University of Limerick Information Sheet 2012-2013

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Relevant websites	General (university) information for Erasmus students: http://www.ul.ie/international University of Limerick website: http://www.ul.ie/	
Dates for academic year 2011/2012	Autumn Semester: Orientation: 6 th and 7 th September 2012 Start lectures: 10 th September 2012 Christmas break: 24 th December 2012 to 2 nd January 2013 Examinations: 8 th December to 21 st December 2012 Inter-term break: 2 nd to 23 rd January 2012 Spring Semester Orientation: 24 th and 25 th January 2013 Start lectures: 28 th January 2013 Easter break: 25 th March to 1 st April 2013 Examinations: 7 th to 20 th May 2013	

Application deadlines	Full Academic Year: 30 th June 2012 Autumn Semester: 30 th June 2012 Spring Semester: 31 st October 2012
Application material	Available on the website: http://www.ul.ie/international/uploads/Erasmus Application Form.pdf The incoming student application form must be completed and signed by the Erasmus Coordinator at the home university and returned to Ms Maria Neville in the International Education Division before the application deadlines. Applications will not be accepted after the deadline.
Language requirements	All incoming Erasmus students are required to possess sufficient language skills to attend lectures and sit examinations. Students should be competent to communicate through the medium of English prior to arrival at the University of Limerick.
Erasmus Intensive Language Course	The Language Centre of the University of Limerick offers an intensive language course for 3 days the week prior to the start of the semester. The tuition fee is 250 Euro. Language Centre website: www.ul.ie/languagecentre
Insurance requirements for incoming exchange students	All EU students are eligible to avail of full medical services in Ireland, on presentation of a European Health Card. The European Health Card provides entitlement to public health care for medical treatment. Additional private health care can be obtained from the following Irish Health Insurance companies, VHI (www.vhi.ie) or Quinn Healthcare (www.quinn-healthcare.com)
Immigration	All Non EU students coming to the University of Limerick are required by the Irish Department of Justice (www.justice.ie) to register with the local Gardai (Irish police). VISA applications should be made through the Irish Embassy in the home country.

On Campus Accommodation	Once your placement at the University of Limerick is confirmed, the International Education Division will send you an on-campus accommodation form. Please note accommodation cannot be booked until your placement at the University of Limerick has been confirmed. A number of single rooms have been reserved for Erasmus students in the 5 student villages on campus. Campus accommodation is limited and is allocated on a first come first served basis. Booking forms must be accompanied by a 250 Euro booking deposit in order to reserve your accommodation. If you are attending UL for the Autumn semester only, you are advised not to reserve on-campus accommodation, but to select Brookfield Hall or private accommodation. Application forms for on campus accommodation should be returned to: Ms Deirdre Ryan Accommodation Office Deirdre.Ryan@ul.ie Off-campus residences are available. Parkview Hall and Brookfield Hall are recommended. For more information on accommodation, see http://www.ul.ie/campuslife/accommodation.htm
Off Campus Accommodation	There are several off-campus residences, details of which are provided at http://www.ul.ie/internationaleducation/level1.php?id=64 The accommodation office will assist with private off-campus accommodation. A list is available on request either from Deirdre.ryan@ul.ie or from Erasmus@ul.ie You are advised to view before paying a deposit.
Approximate cost of living per month	The total cost of living for students in Ireland is estimated at approximately 1000 Euro per month
Orientation:	The Orientation Programme, organized by the International Education Division, introduces students to the various services and systems in operation at the University of Limerick e.g. enrolment, module registration and other issues such as health services, sports facilities and entertainment. The Orientation Programme takes place over a two day period on the Thursday & Friday before the beginning of each semester. As part of the Orientation programme, students will meet their UL Academic Coordinator to discuss module choices. Please note it is compulsory for all students to attend Orientation.
Transport:	Students coming to the University of Limerick are advised to travel to Shannon Airport, which is 20 km from Limerick. Bus Eireann runs buses from Shannon Airport to Limerick city centre which costs approx 8 Euro. Taxi costs from the Airport to the University of Limerick vary from 35 – 40 Euro. A regular bus service runs between the University campus and the city centre.

Modules:	Erasmus students are required to take 3 modules from within the subject area of the Bilateral Agreement and may take a further two modules outside this subject area. Acceptance on these modules is subject to academic prerequisites, timetabling constraints and number of students enrolled.
ECTS Credits:	The normal course load at the University of Limerick is 5 modules per semester. Erasmus students are limited to a <u>maximum</u> of 5 modules and a <u>minimum</u> of 3 modules per semester. Each course is awarded 6 ECTS credits.