



UCC Language Centre Summer School 2026

Join us in the beautiful setting of University College Cork, Ireland.
15 June – 21 August 2026



Welcome to our Summer School 2026



WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK LANGUAGE CENTRE SUMMER SCHOOL

- We extend a warm welcome to you to join us between **15 June and 21 August 2026** at our beautiful location at the heart of our **award-winning university campus**.
- Our main campus is set **on 42 acres of wooded grounds** and yet just a short walk from Cork city centre. We provide students with a top-quality educational experience and a stimulating and fun selection of extra-curricular activities.
- Course fees include many benefits, including a **free weekly social programme**, sports and gym membership and access to all the student services and facilities on campus.
- **Cork** offers the **best of traditional Irish culture with a modern European outlook**. Situated on the **Wild Atlantic Way**, Cork also gives easy access to other major cities in Ireland and Europe, and the ocean is just a short bus trip away.

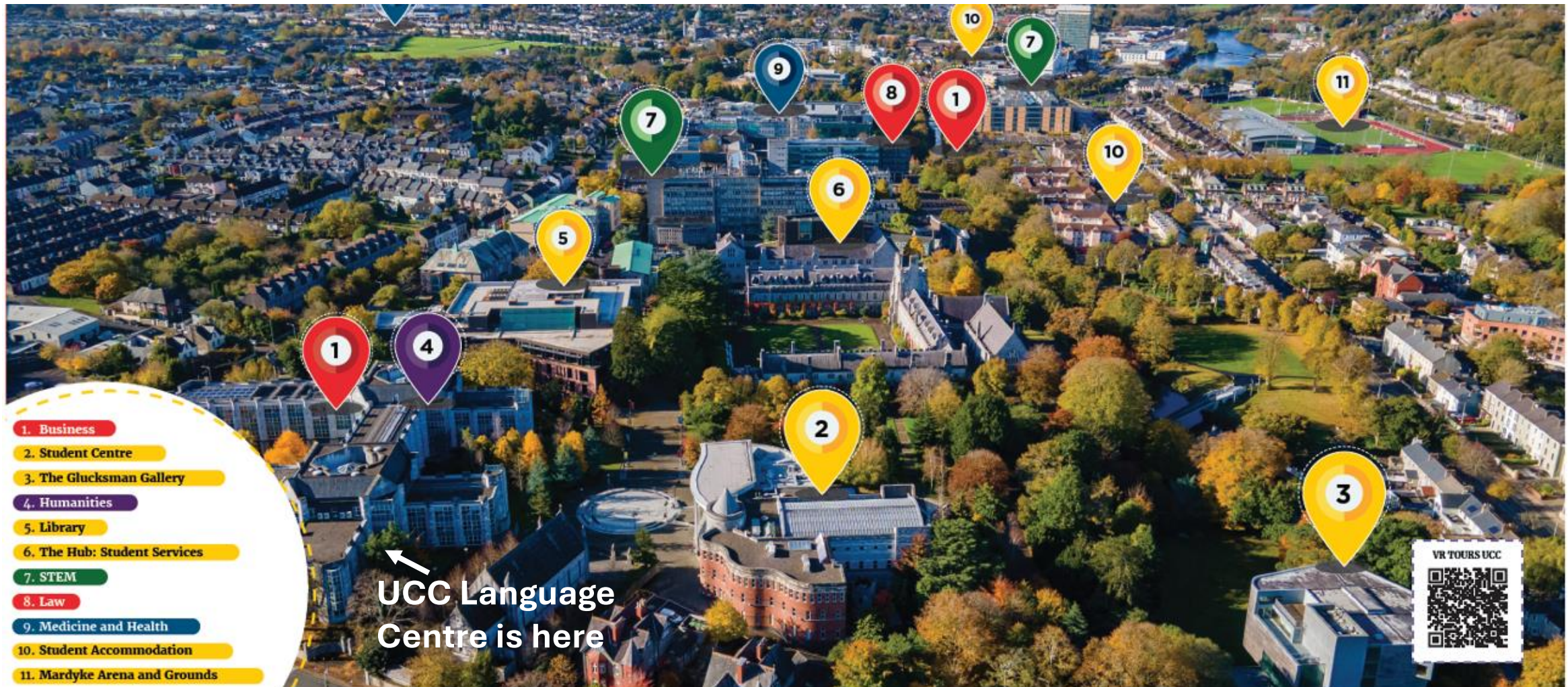
Message from our Summer School Director

On behalf of UCC Language Centre, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all who are looking to build their English language skills in a university setting. We would be delighted for you to study with us and are looking forward to helping you achieve your language, professional, academic, and cultural goals. Whichever programme you choose, our highly capable and experienced staff are here to support you at every step along the way and hope you have a hugely rewarding, fulfilling and enjoyable experience with us this coming summer.

*Claire Maloney
Summer School Director*



We are located in the O'Rahilly Building on campus - No. 1 building at the bottom of the photograph below





Áras na Mac Léinn
Student Centre

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Áras Uí Rathaille
O'Rahilly Building

Áras Uí Ónáin
Oonan Chapel



UI GREENMETRIC WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS



AWARDS 2025

Presented to:

University College Cork

as The 2nd Most Sustainable University
based on UI GreenMetric World University Rankings 2025

Taiwan, 5 December 2025



Dr. Vishnu Juwono, S.E., MIA
Kepala UI GreenMetric



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UI Greenmetric 2025

**Ranked No. 1 globally in the
Energy & Climate Change category**

ABOUT CORK



About Cork

Ireland's second city, proudly referred to by Corkonians as 'the Real Capital' is a forward-thinking, fast-growing and friendly city and an important business and cultural hub, making it a great place to live and work.

