apply at all					Applies totally
I work to cover my living costs	1	2	3	4	5	
I work to gain experience on the labour market	1	2	3	4	5	
Without my paid job, I could not afford to be a student	1	2	3	4	5	
I work because I have to support others financially (children, partner, parents etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	
I work so I can afford things I otherwise would not buy.	1	2	3	4	5	

4.8. [Only students who work during term-time] How closely related is/are your paid job(s) to the content of your current study programme?

Please refer to your paid job(s) during the current term

Not at all					Very closely
1	2	3	4	5	

4.9. [Only students who work during term-time] Which of the following describes your current situation best?

1	Primarily I am a student, and I am working alongside my studies
2	Primarily I work, and I am studying alongside my paid job(s)

4.10. Did you have (a) paid job(s) during a lecture-free period/holidays during the last 12 months?

Please also include paid internships.
Single choice.

1	Yes
0	No

4B. Income and Expenditure

4.11. What kind of financial support do you receive regularly from your family and/or partner?

Financial support from family or partner: This support can be provided in various ways: in the form of cash/bank transfers, in the form of bills paid directly by the family/ partner or in the form of goods that are provided free of charge (i.e. transfers in kind)

Cash/ Bank transfers could be any money used for living or studying (incl. for fees)

Bills paid directly could be one or more of the following: rent, electricity, heating, tuition or other fees, phone bill, subscriptions, public transport, or similar bills

Transfers in kind could be one or more of the following: free accommodation, food, clothes, phone, car use, or similar goods provided

Please check all that apply.

	...regularly provides me with money in cash/bank transfers	...pays bills for me regularly and directly	...regularly provides me with any transfers in kind
My family (parents, siblings, relatives)...	1	2	3
My partner...	1	2	3
I do not receive this kind of support from my family or partner	1	2	3

4.12. Is anyone else regularly and directly paying any bills for you, or providing you with transfers in kind?

Bills paid directly could be one or more of the following: rent, electricity, heating, tuition or other fees, phone bill, subscriptions, public transport, or similar bills

Transfers in kind could be one or more of the following: accommodation, food, clothes, phone, car use, or similar goods provided)

Please check all that apply.

	...pays bills for me regularly and directly	...regularly provides me with any transfers in kind
Yes, my employer...	1	2
Yes, another person or institution...	1	2
No	1	2

4.13. Are you receiving a public grant/scholarship or a public loan during the current term?

Multiple answers possible.

1	Yes, a grant from SUSI (Student Universal Support Ireland)
2	Yes, other public grant/scholarship from Ireland
3	Yes, other public student loan from Ireland
4	Yes, financial support from my higher education institution university
5	Yes, grant/scholarship/loan from another country (i.e. not from Ireland)
6	No

4.14. Are you financing your living or study costs during the current term (partly) through savings?

Multiple answers possible.

1	Yes, through savings from previous jobs (e.g. earned during holidays)
2	Yes, through other savings (e.g. inheritance, gifts of money, capital income, sales, prize money)
3	No

4.15. Are you personally receiving income from any other sources during the current term?

Please take only money into account that you (and not your family or partner) receive personally.

Multiple answers possible.

1	Yes, from public sources (e.g. child benefit, housing benefits, pension, unemployment benefits, support for orphans)
2	Yes, <u>non- repayable</u> income from private sources (e.g. alimony, private scholarships, income from capital, property, occasional income from sales, gifts)
3	Yes, <u>repayable</u> income from private sources (e.g. bank loan, private borrowing)
4	No

4.16. What is the average monthly amount available to you in cash or via bank transfers from the following sources during the current term?

“Available to you” is the money which is meant for monthly consumption, no matter when it was received. Bills paid directly for you or transfers in kind are not “available to you”.

Please try to estimate the monthly amounts, even if income is not received monthly.

[In the online questionnaire, the choices will be filtered based on the responses to previous questions]

	Average Amount in Euro (per month)
Cash or transfer to my bank account from parents or guardians	
Cash or transfer to my bank account from partner	
SUSI grant	
Other Irish public grant or scholarship	
Other Irish public student loan	
Financial support from my higher educational institution	
Student support from another country (grant/scholarship/loan)	
Income from paid job during term-time	
Savings from previous jobs used for living/studying during term-time	
Savings (not from previous jobs) used for living/studying during term-time	
Other income from <u>public</u> sources (e.g. child benefit, housing benefit, pension, unemployment benefits, support for orphans)	
Other <u>non-repayable</u> income from <u>private</u> sources (e.g. alimony, private scholarship, income from capital, property, occasional income from sales, gifts)	
Other <u>repayable</u> income from <u>private</u> sources (e.g. loan, private borrowing)	
Total (automatically calculated by programme)	

4.17. What are your average expenses for the following items during the academic year?

[If 4.11.1.2=1 or 4.11.2.2=1 or 4.12.1.1=1 or 4.12.2.1=1 or 4.11.1.3=1 or 4.11.2.3=1 or 0.1.2=1 or 4.12.2.2=1] You have indicated that others regularly pay some of your bills directly and/or that you regularly receive transfers in kind: Please enter the approx. amount (i.e. sum of bills and transfers in kind) in the second column.

