Ireland Ready Reckoner

EDITION: OCT 2026

January & September 2027 intakes | Quick reference for Partners, India

21 Irish institutions, 974 Master's + 1,289 Bachelor's programmes.

21	2,263	Jan + Sep 2027	12 months	EUR 30-75
Institutions(8univ.+ 5 TUs + 8 colleges)	Programmes(974PG+ 1,289 UG)	Intakes (Jan: minor intake)	PG duration	Application fee (Waived at most)

1 Irish Institutions Represented

TU = Technological University. Sorted by Ireland national rank.

Institution	Type	Location	Intake	PG	UG	Rank
Trinity College Dublin	Univ.	Dublin	Sep	**115**	**106**	QS 75 / Ire #1
University College Dublin	Univ.	Dublin	Sep (Jan: minor)	**197**	**115**	QS 100 / Ire #2
University College Cork	Univ.	Cork	Sep	**113**	**99**	QS 220 / Ire #3
University of Limerick	Univ.	Limerick	Sep (Jan: minor)	**87**	**69**	QS 388 / Ire #4
Dublin City University	Univ.	Dublin	Sep (Jan: minor)	**49**	**68**	QS 408 / Ire #5
University of Galway	Univ.	Galway	Sep (Jan: minor)	**98**	**58**	QS 275 / Ire #6
RCSI (Medicine & Health Sci.)	Univ.	Dublin, Online	Sep	**10**	**3**	Ire #7
Technological University Dublin	TU	Dublin	Sep (Jan: minor)	**56**	**111**	Ire #8
Maynooth University	Univ.	Maynooth	Sep (Jan: minor)	**53**	**48**	Ire #9
TUS: Midlands Midwest	TU	Athlone, Limerick	Sep	**29**	**104**	Ire #10
Munster Technological University	TU	Cork, Kerry Galway-	Sep	**16**	**99**	Ire #11
Atlantic Technological University	TU	Mayo, Sligo,	Sep (Jan: minor)	**33**	**198**	Ire #13
National College of Ireland	College	Letterkenny	Jan / Sep	**16**	**8**	Ire #15
Dublin Business School	College	Dublin	Jan/Apr/Sep	**31**	**25**	Ire #19
Griffith College	College	Dublin	Feb / Sep	**34**	**29**	Ire #21
American College Dublin	College	Dublin, Cork, Limerick	Jan / Sep	**1**	**2**	Ire #31
Independent College Dublin	College	Dublin	Feb / Sep	**1**	**4**	Ire #58
South Eastern Technological University	TU	Dublin	Sep	**31**	**135**	Ire #69
		Carlow, Waterford	Jan / Sep	**1**	**4**	–
Galway Business School	College	Galway	Sep	**3**	**2**	–
Shannon College of Hotel Mgmt.	College	Shannon		**–**		–

TOP 5 COUNSELLING HOOKS

1. **Jan 2027 seats are still open** at colleges like DBS, Griffith, NCI, TU Dublin and select courses at UCD, Galway and UL.
2. Most PG courses are **1 year** — lower total cost and faster return on investment than 2-year destinations.
3. Application fee is **waived at most colleges and TUs** (EUR 30-75 at the rest). Initial deposits start at EUR 500.
4. **Duolingo (DET)** is accepted by most institutions as an IELTS alternative.
5. Scholarships are available in most institutions and can go as high as 50% of the tuition fees.

