

A GUIDE TO

Life in Ireland



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IRELAND**

Ireland in Numbers

Known as the Emerald Isle for its lush green landscapes and rolling hills, it is said that Ireland offers one hundred thousand welcomes and a song for every occasion.



Average graduate salary in Ireland
€33,750
per year



7 Universities,
7 Colleges of Education,
14 Institutes of Technology



The third safest in the world

(Global Peace Index 2022)



Over
250,000
university students
and 5m inhabitants overall



Top 10%
of happiest nations on earth

(World Happiness Report 2023)



Consistently in the **world's top 20 countries for quality of life, peace and human development**



Five of Ireland's universities rank within the **top 500 institutions in the world**

QS World Rankings 2023

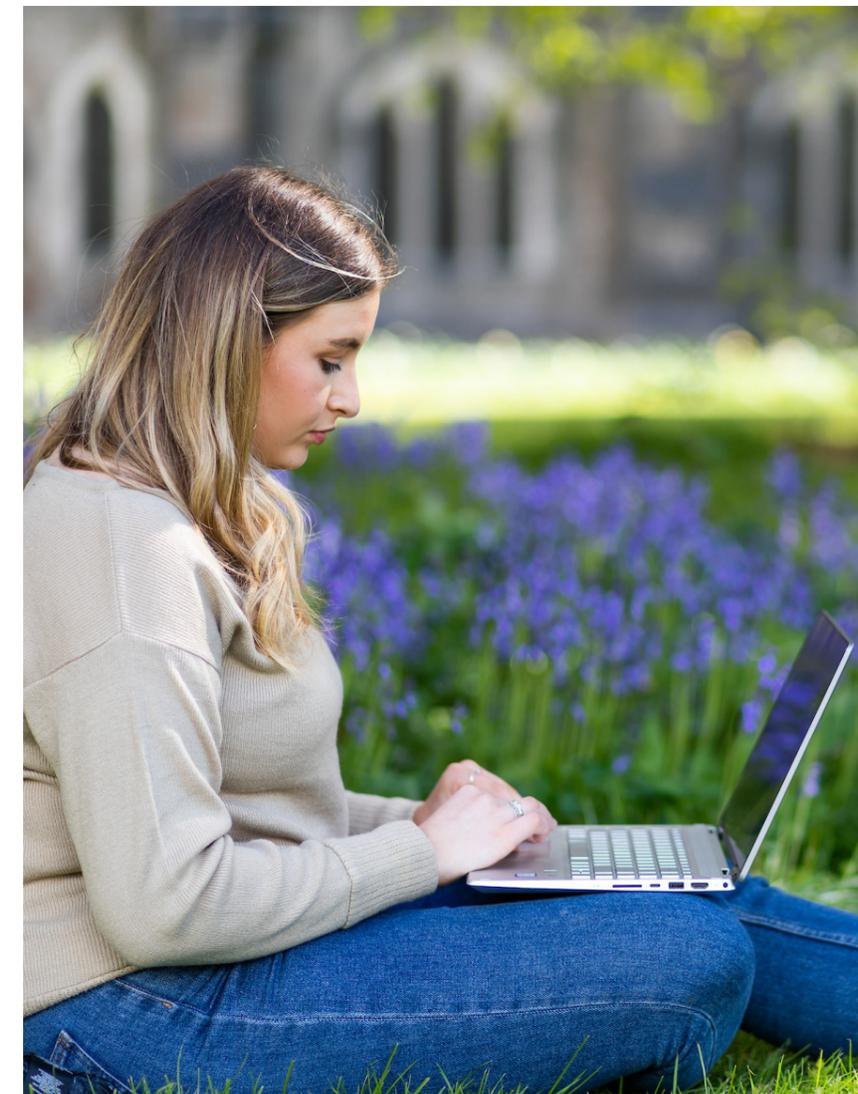


Our Location

ONCAMPUS Ireland is based in Maynooth, 25km to the west of Dublin.

Maynooth is a university town in north County Kildare, Ireland. It is home to Maynooth University (part of the National University of Ireland and also known as the National University of Ireland) and St Patrick's Pontifical University. During the academic year the population doubles in size as students return for another academic intake.

Maynooth has a canal harbour, navigable from central Dublin via Maynooth to Clondara, County Longford. Maynooth railway station is one of the busiest in the Dublin / Kildare region, as it serves two major educational institutions and is a major commuter town for people working in Dublin.



