



NUI Galway
OÉ Gaillimh



College of
Science

First Year Orientation Week

Tuesday
29th August
to
Friday
1st September

All information and queries answered at
www.nuigalway.ie/startinguniversity
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Seirbhísí trí Ghaeilge

Welcome to NUI Galway

Courses (CAO Code):

GY301, GY303, GY304, GY308,
GY309, GY310, GY313, GY314,
GY318, GY319, GY320

Your university start date is Tuesday, 29th August 2017.

We are looking forward to meeting you on Tuesday 29th August as you start your University experience. Your first week is crucial for you to learn about University life and attendance is compulsory. Throughout the week you will gain important information on academic subjects and choices, timetables, and locations. This is a great opportunity to meet with other first-year students, try out some of the Clubs and Societies and learn about the many other support services available to you. You will also have time to familiarise yourself with our beautiful 105-hectare campus, with over 90 buildings, which is just a short walk from the city centre.

Your start to a successful University journey begins here. Read on and see what we have planned for you. Updates will be available at www.nuigalway.ie/startinguniversity

Information for Parents

We invite all parents and guardians to attend the following talks on Monday, 28th August - Each talk is repeated for your convenience.

| Title of Talks | Times | Location |
|---|---------------------|---|
| The Emotional Journey of Students and Parents | 4pm, 5.30pm or 7pm | The Space, 1st Floor, Áras na Mac Léinn |
| Money - What to expect and how to make it stretch | 4pm, 5.30pm or 7pm | The Cube, 1st Floor, Áras na Mac Léinn |
| Learning, Wellbeing and University Supports | 4pm, 5.30pm, or 7pm | The View, 1st Floor, Áras na Mac Léinn |

Tuesday, 29th August 2017

| Time | Presentation / Activity | Venue |
|-------------------|---|--|
| 9.30am – 10.30am | Welcome and Introduction to 1st Year, Dean of Science (Surnames A - K) | O'Flaherty Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| | Introduction to Academic Supports (Surnames L - Z) | Kirwan Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| 10.30am – 11.30am | Introduction to Academic Supports (Surnames A - K) | O'Flaherty Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| | Welcome and Introduction to 1st Year, Dean of Science (Surnames L - Z) | Kirwan Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| 11.30am – 12.30pm | Introduction to 1st Year Mathematics/Mathematical Studies: Which module should I choose? Includes Library Information (Surnames A- K) | O'Flaherty Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| | Introduction to 1st Year Mathematics/Mathematical Studies: Which module should I choose? Includes Library Information(Surnames L - Z) | Kirwan Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| 1.30pm – 1.50pm | Greeting from the President of NUI Galway | Bailey Allen Hall |
| 1.50pm – 2.10pm | Introduction to Student Supports by Dr. Pat Morgan, Vice President for the Student Experience | Bailey Allen Hall |
| 2.10pm – 2.30pm | The Students' Union – The Journey Starts Here | Bailey Allen Hall |
| 2:30pm – 4.30pm | Meet your Mentors, Followed By Campus Tour & Challenges | Úr Restaurant, An Bialann |
| 4.30pm - 5.30pm | Science Outreach: Public Engagement in Science - Muriel Grenon PhD | Kirwan Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) |
| 5.30pm - 5.45pm | First Year Group Photo Shoot | The Quadrangle |
| 10am - 4pm | PC Drop in Centre - Access your Email Account, BlackBoard and Free WiFi | AM201, 1st Floor, Arts Millennium |
| 6.45pm-7.30pm | Learning to Live Together | Bailey Allen Hall |

Freshers' Fáilte Fun Fest – Welcome Tuesday programme see page 8-9

Disability Support Service Induction

Meet the Disability Support Service team and get your supports in place!

To maximise success in your studies, students with a disability, long term physical or mental health condition, or learning difficulty are encouraged to come along to meet the team, discuss available support, and register with the Disability Support Service.