Home to 225,000 people, Cork is a cosmopolitan city set against a backdrop of stunning coastline, countryside and picturesque coastal towns. It is easy to get around and 60% of people in Cork get to work in 30 minutes or less.

Located at the second largest natural harbour in the world Cork is the heartland of Ireland's energy, food, pharmaceutical and ICT industries. Seven out of ten of the world's top pharmaceutical companies and Ireland's top four food companies are located in the province. UCC graduates make a critical contribution to the local talent pipeline that is at the heart of innovation and competitiveness for the region.

Cork is the fastest growing city in the country and has been ranked as one of Europe's top 25 cities of the future.



Summer School Overview



20- or 16-hours English tuition each week

Certificate on completion

Classes:

09.00 to 13.00
Monday – Friday (or
Monday to Thursday
for 16 hours)
with a break mid-
morning

Drop-in support sessions
throughout the week

A visit to a tourist
attraction on one
afternoon each week

Activities on campus

An evening social
event on campus or in
Cork City

Student card gives access to all the
facilities on campus

Sports club membership (swim,
gym, climbing wall, classes). Art
gallery, cafes, shops and hair salon
all on campus



Access to
Boole library on
campus

Student Health
and Wellbeing
supports





English for Work and Life (General English)



Develop your English for use in a range of real-life situations. You will work in small friendly groups, and our highly skilled teachers will help you develop your English quickly while also having fun. This programme sometimes takes you out of the classroom and onto campus to get you actively learning.

See [website](#) for more details

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course you will:

- have received expert advice on how to improve your spoken English communication, along with your comprehension skills
- have learnt useful functional language to help you interact in a variety of work and everyday situations (conversation, emails, on the phone, meetings, socialising, etc.)
- have improved your overall command of grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation
- have developed strategies to continue improving your English independently
- be better able to collaborate and share ideas in groups
- have engaged with experiences, and perspectives from other cultures in a university setting

Includes a **free communicative class** based on topics related to Irish life and culture.

Starting every Monday throughout the summer. Minimum enrolment 2 weeks (although shorter stays may be possible).