[If 4.11.1.3=1 and 4.1.1=1] Please try to estimate only cost your family pays additionally for you, e.g. for your food. If your parents would rent the same apartment without you living with them, they would not be paying any extra rent for you (hence enter 0), but you may be consuming additional electricity or other operating cost.

[If question 4.11.2.3=1 and 4.1.2=1] Please try to estimate only cost you pay for yourself and enter in the second column only cost your partner pays additionally for you. E.g. if you as a couple divide the accommodation cost, please enter your part of the accommodation cost in the first column and 0 in the second column. If your partner pays the total accommodation cost, please enter 0 in the first column and the share your partner pays for you in the second column.

If other persons (e.g. children, parents, partner) are financially dependent on you, please treat them as part of your own cost (e.g. if you pay the food for yourself and a child, please enter the total cost for both of you).

	I pay out of my own pocket	[Filtered] Paid by others directly for me (bills or transfers in kind)
Tuition fees or other fees for studying paid per academic year		
Fees (for tuition/registration/administration)		
Contributions to student unions/associations/councils or for student services or insurances [except medical insurance]		
Regular <u>monthly</u> costs during term-time		
Part of) my accommodation costs (rent/mortgage including utilities, water, electricity etc.) (
Food		
Transportation		
Communication (telephone, internet, etc.)		
Health costs (e.g. medicine, medical insurance)		
Childcare		
Debt payment (except mortgage)		
Social and leisure activities		
Other regular living costs (clothing, toiletries tobacco, pets, insurance [except medical insurance]) or alimony		
Other study-related costs (e.g. field trips, books, photocopying, private tutoring, additional courses)		
Total regular monthly costs (automatically calculated by programme)		

4.18. To what extent are you currently experiencing financial difficulties?

Not at all					Very seriously
1	2	3	4	5	

4.19. Would you be able to pay for an unexpected required expense of €500?

1	Yes, I would be able to pay this through my own resources
2	No, but someone else (parents, family, partner etc.) would pay this for me
3	No, I could not afford this through my own resources and nobody else would be able to pay this for me.

4C. Internships

4.20. Have you done any internships (of at least one week, mandatory or voluntary) since you first entered higher education in Ireland?

Eurostudent defines an internship as gaining practical experience on the labour market, thus teaching practice would be classed as an internship

Multiple answers possible, but “No” is exclusive

1	Yes, one or more internship(s) in Ireland
2	Yes, one or more internship(s) outside of Ireland
3	No

- *If internship done in Ireland → please go to question 4.21*
- *If internship done outside of Ireland → please go to question 4.23*
- *If “No” → please go to question 5.1*

4.21. *[If internship done in Ireland]* Was your most recent internship in Ireland...

Single choice.

1	Mandatory part of the curriculum
2	Voluntary (i.e. not part of the curriculum).

4.22. [If internship done in Ireland] Was your most recent internship in Ireland paid or unpaid?

Single choice.

1	Paid
2	Unpaid

- If no internships abroad → please go to question 5.1

4.23. [If internship done abroad] Was your most recent internship abroad...

Single choice.

1	Mandatory part of the curriculum
2	Voluntary (i.e. not part of the curriculum).

4.24. [If internship done abroad] Was your most recent internship abroad paid or unpaid?

Single choice.

1	Paid
2	Unpaid

4.25. [Only students who did an internship abroad] In which country did you do your internship abroad and how long was your internship abroad?

Country:	Drop-down list
Duration of the internship in months:	

4.26. [Only students who did an internship abroad] Within which of the following organisational frameworks was your internship abroad organised?

Single choice.

1	Erasmus (+)
2	Other EU-programme
3	Other programme
4	Independently organised, without any programme

4.27. [Only students who did an internship abroad] What qualification were you studying for in Ireland when you did your internship abroad?

Multiple answers possible.

1	Higher Certificate	ISCED Level 5
2	Advanced Certificate	ISCED Level 5
3	Undergraduate Diploma	ISCED Level 5
4	Undergraduate General Degree	ISCED Level 6
5	Undergraduate Honours Degree	ISCED Level 6
6	Higher Diploma	ISCED Level 6
7	Masters Research (Postgraduate)	ISCED Level 7
8	Masters Taught (Postgraduate)	ISCED Level 7
9	Postgraduate Certificate	ISCED Level 7
10	Postgraduate Diploma	ISCED Level 7
11	PhD or doctorate	ISCED Level 8
12	Other, not listed here	
13	Outside of any degree programme	

4.28. [Only students who did an internship abroad] Did you gain any ECTS with your internship abroad?