2 Available Courses

Stream	Master's	Bachelor's	In-demand programmes	Best-fit institutions
Social Sciences, Law & Education	282	240	Psychology, Law, Education, Public Policy, Humanities	UCD, Trinity, UCC, Maynooth, Galway
IT, Data Science & AI	195	151	Data Analytics, AI, Cyber Security, Software, Cloud, FinTech	UCD, Trinity, UL, DCU, NCI, TUD, SETU
Business, Management & Marketing	169	224	Business Analytics, Intl Business, Marketing, Supply Chain, HRM	UCD, Trinity, UCC, DBS, ATU, SETU, TUS
Health & Life Sciences	123	224	Biotech, Pharma, Nursing, Public Health, Biomedical	UCD, UCC, Galway, Trinity, RCSI, TUS
Engineering & Technology	93	228	Civil, Mechanical, Electronic, Energy, Construction, Chemical	ATU, MTU, TUS, SETU, UCC, UCD
Design, Arts & Media	70	172	Design, Media, Architecture, Journalism, Music	ATU, TUS, MTU, UL, UCC
Finance & Accounting	42	50	Finance, Accounting, Economics, Actuarial	UCD, UL, UCC, Trinity

Check intake and deadlines before shortlisting a specific course.

3 Average Tuition Fees per year, Non-EU/EEA students

AVERAGE MASTER'S (PG) TUITION

EUR 18,000

approx.INR19.5lakh/yr | Range EUR 10,500 - 59,000

AVERAGE BACHELOR'S (UG) TUITION

EUR 13,500

approx.INR14.6lakh/yr | Range EUR 9,000 - 60,000

Institution (fees in EUR / year)	Average PG tuition	PG Scholarships*	Average UG Tuition	UG Scholarships*
Trinity College Dublin	23,500	2,000	16,500	2,000
University College Dublin (UCD)	23,000	Upto 50%	20,000	Upto 50%
University College Cork (UCC)	22,500	5,000	18,500	2,000
University of Limerick (UL)	19,500	2,000	15,000	2,000
Dublin City University (DCU)	20,000	3,000	16,000	1,000
University of Galway	23,500	5,000	22,500	5,000
RCSI	25,000	–	18,500	–
TU Dublin (TUD)	17,500	–	14,500	–
Maynooth University	18,000	–	16,500	–
TUS: Midlands Midwest	14,500	1,000	12,500	1,000
Munster TU (MTU)	12,000	2,000	13,500	2,500
Atlantic TU (ATU)	11,000	2,000	12,000	2,000
National College of Ireland (NCI)	14,000	3,000	12,000	3,000
Dublin Business School (DBS)	13,500	1,000	10,000	1,000
Griffith College	14,000	1,000	12,000	1,000
American College Dublin	10,200	–	9,540	–
Independent College Dublin	11,500	–	9,300	–
South East TU (SETU)	12,500	1,000	10,000	1,000
Galway Business School	9,000	–	9,000	–
Shannon College of Hotel Mgmt	19,300	5,000	15,300	5,000
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* All scholarships are merit-based scholarships andarehighlycompetitive. These scholarshipsarenotguaranteed and are at the discretion of the University.Earlyapplicantshave a higher chance of getting scholarships.

4 Universities with Low Tuition

POSTGRADUATE	UNDERGRADUATE
Based on Average TF: Galway Business School, TU Dublin, UCC American College Dublin, DBS, University of Limerick Independent College, NCI, MTU, ATU, TUS, SETU	**ATU**(Galway-Mayo, Sligo, Letterkenny), Independent College, Galway Business School, American College Dublin, DBS, TUS, Griffith College, NCI, University of Limerick

5 *Scholarships Offered by the Listed Institutions

Institution	Tuition Reduction	Level	Notes
University of Galway	Up to EUR 13,000 (PG)	Master's & Bachelor's	Highest average award on the list; UG up to EUR 10,000.
Shannon College of Hotel Mgmt	EUR 9,000 (PG), 5,000 (UG)	Master's & Bachelor's	Large award relative to Shannon's own fee levels.
University College Cork (UCC)	Up to EUR 5,000 (PG)	Master's & Bachelor's	UG scholarship EUR 2,000.
Dublin City University (DCU)	Up to EUR 5,000 (PG)	Master's & Bachelor's	UG scholarship EUR 1,000.
University College Dublin (UCD)	Upto 50%	Master's & Bachelor's	Highest UG scholarship on the list.
Trinity College Dublin	EUR 2,000 (PG), 2,000-4,000 (UG)	Master's & Bachelor's	
University of Limerick (UL)	EUR 2,000 (PG), 2,000-2,500 (UG)	Master's & Bachelor's	
National College of Ireland (NCI)	EUR 3,000	Master's & Bachelor's	
Munster TU (MTU)	EUR 2,500-3,000	Master's & Bachelor's	
Atlantic TU (ATU)	EUR 2,000	Master's & Bachelor's	
TUS / SETU / DBS / Griffith	EUR 1,000	Master's & Bachelor's	Standard scholarship tier across these four.