Level A2 to C1+

Suitable for Erasmus+ participants

Academic English



Develop the skills needed for success in an English-medium university.

Develop the skills and knowledge you need for study and life in an English-speaking university. You will grow in confidence using English in both academic and general situations in UCC and Cork. Highly-skilled teachers will give you advice and guidance to help you develop your language skills quickly.

See [website](#) for more details

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will:

- be able to communicate more confidently and effectively in an academic or formal style
- have developed your ability to use English for academic discussions, project work, and presentations
- better understand and use the typical structures and organisation of ideas in western academic texts for reading and writing
- be better able to comprehend lectures by identifying organisation, discourse markers, and speakers' stance / attitude
- have exchanged knowledge and ideas with people from other cultures and academic disciplines

Includes a free communicative class based on topics including Irish life and culture.

Starting every Monday throughout the summer. Minimum enrolment 2 weeks (although shorter stays may be possible).

Level B2 to C2

To best meet your needs, we can offer the course at B1+ Intermediate level if there is sufficient demand

Suitable for Erasmus+ participants

Business and Professional English



Develop your ability to use English successfully for professional purposes.

29 June to 24 July (this course does not extend beyond 24 July)

(Choose a 1, 2, 3 or 4-week 20-hour per week course OR a 2, 3 or 4-week 16-hour per week course)

This course takes a **21st Century Skills approach**, focusing on the competences of **creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, communication**, and **digital literacies**.

As well as excellent language input, authentic business texts, and opportunities for classroom interaction, each week of the course concludes in a collaborative project which gives students the opportunity to put what they have learned into practice.

Completed projects will be published on a dedicated class website and can include tasks such as:

- multimedia webpages that communicate information to potential customers through text, video, images, audio, or infographics.
- recorded presentations or meetings.
- tip sheets for job applications and interviews.
- articles discussing a business issue from a range of perspectives.

Level B1+ to C2

B2 recommended minimum *Suitable for Erasmus+ participants*

Business and Professional English cont.



Our highly skilled and dedicated tutors will give you focused advice and feedback to help you thrive in your current or future professional career!

Please see [website](#) for more details.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will:

- have developed confidence in your speaking skills through role plays, presentations, and dynamic conversation.
- be better able to flexibly and appropriately use formal and semi-formal language in a range of professional situations, such as meetings, emails, phone and video calls, interviews, and presentations.
- be equipped with communication and language strategies to successfully manage collaborative teamwork, decision-making, negotiations, training, and networking.
- have increased your awareness of key business vocabulary and professional practice across cultures.
- be better able to comprehend, summarise, and evaluate information from business texts you read or listen to.
- have received expert feedback on the accuracy and effectiveness of your speaking and writing skills in terms of content and language in a business setting

English for Exams



Raise your level of English and learn the skills and strategies you need to maximise your success in IELTS, LANGUAGECERT, Cambridge B2 First, or C1 Advanced English exams.

See [website](#) for more details

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will:

- have improved your overall command of higher-level grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation
- be better able to demonstrate your language ability in speaking and writing tasks for exams and for real life communication
- have done sample papers and received expert advice and feedback to help you perform well in all skills areas tested (reading, speaking, listening and writing)
- have a better understanding of exam questions and marking criteria so that you can give an excellent performance
- have developed strategies to continue improving your English independently

Includes a free communicative class based on topics including Irish life and culture.

Students may enrol on the Exam Preparation course for a minimum of 2 weeks or up to a maximum of 10 weeks.

End-of-Course Assessment: There will be no exit exam requirement for this course when taken during the summer. However, all students will receive a certificate on completion of the summer course.

Level B1+ (IELTS Band 4.5) to C1+

B2 Recommended



UCC teachers are really skilled, I improved my writing skills to help me write my thesis in corpus linguistics in English. UCC facilities are great and the buildings are very beautiful.