Drop in to one of the following sessions:

Monday 28th August - 10am – 12pm
AUC G002 Theatre, Áras Uí Chathail

Monday 28th August - 2pm – 4pm
AUC G002 Theatre, Áras Uí Chathail

Wednesday 30th August - 10am – 12pm
The Cube, Áras na Mac Léinn

For further information, or to notify us of accessibility requirements to enable attendance at a session, please contact the Disability Support Service team:

E: disabilityservice@nuigalway.ie | **T:** 091 492813 | **W:** nuigalway.ie/disability/



Wednesday, 30th August 2017

| Location | Advisory Session Foyer, Orbsen Building | Advisory Sessions NCBES Seminar Room, Orbsen Building | O'Flaherty Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) | Anderson Theatre, Arts /Science Building |
|----------------|---|--|--|---|
| 9.30am – 10am | Introduction to Science (Surnames A-K) | Biomedical Science (Meeting with Programme Director) | A degree in Anatomy: Years 2 - 4? | A degree in Applied Mathematics: Years 2 - 4? |
| 10am – 10.30am | | Marine Science (Meeting with Programme Director) | Introduction to 1st Year Chemistry | A degree in Botany & Plant Science: Years 2 - 4? |
| 10.30am – 11am | | Physics (Applied, Astrophysics, Biomedical, Theoretical) (Meeting with Programme Director) | | A degree in Computer Science: Years 2 - 4? |
| 11am – 11.30am | | | | Introduction to 1st Year Applied Mathematics |
| 11.30am – 12pm | Introduction to Science (Surnames L-Z) | Environmental Science (Meeting with Programme Director) | | |
| 12pm – 12.30pm | | Earth & Ocean Sciences (Meeting with Programme Director) | Introduction to 1st Year Biology | |
| 12.30pm – 1pm | | Mathematical Science (Meeting with Programme Director) | | |
| 12pm – 1pm | | | | Blackstone – An Introduction to Entrepreneurship at NUI Galway |
| 1pm – 1.30pm | | Environmental Health & Safety (Meeting with Programme Director) | A degree in Biochemistry: Years 2 - 4? | A degree in Earth and Ocean Sciences: Year 2 - 4? |
| 1.30pm – 2pm | | Financial Mathematics & Economics (Meeting with Programme Director) | A degree in Microbiology: Years 2 - 4? | A degree in Chemistry: Year 2 - 4? |
| 2pm – 2.30pm | | Biopharmaceutical Chemistry (Meeting with Programme Director) | Introduction to 1st Year Physics | A degree in Mathematics: Years 2 - 4? |
| 2.30pm – 3pm | | Biotechnology (Meeting with Programme Director) | | A degree in Medicinal Chemistry: Years 2 - 4? |
| 3pm – 3.30pm | | | A degree in Pharmacology: Years 2 - 4? | A degree in Physics & Applied Physics: Years 2 - 4? |
| 3.30pm – 4pm | | | Introduction to Student Life - Student Services | |
| 4pm – 4.30pm | | | | |

| Time | Presentation | Venue |
|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 9.30am-5pm | Student ID Card Collection | AM201, 1st Floor, Arts Millennium |
| 10am - 4pm | PC Drop in Centre - Access your Email Account, BlackBoard and Free WiFi | AM201, 1st Floor, Arts Millennium |
| 10.30am - 2pm | Science Tour of the Library every 30 minutes starting | James Hardiman Library |