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6 Entry Requirements

MASTER'S (PG)

Institution	Min. %	Backlogs	Key requirements
Trinity College Dublin	65%	0-5	Honours degree in relevant discipline; GMAT may be requested for business; work/start-up experience for select courses.
University College Dublin (UCD)	60%	0-5	2.2 (about 65%) typical; ideally cognate. Competitive programmes ask more.
University College Cork (UCC)	60%	0-5	Tiered by home university: 70%/75%+ if the Indian university is in the lower-listed groups. English test needed before processing.
University of Limerick (UL)	60%	0-2	Honours degree; interview normally part of the process; 3-year degrees not accepted unless
Dublin City University (DCU)	60%	0-4	honours/strong research component.
University of Galway	60%	0-5	Previous institution must be on the NOOSR list; academic reference for some courses.
RCSI	65%	0	Level 8 degree in relevant field. Duolingo not accepted. Online programmes: applicant must work in healthcare; no application fee.
TU Dublin (TUD)	60%	0-5	Level 8 honours degree in cognate field; 3-year degree not accepted.
Maynooth University	55%	0-8	3-year honours degree accepted with up to 6 backlogs.
TUS: Midlands Midwest	60%	0-5	4-year honours degree; 3-year not accepted; online interview possible.
Munster TU (MTU)	60%	0-5	4-year honours degree, or 3-year + 3 years relevant work experience; distance-learning degrees not accepted.
Atlantic TU (ATU)	60%	0-2	Honours (Level 8) degree; 3-year degree not accepted (BCA exception). Issues unconditional offers only.
South East TU (SETU)	60%	0-10	3-year degree not accepted; BBA/BMS/BCA considered, B.Com/BA/B.Sc not. 5-year industry-experience route.
Dublin Business School (DBS)	55%	0-5	Level 8 honours; 3-year degree accepted with up to 3 backlogs; non-cognate with 1-2 yrs work experience
Griffith College	60%	0-8	considered.
National College of Ireland (NCI)	60%	0-15	Age limit 40; Punjab & Haryana state boards not accepted; digital application only.
American College Dublin	60%	0-10	Honours degree; interview if needed; final-year students can be admitted conditionally. Business degree; non-business applicants offered a 2-year route. Pre-assessment, then EUR 35 fee.

Institution	Min. %	Backlogs	Key requirements
Independent College Dublin	60%	0-15	Honours degree in relevant discipline; online interview required.
Galway Business School	55%	0-10	Language and academic-skills preparation programme for postgraduate entry.
Shannon College of Hotel Mgmt	60%	0-5	Related honours degree; entrance interview (in person or video).

BACHELOR'S (UG)