Mai Ogino
Japan



I choose to study in Ireland because it is not crowded, it has many beautiful landscapes, and it is easy to visit other European Countries. The course at the Language Centre, UCC helped me to upgrade my speaking, listening and communication skills.

Minji Tak
Korea



UCC language centre has a good vision for students. I appreciate all teachers and staff they are very polite, respectful, gentle, and warm. You can find everything you need on the campus and people are open-minded.

Luc Laurent
France



The most rewarding experience I've had in my life. Meeting and discovering new cultures is amazing!

Loris Cadau
France



What our students say





Sample Timetable with some suggested free afternoon activities*

GMT	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
09.00-13.00	English classes Monday – Friday (20 hours) Or Monday - Thursday (16 hours)				
13.00-14.00	LUNCH				
14.00-18.00	*Opportunity to explore UCC Campus	Free Language Centre Communicative Class	Summer School Social programme: Visit a tourist attraction in Ireland with us	*Opportunity to visit UCC Glucksman Gallery OR Sign up for an additional 12-hour add-on course - Business English & TOEIC Exam Skills	*Opportunity to use UCC Sports Facilities
18.00-20.00				Summer School Evening Social programme. For example, a Trad music session	

Programme 1

English for Work and Life (General English) Level A2 to C1+



Price list

15 June-21 August
2026

Programme 2

Academic English Level B1+ (B2 recommended) to C2

Start dates	Hours per week	2 weeks	3 weeks	4 weeks	5 weeks	6 weeks	7 weeks	8 weeks	9 weeks	10 weeks
Any Monday	20	€680	€1020	€1300	€1625	€1890	€2205	€2520	€2835	€3150
Any Monday	16	€560	€845	€1110	€1385	€1640	€1915	€2190	€2460	€2735

Programme 3

Business and Professional English Level B1+ (B2 recommended minimum) to C2 (Course Dates 29 June – 24 July)

Start dates	Hours per week	1 week	2 weeks	3 weeks	4 weeks
Any Monday	20	€380	€680	€1020	€1300
Any Monday	16	-	€560	€845	€1110

Programme 4

English for Exams Level B1+ to C1+

Start dates	Hours per week	2 weeks	4 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	10 weeks
Any Monday	20	€680	€1300	€1890	€2520	€3150

A weekly social programme, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday evening, is included in all programmes

How to apply and payment options

To apply for a summer programme please scan the QR code

or

Ctrl+Click the relevant text below.

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Summer School Application Form



TransferMate

TransferMate offers a fast and secure way to send funds to institutions globally, giving you the best exchange rate on your payment. Please click on the link below for details of how to pay using TransferMate:

https://ucclanguagecentre.transfermateeducation.com/en/how_it_works.aspx

Bank Transfer

Bank Name:	Bank of Ireland, 32 South Mall, Cork, Ireland
Account Name:	UCC Language Centre
Account Number:	87099989
Sort Code:	90-27-68
IBAN Number:	IE58 BOFI 9027 6887 0999 89
Bank Identifier Code:	BOFIE2D

All bank charges to be paid by the student.