ECTS: (European Credit Transfer System) – for more information see [here](#). The term is also used to describe credits (achievements, certificates, exams) obtained towards the fulfilment of a study programme.

1	Yes
0	No
2	Don't know (yet)

5. International Mobility

5.1. Have you ever taken part in any of the following temporary study-related activities abroad since you first entered higher education in Ireland?

[If already done an internship abroad] change the question to:

5.1a. Besides your internship abroad: Have you ever taken part in any of the following temporary study-related activities abroad since you first entered higher education in Ireland?

Abroad = outside of Ireland

Multiple answers possible.

1	<u>Temporary study period abroad</u> during a study programme in Ireland (e.g. a semester abroad)
2	Other study-related activities abroad <u>of at least 3 months</u> (e.g. research/field trip, language course, summer course)
3	Other study-related activities abroad <u>of less than 3 months</u> (e.g. a research/field trip, language course, summer course)
4	<u>No</u> study-related activities abroad

- *If temporary study period abroad → please go to question 5.3*
- *For all other answers → please go to question 5.2*

5.2. [Only students who have not done a temporary study period abroad yet] Taking a closer look at temporary study periods abroad: How would you best describe your intentions?

Single choice.

1	I am currently preparing a temporary study period abroad.
2	I haven't made any arrangements, but I am intending to go abroad for a temporary study period
3	I do not intend to go abroad for a temporary study period

- please go on to question 5.8

[Pre-question text]

The following questions focus on your temporary study period abroad.

If you did more than one temporary study period abroad, please refer to the most recent stay.

5.3. [Only students who have been enrolled abroad] In which country were you temporarily studying abroad, and for how long?

Country	[Drop- down list of countries].
Duration in months:	

5.4. [Only students who did a study period abroad] Within which of the following organisational frameworks was your temporary study period abroad organised?

1	Erasmus (+)
2	Other EU-programme
3	Other programme
4	Independently organised, without any programme

5.5. [Only students who did a study period abroad] What qualification were you studying for in Ireland when you went (temporarily) to study abroad?

1	Advanced Certificate	ISCED Level 5
2	Higher Certificate	ISCED Level 5
3	Undergraduate Diploma	ISCED Level 5
4	Undergraduate General Degree	ISCED Level 6
5	Undergraduate Honours Degree	ISCED Level 6
6	Higher Diploma	ISCED Level 6
7	Masters Research (Postgraduate)	ISCED Level 7
8	Masters Taught (Postgraduate)	ISCED Level 7
9	Postgraduate Certificate	ISCED Level 7
10	Postgraduate Diploma	ISCED Level 7
11	PhD or doctorate	ISCED Level 8
12	Other, not listed here	

- *ISCED explanations are only shown here for mapping.*

5.6. [Only students who did a study period abroad] Were the credits (ECTS, competences, certificates) you gained recognised towards your study programme in Ireland?

ECTS: (European Credit Transfer System) – for more information see [here](#). The term is also used to describe credits (achievements, certificates, exams) obtained towards the fulfilment of a study programme.

1	Yes, all credits were recognised
2	Yes, the credits were partly recognised
3	No, none of the credits were recognised
4	I did not gain any credits
5	I don't know (yet)
6	I never planned on getting any credits recognised

5.7. [Only students who did a study period abroad] Which of the following sources did you use to fund your temporary study period abroad and which one of them was your primary source of funding?

Please think about all costs of studying abroad including, e.g. travel costs to the foreign location, housing, food, tuition/registration fees at the host institution, etc.

Please indicate all sources of funding you used (multiple answers) and the primary source of funding (single choice).

	Sources of funding	Primary source of funding
Contribution from parents/ family/ partner		
Own income from previous job or own savings		
Income from paid job during my studies abroad		
Study grants/ loans from host country		
Regular study grants/ loans from Ireland		
Special study grants/loans from Ireland for going abroad		
EU study grants/loans (e.g. Erasmus)		
Other		

5.8. [All students] To what extent are or were the following aspects an obstacle to you for enrolment abroad?

If you have been enrolled abroad, please consider to which extent the following aspects were real obstacles to the planning and implementation of the period abroad.

If you have not been enrolled abroad (yet), please consider to which extent the following aspects currently deter you from going abroad.

