

Finding Accommodation for Third Level

Senior Guidance 2023-24

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Source of Information for future reference is

www.qualifax.ie

Information on Accommodation for third-level students

See www.careernews.ie



What you need to know.

- For many students, going to college also involves a move away from home and finding suitable accommodation is an important part of the process.
- **The general advice to first years who need to find somewhere to live is to stay in purpose-built accommodation, either on-campus or very close by, or to go into "digs" and live with a family, either with meals included, or on a self-catering basis.**
- The pressure on housing in Dublin and some other places in the current academic year, and the consequent upward drift in rents, has seen a return in popularity of "digs".
- **The seven universities and some other colleges offer on-campus accommodation, which has the benefit of being modern and fully-serviced.**

Useful Websites for researching off campus accommodations

- **Useful Websites**

- <http://www.daft.ie/>
- <http://homes.usi.ie/>
- <http://www.myhome2let.ie/>
- <http://findahome.ie>
- <http://myhome.ie>
- <http://collegecribs.ie>
- <http://property.ie>
- <http://dublinrental.ie>
- <http://let.ie>
- <http://www.rent.ie/>
- <https://www.spotahome.com/>
- <http://www.ucdsu.ie>

Useful Links for Accommodation

- [Cost of Living Guide to Assist Students with Financial Planning - Careers and Education News \(careersnews.ie\)](#)
- [Find student accommodation in Dublin and across Ireland | CollegeCribbs.ie](#)
- [Accommodation for Third Level Education - Careers and Education News \(careersnews.ie\)](#)
- [Search Ireland's No. 1 Property Website | Daft.ie](#)



RED FLAGS

- When the landlord is unable to meet up to show you the property in person.
(Covid-19 restrictions no longer an acceptable excuse)
- When communication is only through Text / WhatsApp or other social media platform.
- When the property is offered with no questions asked and payment is demanded immediately before signing the lease.
- When you are asked to pay cash, cryptocurrency or money via a non-bank transfer.
(Such as wire transfer)





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Useful links for sourcing accommodation

- [Accommodation Advisory Service - University of Galway](#)
- [University of Galway - Studentpad \(uniofgalwaystudentpad.ie\)](#)
- [Student Residences at University of Galway — Accommodation Galway Ireland \(campusaccommodation.ie\)](#)
- [Search Results - University of Galway](#)



**Maynooth
University**

National University
of Ireland Maynooth

ACCOMMODATION LINKS

- [Accommodation | Maynooth University](#) **On Campus**
- [MaynoothStudentpad | Maynooth University](#) **Off Campus**
- [Student accommodation in Maynooth - houses homes flats housing \(maynoothstudentpad.ie\)](#) **Off Campus**



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Campus in Student Residences - theses include;

1. Block booking a room on the South Campus for 1-2 days each week www.maynoothcampus.com
This is operated by MCCA front.desk@mu.ie
2. Contact the [MaynoothStudentpad](#) at MU Student Services maynoothstudentpad@mu.ie who may be able to advise if local landlords/host families are offering rooms for specified dates booking
3. Consider Commuting where the commute is reasonable.
[Maynooth University Transport Guide.](#)



Trinity College Dublin

Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath

The University of Dublin

Create an account on the accommodation portal...

[Confirmation of Student Details \(tcd.ie\)](https://tcd.ie)

**Trinity College
Dublin
Trinity Hall -
Student
Accommodation**

[Student Accommodation at
Trinity College Dublin \(tcd.ie\)](https://tcd.ie)

TCD Accommodation

- **Trinity Hall, Dartry:** modern purpose-built blocks near Rathmines in Dublin 6 - short cycle or public transport journey from the campus.
- **Kavanagh Court in Dublin 1:** less than a 15-minute walk from Trinity
- **On Campus and Trinity Hall** mainly consists of single bedroom apartments with lounge/kitchen and in private accommodation of single ensuite bedroom and shared kitchen/living room. **Connections to the Trinity IT network** is provided in all accommodation on Campus.
- Contrary to popular belief, **you can stay in uni halls of residence beyond your first year**, and many students continue to live in halls for their second & third years.

Accommodation in Cork

University
College Cork

MTU CORK

<https://www.ucc.ie/en/accommodation/campusaccommodation/>

- Campus accommodation applications for 2024-25 open from mid-February to mid-March (as per website – exact dates to be decided)
- [Campus Accommodation | University College Cork \(ucc.ie\)](https://www.ucc.ie/en/accommodation/campusaccommodation/) On Campus
- [Private Apartment Complexes | University College Cork \(ucc.ie\)](https://www.ucc.ie/en/accommodation/offcampusaccommodation/) Off Campus
- [Private Rentals | University College Cork \(ucc.ie\)](https://www.ucc.ie/en/accommodation/privateaccommodation/)
- [MTU Cork Campus - Accommodation \(cit.ie\)](https://www.mtu.ie/cork/accommodation/)

Campus Accommodation	Room	Distance from college	Price
University Hall	Single	1km	Full Year Academic rate for all
Victoria Lodge	En Suite and non en suite	1.2 km	See College website for further details
Castle White	Single and Twin	400m	
Mardyke Hall	En suite and non en suite	500m	
Crow's Nest	En suite	1.1km	
Victoria Mills	Single en suite	900m	

University College Dublin

residences@ucd.ie

see the above for further
information

UCD's Campus Accommodations can be accessed on residences@ucd.ie

To find options off campus you must register on the following link (next point)

For assistance with sourcing off campus accommodation please visit www.ucdaccommodationpad.ie.