Payment Reference

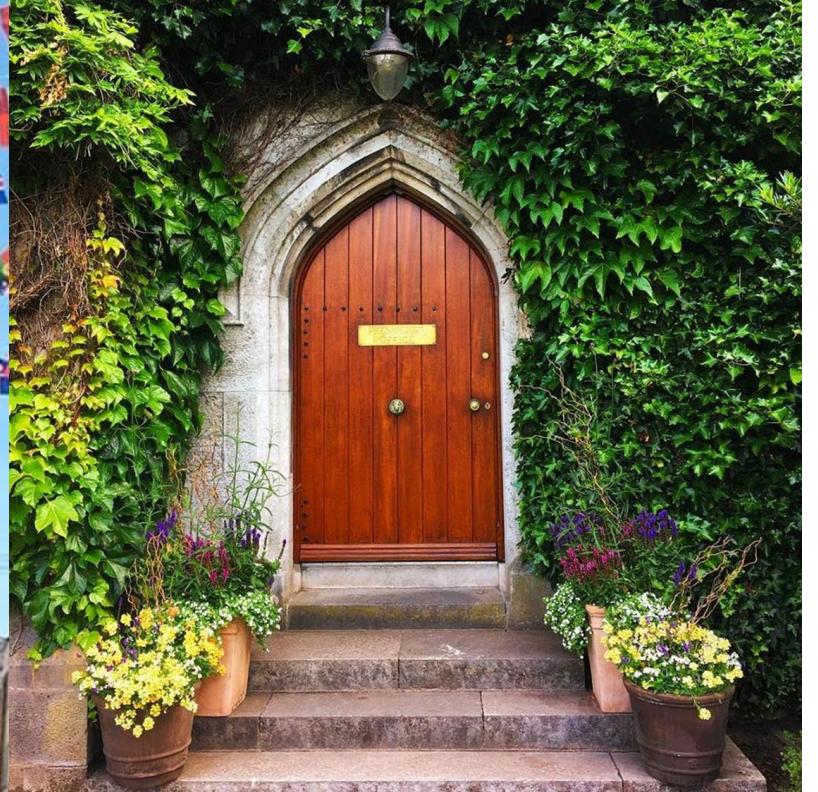
Please reference your payment to 'Summer School' + add your name.

Social life

- Our students enjoy the busy life of the campus. With cafes, shops, bars, sports centre, a library and even an art gallery all on site, lunch and break times are never dull. There is always something happening on campus.
- Our organised social programme twice a week introduces students to the beauty and culture of Ireland. This might be enjoying the sea on the Wild Atlantic Way or joining a traditional Irish music session in a pub with the new friends you have made in class.
- Your university student card gives you free gym and sports club membership and access to all of the campus facilities.







Summer Campus Apartment Accommodation



- [Self-Catering Apartments](#)
- For students who prefer to live independently, we can arrange accommodation for you in one of the following en-suite campus accommodation complexes: [Victoria Mills](#) or [Victoria Lodge](#). Or, if you'd prefer a non-ensuite apartment, [Castlewhite](#). All are only a short walk away from UCC and this option allows you the opportunity to mix with other students while studying in Cork.
- Prices can be found at our [Accommodation](#) page.

VICTORIA MILLS

- **Victoria Mills** comprises **90 apartments** and features **a mixture of 3 to 7 bedroom apartments over 7 floors**
- 20 minute walk from Cork City centre
- A living/kitchen space in all apartments
- Fully-equipped kitchen with oven, microwave, fridge freezer, dishwasher, toaster, kettle, iron, ironing board
- Free WiFi
- 24-hour reception
- Laundry on site
- On site coffee shop



VICTORIA LODGE

- **Victoria Lodge** comprises **88 apartments** with a **choice of 3, 4 and 5 bedrooms**
- Bus passing the Main Entrance every 10 minutes to the **City Centre**
- Combination of single and double bed (4 foot wide) in all rooms
- A living/kitchen space in all apartments
- Fully-equipped kitchen with oven, microwave, fridge freezer, toaster, kettle, iron, ironing board
- TV/Games room available for all guests
- Free WiFi
- 24-hour reception
- Laundry room on site