Institution	Class 12 %	Key requirements
Trinity College Dublin	80% (5 subjects)	Language other than English: 75%+. DET 120 (no section below 100).
University College Dublin	75% + Maths 65%	If Maths below 95%, a "Level 0" UCD Maths module is required in semester 1.
University College Cork	65% (5-subject avg.)	Lab-science subjects needed for science programmes. DET 120 (110 each).
University of Galway	70%	English, Maths and lab science required for science courses; Duolingo not accepted.
University of Limerick	60-70%	Grade 10 and 12 results considered; special Maths exam offered post-Leaving Cert.
Dublin City University	60% (Maths 60%)	Maths not required for some programmes. DET 120 (110 each).
Maynooth University	75% (English 70%)	Programme-specific subject rules apply.
RCSI	75%	Maths 75% + two lab sciences 70% (Pharmacy/Medicine pathways). DET not accepted.
TU Dublin	75%	Age 18 by 31 Dec of intake year; portfolio for design courses.
MTU / ATU / SETU / TUS	60%	MTU 75%+lab science; ATU 50-70%; SETU 60% (English 55%); TUS 55-80%. Common-entry engineering/built-environment routes.
DBS / NCI / American College Dublin	60%	DBS 65%; NCI 55% (Maths+English); American College Dublin 60% (Maths mandatory).
Griffith College	60%	Recent pass-out (within 1 year); interview possible; Punjab & Haryana boards not accepted.
Independent College / Galway Business School	60% (Level 7 top-up)	Mostly Level 7 to Level 8 progression routes; GBS offers a pathway programme.
Unihaven College	Gr 11: 65% / Gr 12: 40%	Pathway into Irish university degrees; IELTS 5.0/PTE 43; max 3-year gap after school.
Shannon College of Hotel Mgmt	60%	Six subjects incl. English, another language, Maths; entrance interview.

Indicative guide as of 1 Oct 2026. Entry requirementsvarycoursetocourse,confirm with the KC team before counselling.

7 English Proficiency

Medium-of-Instruction is not accepted at any Irish institution — a valid test score is needed everywhere. A university's own waiver does not automatically mean a visa waiver: **check both** before counselling. TOEFL & PTE equivalent to IELTS scores are also accepted.

Institution	IELTS - PG	IELTS - UG	Duolingo - PG	Duolingo - UG
Trinity College Dublin	6.5-7	5-7	120-130	80-130
University College Dublin	6.5-7.5	6.5	110-140	120
University College Cork	6.5-7	6.5-7	120-130	120-130
University of Limerick	6.5-8	5-6.5	120-140	120
Dublin City University	6.5	5-6.5	120	75-120
University of Galway	6.5-7	6.5-7.5	– (not accepted)	– (not accepted)
RCSI	6.5	6.5	– (not accepted)	– (not accepted)
Maynooth University	6.5	6.5	120	120
TU Dublin (TUD)	6-7.5	5-7	120-140	90-135
TUS: Midlands Midwest	6.5-7	5-6	120-130	80-105
Munster TU (MTU)	6-6.5	6	100-120	110
Atlantic TU (ATU)	6	5.5-6	105	95-105
South East TU (SETU)	6	5.5	100	90
Dublin Business School (DBS)	6-6.5	6	105	105
Griffith College	6.5-7	6-6.5	120-130	105-120
National College of Ireland (NCI)	6-6.5	6-6.5	105-120	105-120
American College Dublin	6.5	6	120	105
Independent College Dublin	6.5	6	120	105
Galway Business School	6	5.5-6.5	–	105-120
Shannon College of Hotel Mgmt	6.5	6	–	–

Duolingo not accepted at Galway or RCSI. TOEFL HomeEditionaccepted is alsoacceptedby some universities.

8 Application Period, Quick Decisions and Decision Period

JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2027 INTAKE

Institution	Application deadline	Decision
American College Dublin	1 Oct 2026 (Jan)	After pre-assessment
ATU Galway-Mayo / Letterkenny (PG)	1 Oct 2026 (Jan)	Unconditional offer only
Galway Business School	16 Oct 2026 (Jan)	Rolling
Dublin City University (PG)	4 Dec 2026 (Jan)	After academic review
Independent College Dublin	15 Dec 2026 (Feb)	After online interview
DBS, Griffith (Feb), NCI, TU Dublin (PG), UL, Galway, UCD (select)	As per seat availability	Rolling — decision when file is complete

