



# IRELAND

## UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK

### About the Program in Cork, Ireland

- Available the fall, spring, and academic year
- Eligible for transfer credit
- Various on-campus accommodations available
- Language requirement: None

### Why Cork?

Cork is the second largest city in Ireland and is a vibrant and expanding center for culture and the arts. It is home to a number of international film, choral, and music festivals. Cork is ideally situated at the head of the inlet of Cork Harbor with the sea just to the south; mountains, hills, and river valleys to the north and east; and the well-known Lakes of Killarney to the west. Long distance walking and cycling are very popular in the region. In all, the countryside has about 1,000 kilometers of developed walking and cycling trails.



*View of the University College Cork campus.*

### Study at University College Cork

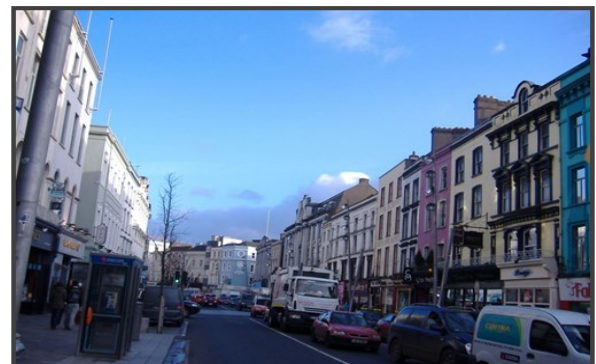
Founded in 1845, the University College Cork is one of Ireland's oldest institutions of higher education. The campus radiates a warm personal charm, which greatly enhances the learning environment. UCC has almost 15,000 students pursuing undergraduate and postgraduate studies and more than 2,000 students from 76 countries. Students who attend the fall semester may participate in a one-month Early Start Program that introduces students to Ireland and Irish studies through a choice of music, archaeology, folklore, history, law, literature, ecosystems, and/or management courses. Three credits may be earned for participation. The Early Start Program has become one of the hallmarks of UCC's study abroad program and is highly recommended. For more information, please visit [www.ucc.ie/en.study/international](http://www.ucc.ie/en.study/international).



*UMW student Ellen Ferrante standing at Giant's Causeway on a weekend trip to Northern Ireland.*

### Excursions

Excursions and field trips are held during the Early Start Program. The International Education Office organizes a number of activities as well, and information is sent via email after arrival. These activities are not included in the program cost.



*Downtown Cork.*



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## Eligibility

This program is open to undergraduate students who have completed 12 or more UMW credits and have a 3.0 GPA. Exceptions may be made for students with GPAs between 2.8 and 3.0.

## Academics

The number of credits for each module is not equivalent to UMW credits. A 5 credit module, for example, is equivalent to 2.5 UMW credits. Normally, 15 UMW credits will be awarded for 30 UCC credits. All major courses must be pre-approved by a UMW department chair. Elective credits may be approved by the Center for International Education. Students must receive a "C" or better for courses to transfer.



*View of the famous Irish countryside.*

## Services

Program services include advising services, internet access, airport greeting, on-site orientation, limited international health insurance, handbooks, and credit transfer. Students must purchase international health insurance through UMW. It is recommended that students keep their domestic insurance policy active while abroad. No refunds are given for dual coverage. A copy of their insurance cards will be sent to students prior to departure.

## Application Deadlines

TERM	UMW DEADLINES	PROGRAM DATES
Fall Semester	Mid-March	Late August to mid-December
Spring Semester	Early-October	Early January to late May
Summer	Mid-April	4 weeks in July



*Sunset over the River Lee in Cork.*

## Housing and Meals

Participants in the UMW program are housed in one of the self-catered residence halls, a 10-minute walk from campus. Although consideration is given to each request, housing choice is not guaranteed until deposits are paid. Housing is assigned on a first-come-first-served basis. Residents are responsible for their own food purchases and preparation. Each apartment has a fully furnished kitchen and living room. A wide range of dining facilities is available to students. Students may purchase a meal plan, which offers great savings.



*Blarney Castle in County Cork.*