Castlewhite

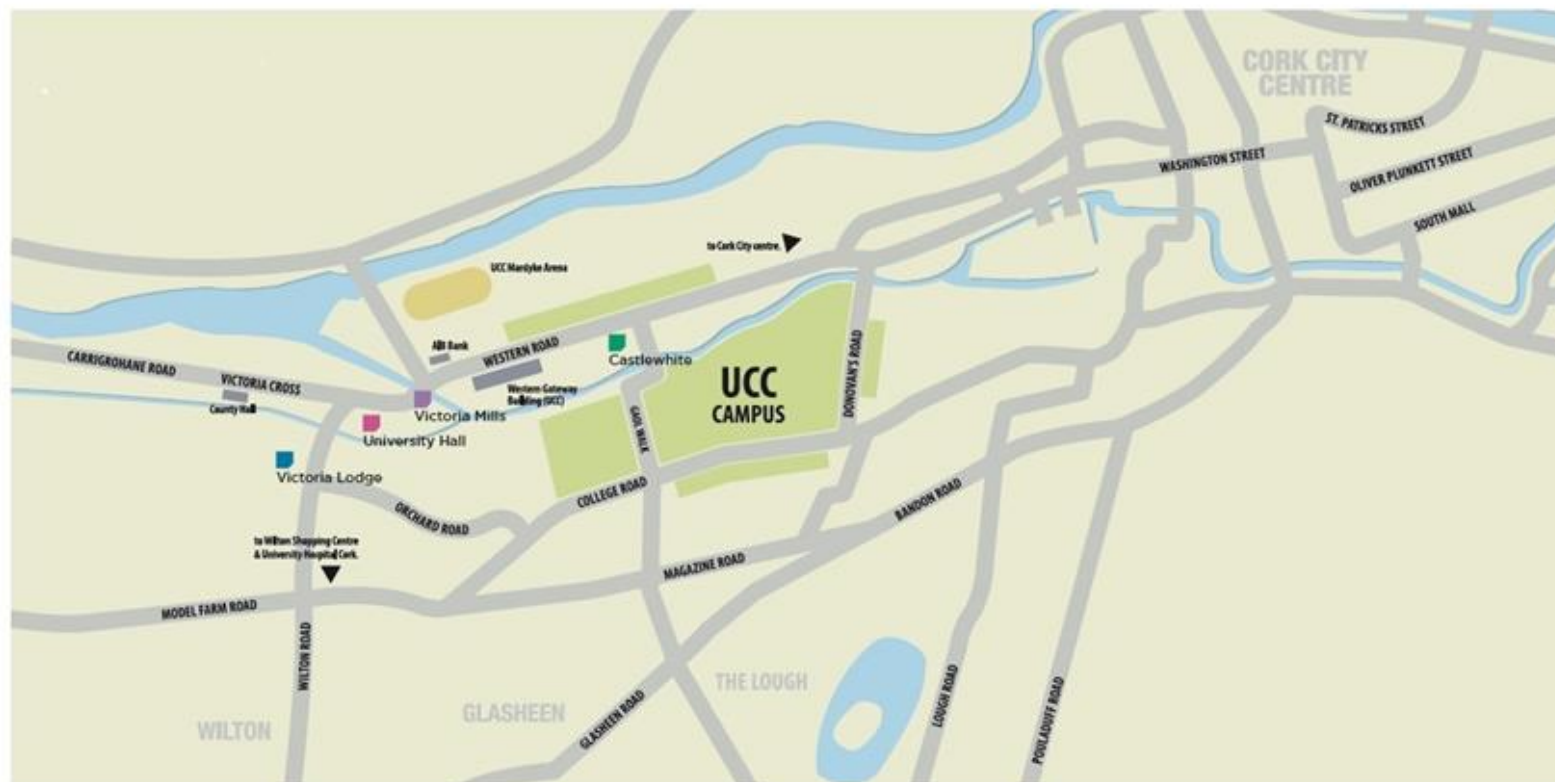
- **Castlewhite** comprises **64 apartments** with a **choice of 3, 4 and 5 bedrooms**
- Bus passing the Main Entrance every 10 minutes to the **City Centre**
- Double bed (4 foot wide) in all rooms
- A living/kitchen space in all apartments
- Fully-equipped kitchen with oven, microwave, fridge freezer, toaster, kettle, iron, ironing board
- Complimentary WiFi
- 24-hour reception
- Laundry room on site
- Coffee Shop on site