Other websites to support you in sourcing accommodation- be sure to visit anything of interest to you with your parents.

UCD – Useful Links

- [UCD Residences](#)
- If you have any queries on UCD residences, please contact UCD Residences [via email](mailto:residences@ucd.ie) at residences@ucd.ie or via [phone](tel:0035317167000) on 00353-1-7167000.

UCD Accommodation FAQs

1. How to register for accommodation at UCD?

Students are required to have accepted their course offer and paid the deposit in order to book on-campus accommodation (subject to availability). Students, with a conditional acceptance for their course, are eligible to book a room.

Application is made online via the Incoming Student Portal.

2. How many first years get accommodation in UCD?

Please note that there is a limited number of rooms available – places will be offered on a first come first served basis. Depending on your specific programme, there are 38- and 50-week housing packages available for Graduate students on both the Belfield and Blackrock campuses.

Accommodation:

1. Belgrove
2. Merville
3. Ashfield
4. Glenomena
5. Roebuck Castle
6. Roebuck Hall
7. Village Halls
8. Village 1
9. Village 2
10. Village 3

*Village studio can be booked as a single occupancy option or can be booked with another UCD student friend as a twin occupancy room.

Licence fee shown in schedule is per person sharing.

Booking and Security Deposit: Payable upon room booking
(*refundable at end of license period, pending room survey*).

License Fee: Payable as follows (*see location specifics above*): All licence fees are payable in monthly instalments which correspond to commencement of booking of campus accommodation.

Utilities: Payable as above depending on accommodation product.

Catering: Payable as per licence fee above depending on accommodation product.

Insurance: €35 payable with first instalment.

Late Payment Fee: €60 payable after 17:00 Irish Time on payment due date.

Room Changes: Room changes (subject to availability/eligibility) will incur an administrative charge

<https://www.ucd.ie/residences/t4media/AccommodationFees20222023.pdf>

5 page document of costs for your review

Areas in Dublin close to UCD where students live off campus

- **Areas close to Belfield include:**
- DUBLIN 4: Ballsbridge, Donnybrook, Sandymount
- DUBLIN 6: Ranelagh, Rathgar, Rathmines
- DUBLIN 14: Clonskeagh, Dundrum, Goatstown
- DUBLIN COUNTY: Blackrock, Booterstown, Mount Merrion, Stillorgan, Dun Laoghaire

Accommodation in Limerick

University of Limerick

- [Student Living - University of Limerick \(ul.ie\)](#)
- [Accommodation for First Year Students - University of Limerick \(ul.ie\)](#)
- **Lottery Applications for Campus Accommodation**
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- New Incoming First Years who are hoping to attend the University of Limerick in September can apply for the accommodation lottery by clicking [here](#)
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- The closing date for applications is 5pm by end of March 2024.
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- All lottery applicants will receive their outcome in April 2024.
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- Students who do not register for the lottery are strongly urged to seek off campus accommodation.
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- *Applications for new incoming first years are NOT on a first come first serve basis.*
- *Note - Dates yet to be confirmed*



Successful Accommodation Lottery Students at UL

- Those successful in the accommodation lottery will be sent communication of what will happen next:
- After the CAO results room offers will be issued
- Students will have **one day** to accept their offers
- Room offers not accepted by the specified date will be withdrawn
- The deposit will be due within 1 day of accepting a room offer and is non-refundable in the event of cancellation
- Accepted room offers with unpaid deposits will be cancelled
- Before you can accept your offer you will be required to sign up to our online payments system. this system will deduct your rental fees from a chosen credit/debit card on a pre-determined date. the rental fees can be paid in on rental instalment, in three instalments, or in nine monthly instalments. for this you will need valid credit card details.



Unsuccessful Accommodation Lottery Students at UL

- Those who are unsuccessful in the lottery, will be placed on our waitlist and notified of same
- Should we receive cancellations after CAO results we will offer places to applicants on our waiting list, based on a lottery.
- We will continue to offer rooms as we receive cancellations throughout the academic year
- The waitlist will be in effect until the end of the academic year
- We will only be in contact with students if we have a room to offer
- Please note this is not a guarantee that something will become available



Off Campus Accommodation Service at UL

Accommodation Service at UL

The Accommodation Service at University of Limerick is managed by Campus Life Services. The office is located at the Student Centre at the University of Limerick. The office provides assistance to students who require help and advice when looking for accommodation off-campus.

Property owners with Studentpad queries can contact the Accommodation Office on 061 20 2331 or accommodation@ul.ie

Useful to Know

- **Griffith College, Dublin**, which is conveniently located close to the city centre off Dublin's South Circular Road makes its on-campus accommodation available to students from other third-level colleges.
- Similarly, on the north side of the city, [Marino Institute of Education](#), Griffith Avenue, also opens its accommodation to students from other colleges. The college is particularly close to DCU, St Patrick's teacher training college and is on a bus route to the city centre.
- In Sligo, [St Angela's college](#) has its own student residences, also available for booking by students in ATU Sligo.

College Accommodation

- Find out more information on student finance and budgeting at www.studentfinance.ie
- To get detailed information on rental costs in your search area, the RTB publishes a national rent index. More details can be found at: <https://www.rtb.ie/>
- On average, 40% of students receive Higher Education grants, and SUSI pays their Student Contribution Charge.
- Other sources of accommodation information
 - www.daft.ie
 - www.collegecribs.ie
 - www.rent.ie
 - www.myhome.ie

Colleges may have a list of their landlords/landladies who rent houses or apartments and who may offer digs for first year students