

## [IRLANDE] – [University of Limerick]

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## I. Your overall feeling after your semester abroad

My experience abroad was wonderful because I came across incredible people and I visited breath-taking places that I could not have seen otherwise. The campus is really great, with all necessary amenities, and courses and teaching staff are perfect.

### **GRADE : 4**

*=> 0 (I do not recommend this semester abroad to my best friend) - 5 (I totally recommend this semester to my best friend)*

## II. Before the travel

### A. Preparation

#### 1. Visa

*No Visa required, unless you come from a non-EU country.*

#### 2. The flight

*I took a Ryanair flight, thank to the ESN card, we can have 10% cut on the flight price and a free 20kg suitcase on-board. Hence, I paid around 100€ (with 2 suitcases and a backpack) for the first flight to reach Dublin, because I took it at the last minute. Nevertheless, we can find less expensive flights.*

#### 3. My luggage

*Since the accommodation is equipped enough, no need to focus on anything else than clothes and bedsheets if you are not willing to pay 25 € for those provided by the village.*

#### 4. Bank account

*If you have a french bank account already, no need to change anything since the Euro is also Ireland's currency. Otherwise I have no idea.*

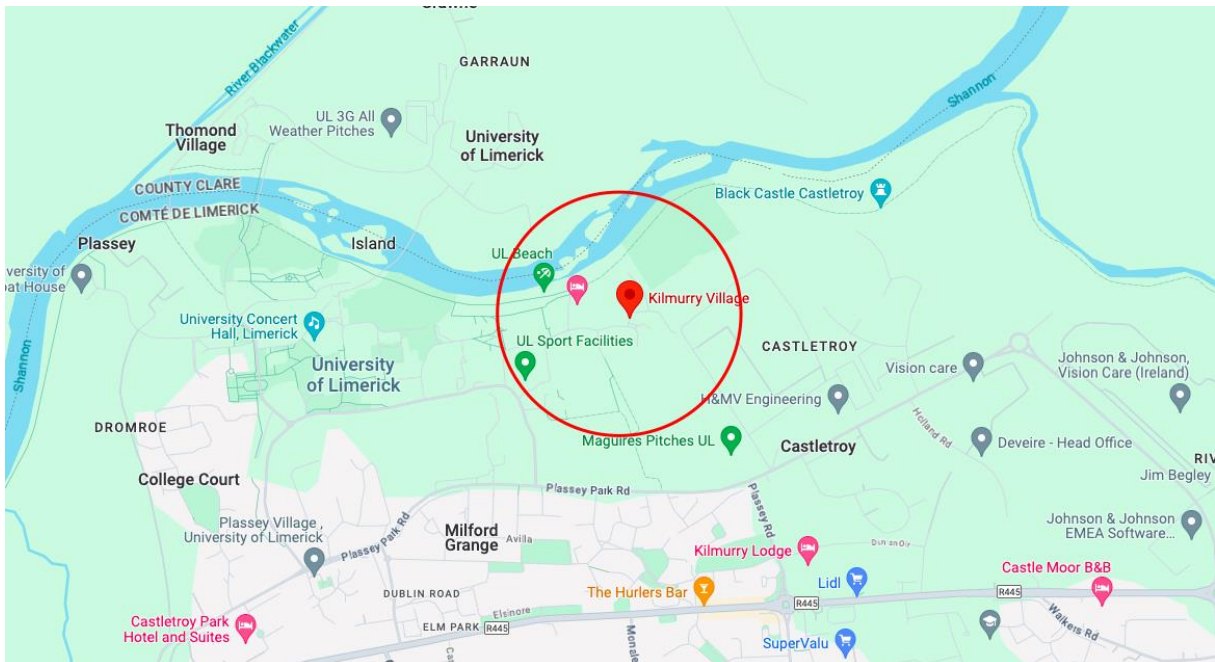
## 5. Insurance

*I was under the European health insurance protection thanks to the European Health Insurance card I asked to the "Sécurité Sociale" website (Amélie) and delivered within 10 days.*