UCC Language Centre and Campus Accommodation



Finding your way around **UCC** CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION



UCC CAMPUS
ACCOMMODATION

 **University Hall**
tel: +353 21 4818400
email: universityhall@ucc.ie

 **Victoria Lodge**
tel: +353 21 4941200
email: victorialodge@ucc.ie

 **Castlewhite**
tel: +353 21 4902867
email: castlewhite@ucc.ie

 **Victoria Mills**
tel: +353 21 4867615
email: victoriamills@ucc.ie



Our Language Centre delivers a suite of [Erasmus+ staff mobility programmes](#), spanning both [English Language Development](#) and [Teacher Development](#) pathways.

English Language Development courses:

- English for Work and Life
- English for Work and Life + Enhanced Communication Skills in the Workplace
- English for Work and Life + Irish Culture
- Effective English Communication in a University Workplace

For more details on our courses, contact eflsummerschool@ucc.ie for Summer School enquiries, and TandD@ucc.ie for Teacher Development opportunities.

For funding, participants should contact their institution's International Office or Erasmus+ Coordinator.

Our institutional details:

Name of Institution: University College Cork | **Erasmus ID Code:** IRL-CORK01 | **PIC:** 999975717 | **OIB:** E10209380 | **Erasmus University Charter:** 28454

Come join us this summer in Cork!





Leo Woods
Director



Vivienne Lordan
Centre Manager
Head of Marketing



Sally Orren
Head of General and
Academic
Programmes



Claire Maloney
Summer School
Director



Brendan Ó Sé
Head of Development



David Moran
Head of General and
Academic
Programmes

Management Team



Some of our team



Carolyn O'Brien
Student
Engagement
Officer



John Helen
Summer School
Administrator



Lauren French
Administrator
and Receptionist



Joan O'Sullivan
Senior Executive
Assistant



Michelle Finn
University Language
Teacher



Robert McCaul
University Language
Teacher



Claire Louise Nesdale
University Language
Teacher



Rita Flynn
Host Family Co-ordinator

Cork is a very unique place to go, not many Koreans come to Ireland. I like the culture, friendliness and many delicious beers. I improved my speaking and listening with native speakers

Jae Kyung Lee
Korea



It was a fantastic course and a great experience in a very nice university with an amazing environment!

Marta Garcia-Conde & Eva Pellicer
Spain



UCC Language Centre classes are not only good for young people, but for working people too. My goal was to be more fluent in speaking, I achieved my goal. I will recommend this course to all professional people I meet.

Corrado Brilli
Italy



What I like most about Cork is the people. They are very kind here. I think learning English in Language Centre in University College Cork is a good match for me. Everyone is very friendly. I love it.

Yuma Otsubo
Japan



What our students say



Fantastic experience! I immersed myself in Irish culture in an amazing university and I had the opportunity to meet people from different countries and make new friends.

**Miguel Rodriguez
Romero**
Venezuela



Studying in UCC was great and exciting for me. I'm so happy I had that experience.

Tetiana Riezvykh
Ukraine



Everything was great – good friends, teachers, classes and activities. I love them all! The campus is one of my favourite places in Ireland.

Soyoung Kim
Korea



What you find in UCC, you cannot find in another school. The campus, the facilities, the networking. You have access to a lot of information.

**Claudia Da Silva
Guedes**
Brazil



What our students say



Autism Friendly Spaces at UCC

Calm Zone



The Hawthorn Garden



Become a
friend of
our
Language
Centre;
connect
with us
on social
media



Follow us on
[Instagram](#)

Follow us on
[Facebook](#)

This link will
bring you to all
our social
media.





DEVELOP YOUR ENGLISH
WITH THE UNIVERSITY
LANGUAGE CENTRE



MEET LIKE-MINDED
PEOPLE FROM AROUND
THE WORLD



BRUSH UP ON YOUR
GENERAL OR
PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH



BE ASSURED OF A WARM
IRISH WELCOME!

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