Maynooth University ranked
1st in Ireland

(THE) Best Young University Rankings 2023



Maynooth is Ireland's oldest university town since 1795.



Maynooth's normal population is 12,000 which swells to over twice that in term time.

Things to do in and around Maynooth

The Roost in Maynooth is where music, song and dance are enjoyed by Maynooth's students. Cinemas are nearby in Blanchardstown and Liffey Valley shopping centres about 15 minutes away towards Dublin, if its theatre, you are sure to find a great play or show at the world renowned Abbey, Gate, or Olympia Theatres in Dublin.

Dublin's coastal routes are beautiful, sprinkled with fishing bays, swimming areas and beaches. Just north of Dublin are Portmarnock, Bettystown and Laytown beaches all accessible by bus and train from Dublin.

Just south of Dublin is the Wicklow Mountains National Park for biking and walking trails as well as ancient Glendalough. Inland from Maynooth is Donadea Forest Park, the Bog of Allen Nature Reserve at Lullymore and Russborough House and Gardens to allow you to immerse yourself in Ireland's unique natural environment!



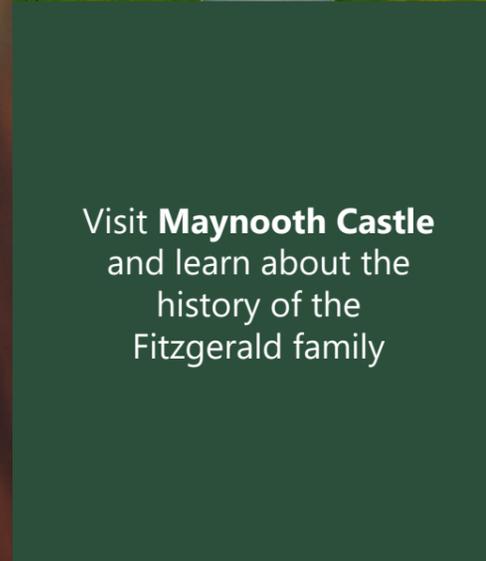
For concert go-ers, there's also the 3 Arena and the RDS together with larger outdoor events at Croke Park and the Aviva Stadium. If you can stay for the summer months, make sure you visit one of the many music festivals throughout the country!



Visit **Trinity College Dublin**. Possibly the most well-known university in Ireland (certainly the most prestigious)



Visit the stunning **Wicklow Mountain National Park** (39km from Maynooth)



Visit **Maynooth Castle** and learn about the history of the Fitzgerald family



Visit **Dublin Zoo**



Shopping on Grafton Street, Dublin. High street designer, vintage



Play a round of golf at Carton House, home to two championship courses - The Irish Open and the World Amateur Team Championships



Take a Day trip to the **Giants Causeway** (3hrs by car from Dublin)

Work and Career Opportunities

Students can work for up to 20 hours per week during term time and up to 40 hours per week during approved college holiday periods.

Stay Back Visa's

Studying in Ireland is a great way to kick-start your career with major world leading corporations and with 1 or 2 year stay-back visa, graduates can find work within Ireland's booming tech and pharma sectors and beyond.

The visa process is similar to the UK except students need to show a minimum of 10k funding available for their year of study with access to this annual sum for each year of subsequent study at university.

The country is home to leading global, high-growth multinational companies such as Google, HP, Apple, IBM, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Pfizer and GSK.

Many Irish degree programmes include 6-8 months work placements in related industries, where students can learn on the job and make industry connections.

Home to five of Forbes Top 10 companies; Apple, Google, Alphabet, Amazon and Samsung.

75%

of honours degree graduates were working or due to start work 9 months after post graduation.

82%

of graduates are employed in < 9 months.



Places to eat

Ireland offers plenty of culinary variety and a fantastic and diverse food scene. Whether its traditional Irish stew and soda bread to with a wide variety of places to eat and drink on a student budget.

Places to eat in Maynooth

Avenue



Picaderos
Restaurant

McMahons
Bar &
Lounge



Gastro 101
Grill Leixlip



Bistro 53



Stone Haven
Restaurant

Oak Alley
Cocktail Bar

Dublin is a world-class city with an abundance of restaurants, shops, and cultural destinations.

Great choices for shopping

For clothing and household items, the best value shops include Pennys, Dunnes Stores and Dealz. Some cheaper options can be found in second-hand shops, charity shops and market stalls.