Freshers' Fáilte Fun Fest – Fun Fest Wednesday programme - see page 8-9



Thursday, 31st August 2017

| Location | O'Flaherty Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) | Anderson Theatre, Arts /Science Building | Bailey Allen Hall |
|-----------------|---|--|--|
| 9.30am – 10am | A degree in Physiology: Years 2 - 4?? | A degree in Plant and AgriBiosciences: Years 2 - 4? | International Students - Support Services; Immigration, Banking etc. |
| 10am – 10.30am | Introduction to 1st Year Physics | A degree in Zoology: Years 2 - 4? | |
| 10am - 11am | | A degree in Anatomy: Years 2 - 4? | |
| 11am - 11.30am | A degree in Medicinal Chemistry: Years 2 - 4 | Intro to Student Life - Student Services | |
| 11am - 12pm | A degree in Biochemistry: Years 2 - 4? | | |
| 12pm - 12.30pm | Introduction to 1st Year Chemistry | A degree in Earth and Ocean Sciences? | |
| 12.30pm - 1pm | | A degree in Pharmacology: Years 2 - 4? | |
| 1pm – 1.30pm | Student Health & Wellbeing - Student Services | A degree in Physics & Applied Physics: Years 2 - 4? | |
| 1.30pm – 2pm | | A degree in Chemistry: Years 2 - 4? | |
| 2pm – 2.30pm | Introduction to 1st Year Biology | A degree in Applied Mathematics: Years 2- 4? | Erasmus Students - Information Session |
| 2.30pm – 3pm | | A degree in Mathematics: Years 2 - 4?? | |
| 3pm – 3.30pm | A degree in Microbiology: Years 2 - 4? | Introduction to 1st Year Computer Science | Postgrad Taught - Student Session |
| 3.30pm – 4.30pm | Student Health & Wellbeing - Student Services | | |
| 4pm – 5pm | | Your Career Starts Here – Ten tips for career success as you begin your science degree | |

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Fáilte Fun Fest – Fáilte Thursday - see page 8-9



Friday, 1st September 2017

| Location | O'Flaherty Theatre, (Arts /Science Building) | Anderson Theatre, Arts /Science Building |
|----------------|--|---|
| 9.30am – 10am | A degree in Computer Science: Years 2 - 4? | A degree in Botany & Plant Science: Years 2 - 4? |
| 10am – 10.30am | Introduction to 1st Year Applied Mathematics | A degree in Plant and AgriBiosciences: Years 2 - 4? |
| 10am - 11am | | A degree in Zoology: Years 2 - 4? |
| 11am - 11.30am | A degree in Physiology: Years 2 - 4? | Introduction to 1st Year Computer Science |
| 12pm - 1pm | "Your Union, Your Voice" – NUIG Students Union | |

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| 10am - 4pm | PC Drop in Centre - Access your Email Account, BlackBoard and Free WiFi | AM201, 1st Floor, Arts Millennium |
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Fáilte Fun Fest – Friendly Friday programme - see pages 8-9

**Friendly
Friday**

Sept 1st
See page 8-9



IT Services for Students

All you need to know about IT Services in NUI Galway including your Email account, Blackboard, Printing, Storage and Free WiFi

<http://www.nuigalway.ie/iss4students/>

Visiting Students

Academic Advisory Session

<http://www.nuigalway.ie/international-students/afteryouarrive.html#tab1>

8.30am-4pm



5.30pm Tuesday

First Year Group Photo Shoot, The Quadrangle



Freshers' Fáihte Fun fest

Mon: 28th Aug -
Fri: 1st Sept

Meet
your
Mentor

Move in Monday

Postgrad Orientation
Info Desk Áras na
Mac Léinn
1pm-4pm

7pm **DJ at Sult**
(over 18's ID required)

SUCCESS QUIZ

Complete the quiz and get your
College Lifestyle Scores.

You will be able to enjoy an interactive analysis of
how prepared you feel you are to enter college life.
We want to help you get the most out of college,
see where you are doing well and where you can
make improvements & be in with the chance to
win some **Amazing Prizes!**

www.nuigalway.ie/successquiz

IMPORTANT DATES

- * Clubs & Societies Day Sept 6th
- * Volunteer Fair Sept 12th
- * SU Freshers Fair Sept 13th

Your First 8 Weeks

- 1: Start Right
- 2: Freshers Week
- 3: Live Right Week
- 4: Supports Week
- 5: Move Right-Feel Great Week
- 6: Mental Health Week
- 7: Skills Week
- 8: Global Week

www.nuigstudents.ie
For details on all themed weeks

Welcome Tuesday Aug 29th

Get involved! Get to know
us and each other!