SEPTEMBER 2027 INTAKE

Institution	Application deadline	Decision
Trinity College Dublin	PG: 12 Feb - 28 Jun 2027 (course-wise) | UG: 1 Feb - 1 May	Rounds-based; by course
University College Dublin	PG: 20 Mar - 20 Apr 2027 | UG: rolling	Rolling / rounds
University College Cork	PG: 9 Feb - 30 Jun 2027 | UG: 21 Mar - 31 May	Rolling / rounds
University of Limerick	PG: 3 Apr - 1 Jul 2027 | UG: 1-15 Jul	Interview for some PG
University of Galway	PG: 1 Jun - 4 Jul 2027 | UG: As per availability	Rolling
Dublin City University	PG: 2 Mar - 1 Jul 2027 | UG: 13 May - 31 Jul	After academic review
Maynooth University	PG: 31 Jan - 30 Jun 2027 (course-wise) | UG: 30 Jun	Course-wise
TU Dublin, NCI, DBS, Griffith	As per seat availability	Rolling
MTU / ATU / SETU / TUS	MTU 22-31 May | ATU 1 May | SETU and TUS 1 Jun 2027	Course-wise
RCSI | American College | Independent | Galway Bus. School	RCSI 30 May/30 Jun | ACD 1 Jun | Independent 6 Jun | GBS 19 Jun	Course-wise

QUICK DECISION TAT

Rolling admissions decide as soon as the file is complete — the fastest route for Jan 2027: **DBS** (deposit EUR 500), **Griffith** (deposit EUR 1,000), **NCI** (deposit EUR 7,500), **TU Dublin** PG (deposit approx. EUR 10,100-10,900). Select Jan courses are also open at UCC, UCD, Galway and UL. **ATU** (Galway-Mayo, Letterkenny) PG closes **1 Oct 2026** and issues unconditional offers only, so a valid English test must already be in hand.

9 Student Visa

INR 18,608	EUR 12,000	8-10 weeks
Total Visa Cost(Visa+VFS+Courier+ SMS + Check & Verify)	Recommendedlivingexpenses/yr— shown for the whole course duration	Embassy decision time

Item	Counselling Points
Tuition fees	**Mandatory.** Fees of EUR 6,000 or less: pay in full before applying. Fees above EUR 6,000: pay at least EUR 6,000. KC recommends at least 50% paid before filing.
Financials accepted	Savings/current accounts, fixed deposits, education loans, education bonds, provident funds. **Not accepted:** crypto, stocks, shares, mutual funds, gold valuations, chit funds.
Bank statements	6 months' personal statements + 6 months for each declared sponsor (max 3 sponsors; ideally salary accounts). Verifiable ITR acknowledgements for all parties (min. 8-10 lakh); sponsor funds should be seasoned (6 months old).
Loan ratio	Education loan should not exceed personal savings. Ideal split: **50% loan, 50% personal savings** of total expenses.
Extra documents	1-year health insurance, Police Clearance Certificate, immigration documents, and DigiLocker versions of all qualifications alongside original certificates/marksheets.
Visa links	AVATS online form: visas.inis.gov.ie/AVATS/OnlineHome.aspx VFS Appointment: visa.vfsglobal.com/ind/en/irl/book-an-appointment

VISA PROCESS FLOW

1	2	3	4	5
Payment received 1st-year / min. tuition paid	**Arrange documents** Finances, insurance, PCC	**AVATS & VFS** Online form + biometrics appt.	**Embassy decision** 4-8 weeks (plan 8-12)	**Travel ready** Lodge 10-12 wks before travel

THE 4 REFUSAL GROUNDS

CP — Course Profile Need for this course in Ireland, and benefit on return to India, not demonstrated.	**F — Finances** Funds insufficient, or source not explained (large/irregular lodgements).
ID — Insufficient Documentation Missing, incomplete or sub-standard documents.	**OC — Observance of Conditions** Concerns about complying with study-visa conditions.

CHECK BEFORE FILING

- **Course:** clear progression from past studies; the student can explain modules and career outcome. Unexplained gaps, an unrelated course or a downgrade is a red flag.
- **Finances :** explain every large credit (source, owner, why, proof). Avoid sudden deposits, unexplained transfers, or sponsor income that does not support the funds shown.
- **Consistency:** same facts across SOP, CV, finances and forms; address any earlier refusal directly. A university English waiver is not a visa waiver.