

[IRELAND] – [University of Limerick]

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I. Your overall feeling after your semester abroad

Help : How was your experience abroad? If you could go back I time, would you go to this university and why ?

II. Before the travel

A. Preparation

1. Visa

Help : Do I need a visa ? If yes, what is the process ?

No

2. The flight

Help : what flight did you take (the company name, airport etc.) and when did you take your flight ticket

Ryanair flight Montpellier-Dublin, booked my ticket 3 weeks in advance

3. My luggage

Help : what to not forget in the luggage (what was useful and what you would like to have taken)

Warm clothes, backpack, umbrella

4. Bank account

Help : did you have to change bank? To respect some amount requirement on the bank account etc.

No

5. Insurance

Help : What insurance did you subscribe to ?

LMDE étranger

B. Housing

1. Where to live

Help : Do a google maps capture and circle the area you recommend to live in (and the one you do not recommend)

The best when studying at the university of Limerick is to live on campus, I personally lived in Thomond village but you can also choose other villages like Capavilla, Kilmurry, Plassey... I do not recommend off campus villages since they are far from the university.

2. Find a flat or a room

Help : How did you find your flat? Do you have any recommendation

I found it thanks to the university of limerick accommodation services, I had to list the villages I wished to live in by order of preference. I would recommend doing every step as soon as possible, they allocate the flats in a first come first served type of logic.

3. Cost

Help : How much should I plan for a room?

It depends on the village, I personally paid 780€ a month for a room with private facilities. When you have a flat with shared facilities, the cost decreases.

III. When I arrive at the university

A. Inscription at the university

Help : How was the process, what did you have to do?

I made my inscription online beforehand, then within the first two weeks of trying out classes I had to submit a list of the permanent classes I wished to keep for the whole semester.

B. Information on the university

1. Courses

Help : List the different courses, and for each course, describe the format, the content, the exam, what did you like and not like, would you recommend it for the next student?

I made the choice to only take courses that were mostly evaluated on projects and team work since I wanted to learn on field and by working with Irish students to improve my English.

The classes I took were : marketing leadership, employment relations, consumption and consumer culture, applied organizational behavior, entrepreneurship and innovation.

I especially advise you to take the marketing leadership year 4 course if you are interested in marketing and wish to be challenged, this course allows you (among other things) to run a full marketing analysis for a real company and then present it in front of this company.

2. Advice on “contrat d'étude”

Help : would you recommend for a student when picking its courses

Make sure that : you have all the pre-requisites asked for each course; the course is taught in the right language; it makes sense with your professional career plan; it interests you; it is the right year according to your level...

IV. When I live there

A. Safety

Help : Is it safe? Is there areas or times I should avoid

The city of Limerick is extremely safe even at night, people are nice and always willing to help whenever you feel lost. The university is safe as well thanks to the security cars doing rounds at day and at night even in the villages.

B. Phone and Internet

Help : How to be able to call and have internet

I changed my phone contract to an international one before leaving France.

C. Events

Help : How to know about the events?

To know everything about the events make sure to follow the Instagram account of the student life (equivalent of the BDE in France). That way you will know about any event going on. The university will also keep you updated by email.

D. Sports

Help : What sport can I do ? and how?

You can do any sport (rugby; football; hurling; tennis; outdoor pursuits; surf...); you just have to join the sport club you are interested in.

E. Eating

Help : Any recommendation? Or good tips (e.g. an international house buffet)

I recommend taking the Lidl bus on Monday; since every supermarket is quite far away that will be a big help to do groceries every week. (the bus comes to the university, takes you to Lidl and then takes you back to your village.)

F. Go to the university : bus, car, bike

Help : How did you get access to the bus, car or bike

Since I lived on campus I managed to go everywhere just by walking but there is a bus stop called Stables just in front of the university. You can also rent a bike for free for 3 hours to any village reception if you are on campus.

G. Travels

Help : What do you recommend and what do you not recommend

I recommend going on the Saturday trips organized by the student life club; it is quite cheap and it will allow you to visit many places. (Dublin, Galway, Cork...)

H. Any other information you would have liked to know about

Help : What would I liked to know if I could have gone back in time

V. Photos



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