- ★ **My First Day at NUIG**
Áras na Mac Léinn, 12pm – 3pm
Capture the memory
at the SU Photo Booth
Foyer of Áras na Mac Léinn



- ★ **Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball**
with the Sports clubs 2pm-4pm,
The Kingfisher

- ★ **Big Class Photo for Everyone**
The Quadrangle, 5:30pm

- ★ **Societies Drop-in Games Rooms**
Upstairs, Áras na Mac Léinn
6pm - 10pm



- ★ **Movies with the Societies**
O'Flaherty & Anderson Theatres,
Concourse. Comic Book Soc 6.30pm,
African Caribbean
Soc 7.30pm, Film Soc 8.30pm.

- ★ **Chaplaincy BBQ, Meet and Eat**
An Gairdín Sosa, The Chapel, 7pm



Societies Variety Show
The Cube, 7.30pm

Join Dramsoc & Musical Society,
check out the talent and maybe
win a prize for your performance,
free pizza!



- ★ **The Big Fáihte Table Quiz**
An Bialann (Úr), 8pm - 9.30pm
Make new friends, see how smart
you are, with lots of prizes & free food.

- ★ **Bingo Loco**
at Sult, 8pm (over 18's ID required)



Pick up your college/discipline,
colour coded wristband from
your Mentor on Tuesday or
from the info Desk in Aras na Mac
Leinn from Wednesday and
get chatting with each other!



Fun Fest Wednesday Aug 30th

Kick back, join the party
and have fun!

Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball
2pm-4pm, Kingfisher Sports Hall

Drop in - have a go
Kingfisher Sports Hall, 4pm - 6pm Including indoor
five-aside Soccer/Basketball/Frisbee to name but a few.

Societies Fun Fest
Áras na Mac Léinn 5pm - 8pm Free food, prizes, games,
stalls, music, makeovers, competition & much more.

Fáilte Thursday Aug 31st

A special welcome
to all our visiting
students, everyone
welcome to join
the craic!

ALIVE Campus Tours
From Áras na Mac Léinn at 2pm and 3pm

Global Fun Fair 1pm - 5pm Áras na Mac Léinn Foyers,
Fun with the societies, giant inflatables, games, stalls,
free food, music, French Soc pastries & petanque and
lots of prizes!

Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball with the Sports clubs
2pm-4pm, The Kingfisher

Drop in - have a go
Kingfisher Sports Hall, 4pm - 6pm Including indoor
five-aside Soccer/Basketball/Frisbee to name but a few.

Céile with Trad Soc & Dansoc
The Cube, Áras na Mac Léinn, 6pm - 8pm Irish set
dancing with tea and bickies, beginners welcome.

Dramsoc Play: 'Autobahn'
Bank Of Ireland Theatre (beside Sult), 8pm

Movies in The View, Áras na Mac Léinn at
5.30pm and 9pm

Speed Friending at Sult 8pm (over 18's ID required)

Friendly Friday Sept 1st

Postgrad Friday
**Pizza deals, giant games
& karaoke, Sult**
(over 18's ID required)

Choral Society: Karaoke
The Cube, Áras na Mac Léinn. 5.30pm - 7pm

Musical Society: Sing-a-Long Musical
The Cube, Áras na Mac Léinn 7pm - 9pm

Amnesty Society: Tea Cakes & Privilege
The Space, Áras na Mac Léinn, 5pm - 8pm

Lit & Deb Society
Comedy Debate, The View, 6pm - 8pm

Big Fáilte Party
8pm - 12am

Multi Venue Music
Áras na Mac Léinn & Sult
Silent Disco, live band Club Candy, DJs, dance offs,
games room, free pizza & plus free nightclub entry.
Note: Students Under 18's welcome but for Sult and night club
(over 18's ID required) €20 refundable deposit for Roisín Dubh
silent disco headsets.