### B. Housing

#### 1. Where to live

*If you can, you HAVE to choose Kilmurry village as your accommodation. The village is the cutest, especially when the weather is sunny, you are next to the UL Beach, next to the UL sport facilities (gym, tennis courts, running tracks etc.) and the ambiance is the best on the campus. That is where I personally met most of my friends, hopefully it will be the same for you !*



#### 2. Find a flat or a room

*Once you are accepted into the University, there is no need to panic, every information will be provided by mail and it is crystal clear. You shall not have any issue finding your on-campus accommodation.*

#### 3. Cost

*That is the worst part about Irish accommodations : it is extremely expensive. I personally had to pay 780€/month to have a room in a 6 room house in Kilmurry. Nevertheless, some accommodations are a bit cheaper but I would not recommend them since they are very far from the campus' life (Thomond, Troy etc.)*

### III. When I arrive at the university

#### A. Inscription at the university

*Once again there is no particularity in the inscription process, everything is detailed into mails, and the international student department is extremely active and supporting.*

#### B. Information on the university

##### 1. Class

*I had 5 courses :*

*- **International Tax** --> Advise you to take it, every courses are online and the teacher is the nicest most helpful person ever, it was a pleasure.*

*- **Marketing Communications** --> Advise you to take it, the teacher put a lot of energy into his class and you would not be willing to miss this show + he is adorable and half of the final grade is a group work.*

*- **Empirical Finance** --> Would not advise you to take it, the teacher is great but I do not like finance and it is not any better in Ireland than it is in France.*

*- **Foundations of Aircraft Leasing** --> Advise you to take it, the whole final grade is based on 2 homework with way enough time to realize them so no worries.*

*- **Air transportation** --> Advise you to take it, every courses are online and the teacher is the nicest most helpful person ever, it was a pleasure.*

##### 2. Organization of the Class

Each class lasts 1 hour maximum, so you might have around 15 hours of course each week, sometimes even less.

##### 3. List of courses and recommendation

*(cf. 1. for pros and cons), International Tax was kind of new so nothing to compare with into MoMa, Marketing Communications was way more interesting and pleasant in Ireland, it was not hard, Empirical Finance was just as hard as in MoMa, Foundations of Aircraft Leasing was medium hard and Air Transportation was easy.*

##### 4. Exam

*Exam are either 2,5h long or under 1h long, but for most subjects it does not count for the whole grade since there are a lot of homework which makes it possible to have good grades all along the semester.*

## IV. When I live there

### A. Safety

*The campus is safe, you should nevertheless close your windows if you can watch the place because there has been an incident.*

### B. Phone and Internet

*There is an on-campus free internet connexion, if you go out of the campus there is 4G almost everywhere in the country, you will just have to use your foreign data but it should be specified in your operator contract.*

### C. Events

*Bond with people, follow @ul\_studentlife ; @ulglobal and @universityoflimerick on Instagram and you will not miss anything.*

### D. Sports

*There are plenty of sport clubs and associations on the campus, what you can do is go on the US Wolves website and see what you like. You just have to pay a small amount and you are into the club/association.*

### E. Eating

*Go to Lidl or Aldi, it is the less expensive. There are on-campus places to eat but it is neither really cheap nor good.*

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

*You can walk, or rent a bike, but everything is pretty close. To reach the city center, you should take the bus nearby Stables (the campus bar). To pay less, you have to order a Leap Card once you arrive into the country, it will make you save A LOT of money.*

### G. Travels

*The country is wonderful and no matter where you go, you will be breath-taken. Just go with the flow ! Nevertheless, you should not miss the cliffs of Moher or the Giant Causeway in Northern Ireland, those are absolutely divines.*

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

*LEAP CARD WILL SAVE YOU A LOT, I INSIST ON IT, BUY IT AS YOU ARRIVE INTO YOUR ACCOMMODATION !*

V. After your semester abroad

A. What are you planning do to?

*I will settle in Paris, to study in La Sorbonne for my master.*

B. Did you apply for master?

*I got accepted into the Logistique, Marketing et Distribution Master in La Sorbonne, what for I am so happy and proud, it is some kind of a dream that comes true.*