	No obstacle		Big obstacle		
Insufficient skills in foreign language	1	2	3	4	5
Lack of information provided by my higher education institution	1	2	3	4	5
Separation from partner, child(ren)	1	2	3	4	5
Separation from social circle (friends, parents, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Additional financial burden	1	2	3	4	5
Loss of paid job	1	2	3	4	5
Lack of motivation	1	2	3	4	5
Low benefit for my studies at home	1	2	3	4	5
Difficult integration of enrolment abroad into the structure of my home study programme	1	2	3	4	5
Problems with recognition of results achieved abroad	1	2	3	4	5
Problems with access regulations to the preferred country (visa, residence permit)	1	2	3	4	5
Limited admittance to mobility programmes	1	2	3	4	5
My health/disability	1	2	3	4	5

6. Personal Details

6.1. In which country were you and your parents (or those who raised you) born?

Please enter "Don't know" if unknown

	Country	Don't Know
You	[drop-down list]	
Father/Guardian 1	[drop-down list]	
Mother/Guardian 2	[drop-down list]	

6.2. Do you and your parents (or those who raised you) have Irish citizenship?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
You			
Father/Guardian 1			
Mother/Guardian 2			

6.3. In how many languages do you assess your written and spoken skills as (very) good (including your native language(s))?

Single choice.

1	In one language
2	In two languages
3	In three languages
4	In four languages
5	In more than four languages

6.4. Do you have children?

Single choice.

1	Yes, _____ child(ren)
2	No

If "Yes" → continue with question 6.5

If "No" → continue with question 6.6

6.5. [Only students who have children] How old is your youngest child?

_____ year(s) of age

6.6. Please indicate if you have a disability, impairment, long-standing health problem, functional limitation or learning disability.

"Long-standing health problem" describes a health problem that has lasted or is likely to last for at least 6 months.

Multiple answers possible.

1	Yes, physical chronic disease
2	Yes, mental health problem
3	Yes, mobility impairment
4	Yes, sensory impairment (vision, hearing)
5	Yes, learning disability (e.g. Dyslexia)
6	Yes, another long-standing health problem/ functional limitation/ impairment/ etc.
7	No

- *If "Yes,..." → continue with question 6.7*
- *If "No" → continue with question 7.1.*

[Pre question text]

[Only students who have indicated an impairment] The following questions are directed at students with disabilities, impairments, physical chronic diseases, mental health problems, learning disabilities, other long-standing health problems or functional limitations.

To keep the texts brief, we use the term “impairment” as an umbrella term. We hope you will understand this decision, even if you personally prefer the use of another term.

6.7. [Only students who have indicated an impairment] Is/ are your impairment(s) noticeable to others?

Single choice.

1	Yes, other people notice the first time they meet me that I have an impairment
2	Yes, other people will probably notice after some time that I have an impairment
3	No, my impairment is not generally noticeable to others

6.8. [Only students who have indicated an impairment] Due to your impairment(s) to what extent are you limited...?

	Severely limited	Limited but not severely	Not limited at all
... in activities people usually do?	1	2	3
... in your studies?	1	2	3

6.9. [Only students who have indicated an impairment that is severely limiting their studies or limiting their studies but not severely] Please think of the limitations you face in your studies due to your impairment: How would you rate the public and institutional support you receive to overcome these limitations?

I do not need/ want any support	Not sufficient at all					Entirely sufficient
6	1	2	3	4	5	

7. Family Background

[Pre question text]

In this section you will be asked some questions about your family background. The following questions are about your mother and father or those person(s) who raised you.

7.1. What is the highest level of education your mother/guardian and father/guardian have obtained?

	Mother or Guardian 1	Father or Guardian 2
No formal qualification [ISCED 0]	1	1
Primary only [ISCED 1]	2	2
Group/Inter/Junior Certificate [ISCED 2]	3	3
Apprenticeship without Leaving Certificate [ISCED 2]	4	4
Leaving Certificate [ISCED 3]	5	5
Further Education Award/Other Further Education [ISCED 3]	6	6
Apprenticeship with Leaving Certificate [ISCED 3]	7	7
Higher Certificate [ISCED 5]	8	8
Diploma [ISCED 5]	9	9
Ordinary Bachelor Degree [ISCED 6]	10	10
Honours Bachelor Degree [ISCED 7]	11	11
Postgraduate Cert/Diploma [ISCED 7]	12	12
Masters Degree [ISCED 7]	13	13
PhD or higher [ISCED 8]	14	14
I don't know	15	15

7.2. How well-off financially do you think your parents (or guardians) are compared with other families?

If one or both of your parents is/are deceased, please refer to their most recent financial situation.

If your parents/guardians are separated/ divorced, please try to average the financial situation of your parents/guardians (who raised you).

Single choice.

Not at all well-off	Not very well-off	Average	Somewhat well-off	Very well-off
1	2	3	4	5