Running All Week

★ **Orientation Info Desk** Áras na Mac Léinn,
Tuesday - Thursday, 10am - 5pm

★ **Students Union Office**
Áras na Mac Léinn 10am-5pm, Get your SU Card, Student Leap Card,
Locker, Second hand Books, play our Giant Games and maybe win a prize!

★ **Societies Office/SocsBox**
Áras na Mac Léinn 10am - 5pm. Call in for a chat about Societies.

★ **Sports Centre, Kingfisher** Call in lots to do and be a part of
Corrib Cages outdoor five aside soccer book your pitch at 0861772589

★ **ALIVE in the Hub**
Áras na Mac Léinn, 10am-3pm Cup and Chat:
Come along to the Hub for free hot drinks and snacks!

★ **Flirt FM, Áras na Mac Léinn 12pm-3pm** Call to your
campus radio station for volunteer sign-ups, competition entry and
recording of shout outs to be in with a chance to win a multimedia goodie bag.

★ **Career Development Centre**
9am - 5pm Drop in to get your course choice/
career questions answered.

Great Prizes & Free Food from our Fáilte Partners

Apache Pizza, Cafe na Gaeilge, Centra Newcastle, Cloud cafe,
CSI Cafe, Electric, Friars Restaurant, Kingfisher, Matt O'Flaherty,
An Bialann (Úr), Smokies, Stem Cafe, Sult, The Wall Cafe, Zinc cafe.

**See Campus Map included
for event locations**

 www.facebook.com/nuigororientation

 [@NUIGorientation](https://twitter.com/NUIGorientation)

Full Details: www.nuigalway.ie/startinguniversity



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CAMPUS MAP

- 1 The Institute for Lifecourse and Society (ILAS)
- 2 Biomedical Science Building
- 3 Corrib Village (Student Accommodation)
- 4 Engineering Building
- 5 J.E. Cairnes School of Business and Economics
- 6 Áras Moyola
- 7 Sports Centre
- 8 Arts Millennium Building (And new home of the School of Psychology)
- 9 Arts/Science Building
- 10 IT Building
- 11 Orbsen Building
- 12 James Hardiman Library
- 13 Áras na Gaeilge
- 14 Human Biology Building
- 15 Student Information Desk (SID) / Áras Uí Chathail
- 16 Áras na Mac Léinn and Bailey Allen Hall
- 17 O'Donoghue Centre for Drama, Theatre & Performance
- 18 Martin Ryan Institute
- 19 The Quadrangle
- 20 Huston Film School
- 21 Irish Centre for Human Rights

..... Accessible route across campus (for the mobility impaired)

Cafés, restaurants and bars

- IIA Úr and INC
- IIB Smokey's Café
- IIC Coffee On Line
- IID College Bar
- IIE Zinc Café
- IIF Friars Restaurant
- IIG Moffetts Restaurant
- IIH The Wall Café
- IIJ Caifé na Gaeilge
- IJK Pharmacy

Áras Moyola

Engineering Building

Biomedical Science Building

The Cairnes Building Entrance

Newcastle Road Entrance

QUINCENTENNIAL BRIDGE

DISTILLERY ROAD

LOWER NEWCASTLE

LOWER NEWCASTLE

UNIVERSITY ROAD

University Road Entrance

Human Biology Building

University Hospital Galway (UHG), including School of Medicine/ Clinical Sciences Institute

The Quadrangle

Arts Millennium Building (and new home of the School of Psychology)

James Hardiman Library

Cathedral
River Corrib

Student Information Desk (SID)/Áras Uí Chathail

O'Donoghue Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance

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<http://tinyurl.com/nuignmaps>