For Maynooth and nearby clothes shopping, see the following:

Dunnes Stores,
Manor Mills Shopping
Centre, Maynooth

FF Clothing, Tesco,
Dublin Road, Maynooth

Brand Max, Carton
Retail Park, Maynooth

Liffey Valley Shopping
Centre, Dublin 22

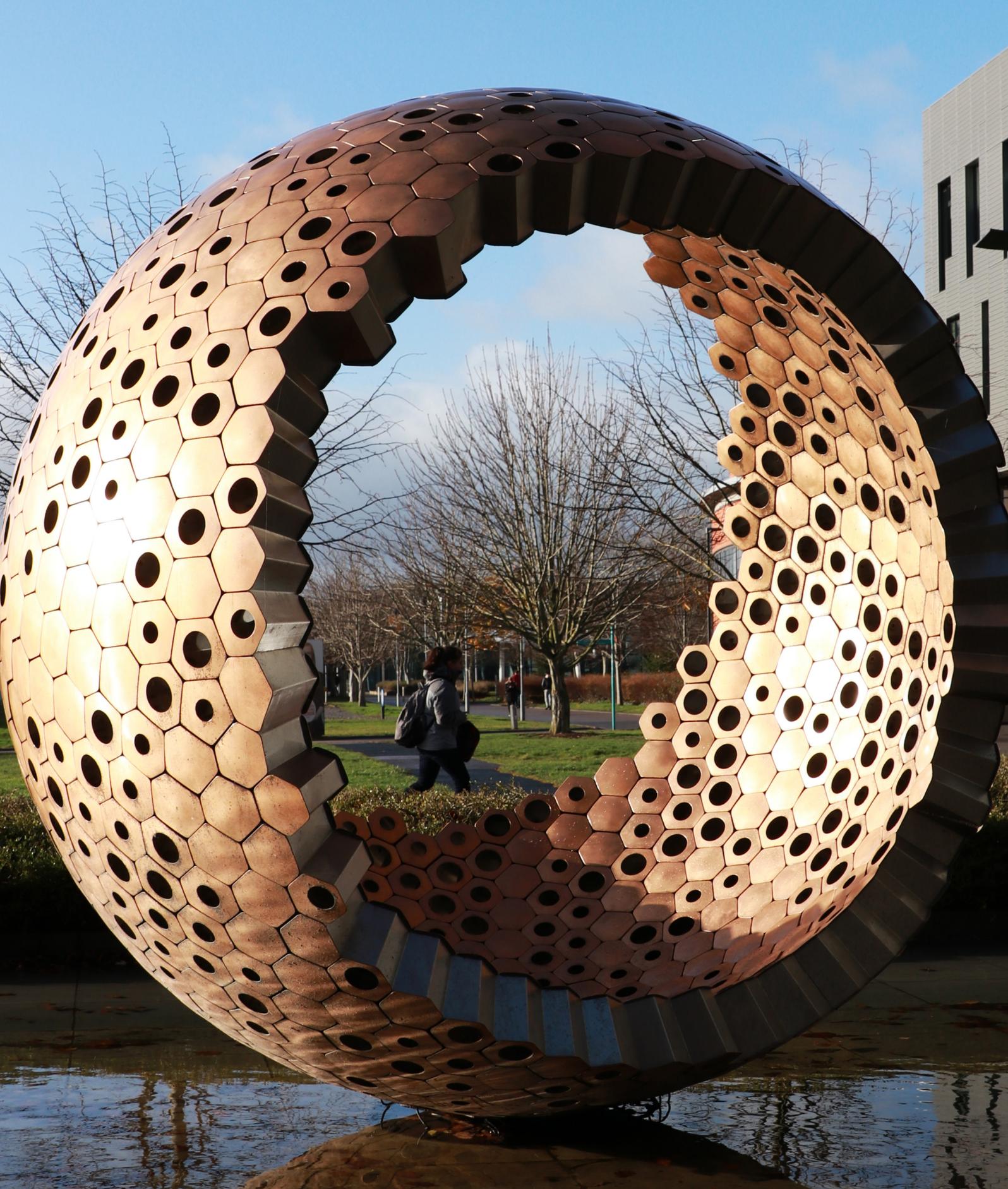
Pennys, Zara, Berska,
Tommy Hilfiger
and much more.

Blanchardstown Shopping
Centre, Dublin 15 – H&M,
Diesel, Hollister, JD Sports
and much more.

For groceries there is a wide choice of supermarkets to suit all budgets and tastes, including Tesco, Dunnes Stores, Aldi, Lidl and Supervalu.

There is speciality shops in the town such overseas grocery store and halal butchers.





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