Location Coordinates

1. James Hardiman Library
53°16'46.8"N 9°03'40.1"W 
 2. Art/Science Building
53°16'47.8"N 9°03'37.5"W
 3. The Quadrangle
53°16'39.6"N 9°03'41.6"W 
 4. Arts Millennium Building
53°16'47.2"N 9°03'42.9"W
 5. IT Building
53°16'47.7"N 9°03'31.2"W
 6. Orbsen Building
53°16'45.9"N 9°03'28.6"W
 7. Engineering Building
53°17'00.9"N 9°03'50.7"W
 8. Áras na Gaeilge
53°16'43.5"N 9°03'37.7"W 
 9. Áras na Mac Léinn & Bailey Allen Hall
53°16'41.7"N 9°03'30.4"W
 10. Sports Complex
53°16'55.4"N 9°03'44.3"W
 11. Corrib Village (Student Accommodation)
53°17'08.2"N 9°03'54.7"W
 12. Áras Moyola
53°17'01.1"N 9°03'53.1"W
 13. Bank of Ireland Theatre
53°16'41.5"N 9°03'30.2"W
 14. J.E. Cairnes School of Business and Economics
53°17'02.8"N 9°03'56.9"W
 15. Student Information Desk (SID) Áras Uí Chathail
53°16'44.4"N 9°03'31.2"W 
 16. Áras de Brún
53°16'42.5"N 9°03'42.3"W
 17. Bookshop and SU Shop (Basement of Library)
53°16'47.8"N 9°03'37.5"W
 18. Chapel of St. Columbanus
53°16'49.6"N 9°03'46.0"W
 19. Counselling Service,
20. International Affairs Office,
21. Chaplaincy Centre - Distillery Road
53°16'51.8"N 9°03'47.7"W 
 22. Career Development Centre
53°16'47.8"N 9°03'37.5"W
 23. Health Unit, Students' Union and Societies Office
53°16'41.7"N 9°03'30.4"W
 24. Martin Ryan Institute
53°16'39.1"N 9°03'34.5"W
- University Rd.
53°16'36.2"N 9°03'41.2"W
- Newcastle Rd.
53°16'52.4"N 9°03'51.9"W

Starting University Checklist

Before you arrive have you ...

- Registered online at www.nuigalway.ie/registration? ☐
- Completed the Equal Access Survey? ☐
- Activated your online campus account? ☐
- Arranged your accommodation? If not, go to www.nuigalway.ie/student-life/accommodation ☐
- Researched your course and college at www.nuigalway.ie/colleges-and-schools? ☐

By the end of week one you should have ...

- Found your way around campus (check the map shown opposite) ☐
- Gone on one of the Campus Tours and noted the location of:
- Your College Office, ☐
- The Library, ☐
- Áras Uí Chathail (support services and academic administration), ☐
- Áras na Mac Léinn (Health Unit, Students' Union and Societies), ☐
- Sports Centre (Gym, Pool, Clubs / Kingfisher) ☐
- Met your Student Connect Mentor and save his/her number in your phone ☐
- Activated your NUI Galway email address and contacted your Academic Advisor ☐
- Met other students for a tea and a chat ☐
- Read your College Handbook ☐
- Collected your Student ID Card ☐

By the end of week two you should have...

- Registered for your Labs ☐
- Attended all your classes ☐
- Started studying and know when your assignments are due ☐
- Saved the numbers for Campus Security (091 493333) and your residence security to your phone ☐
- Added local taxi/cab numbers to your phone ☐
- Gone to Clubs and Societies Days and joined a number of them ☐
- Completed your evaluation of Orientation Week online ☐

YOUR SEMESTER AHEAD |

Here is a look at 2017's themed weeks, full of resources and fun to participate and enjoy.



For full details on events for each week check out www.nuigstudents.ie



First Year Hotline To find out about orientation, start dates, fees, accommodation, registration or any other queries you may have, please call the First Year Hotline: **+353 91 493 999**

OPENING HOURS: 16 Aug- 30 Sept: Mon to Fri: 9am to 6pm
Saturday 19 & 26 Aug: 9am to 1pm or visit: www.nuigalway.ie/new-students

