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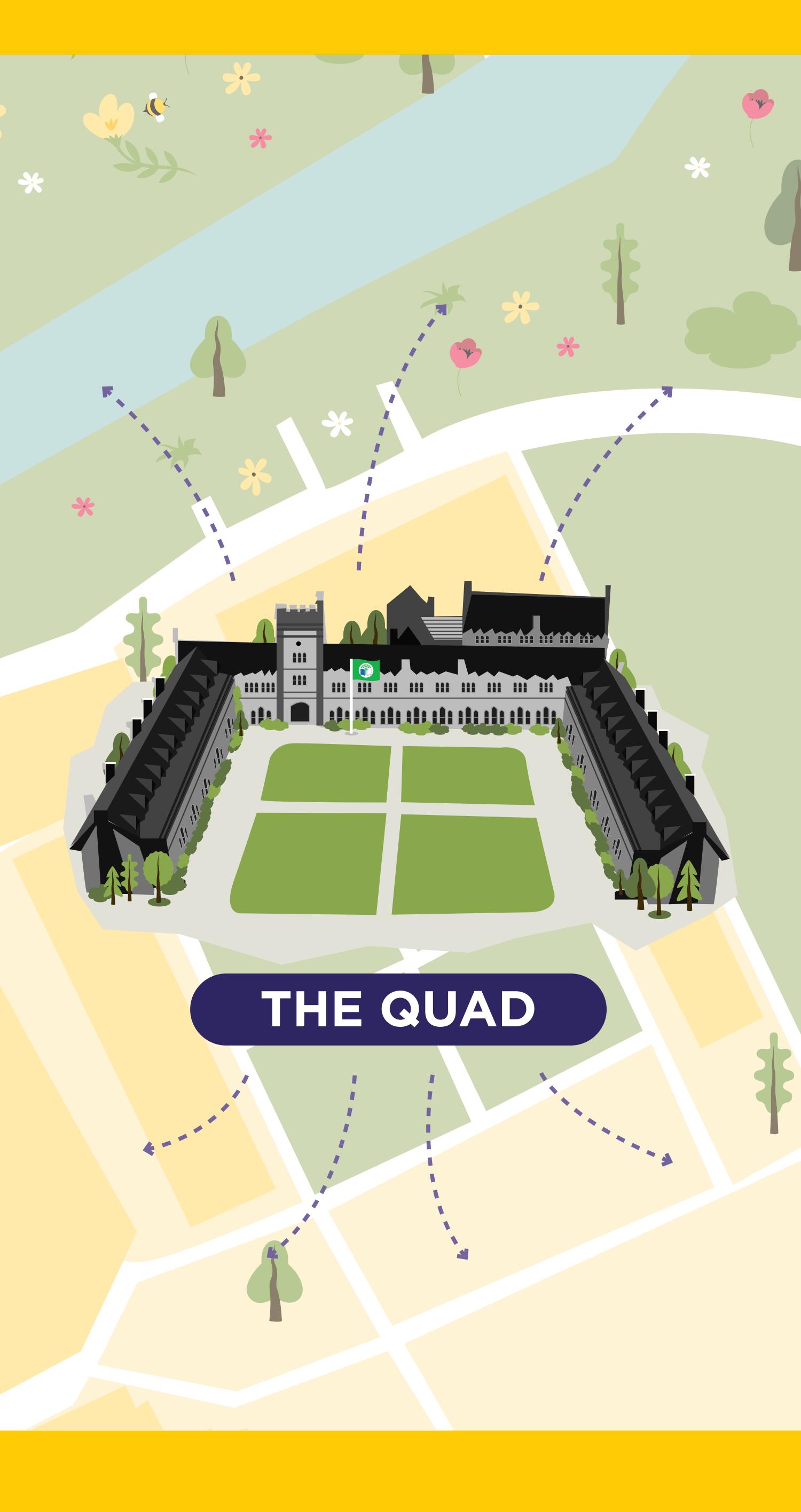
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>> PEER SUPPORT



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- Structured to promote teamwork and collaboration with an expectation that PSLs display independence and initiative in their role
- · Wide variety of events and initiatives that are led by the PSLs:
 - PITstop (Peer Information Table)
 - Social integration events for 1st Year and international students
 - Recruitment drives
 - Interviews
 - Focus groups

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- Programme based on social responsibility entirely reliant upon the premise that UCC students are willing to give back to the university community
- New entrants receive support and guidance
- Community-based system that requires commitment to benefit the wider community
- Each PSL has a social responsibility to help the next student transition in and through

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- Designed as to be an inclusive programme - open to students of all backgrounds
- PSL base is diverse
- Training includes a session from the EDI Unit regarding unconscious bias and treating all students equally
- Inclusive and diverse representation on the Steering Committee:
 - Mature Students Representative
 - Students with Disabilities Representative
 - International Students Representative

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- Encourage Peer Support Leaders
 (PSLs) to draw upon their personal
 university journeys to guide students
 assigned to them
- Students communicate their unique personal lived experiences and knowledge

PEER SUPPORT
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- Much of a PSL's ongoing interaction with students takes place in a digital space
- PSLs receive training on online tone and conduct from the UCC Skills Centre



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- · Facilitate empowerment and not micromanagement of UCC societies
- Provide training and guidance to enable the societies to be at the helm of their own creation

STUDENT SOCIETIES
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- Dozens of societies with a socially responsible ethos and agenda (particularly in our social, political and activism, charitable and religious societies groupings)
- Many societies have a focus on outreach
- · Huge focus on community engagement
- Dedicated Welfare position on Society Executive



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- Provide a platform and support to celebrate diversity in all its forms and to challenge the inequalities of our age
- Our societies events are seen as a 'safe space' for people of all backgrounds, sexual orientation, race and religion
- Zero tolerance 'bullying and harassment' policy and work closely with Campus Watch



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- 109 societies cater for over 12,600 students across 7 fields: social, political & activism, creative, SEFS, Business and Law/Medicine and Health, cultural & debating and charitable & religious
- Provide an infrastructure and platform for the students to reach out, inform, interact, assess, conceive and discover
- · 2500+ events per year created, curated and communicated by student committees



- Provide training to increase digital fluency: Website Training, Portal Training, Graphic Design Training and Social Media training
- · All committee resources are based on online portal
- Premium graphic design tools available (a suite of Apple Mac computers equipped with Adobe photoshop and Canva premium)
- Each society is given ownership of their own individual website

THE HUB >> DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES



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INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- #LMAO (learn mindfully and observe)
 a mindfulness practice to use for improving study/performance and overall wellbeing
- Encourage independence while linking students in with the academic departments
- Support students to leverage technology to foster independence and creative thinking

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 Actively encourage students with disabilities to apply to become Peer Support Leaders (PSLs)



>> DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES



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- Actively promote self-advocacy for students
- Support and encourage students with disabilities to be more active in Clubs and Societies

>> DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Train students in AT and encourage them to widely share and communicate that knowledge
- · DSS Mentoring Programme
- DSS Summer Internship Programme
- Self-advocacy and support around disclosure
- The needs assessment enables students to be more self-aware and knowledgeable about their strengths and challenges in a learning environment

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- Train and support students in the use of IT and AT to maximize independence and employability
- Train and support students with organisational difficulties to use IT



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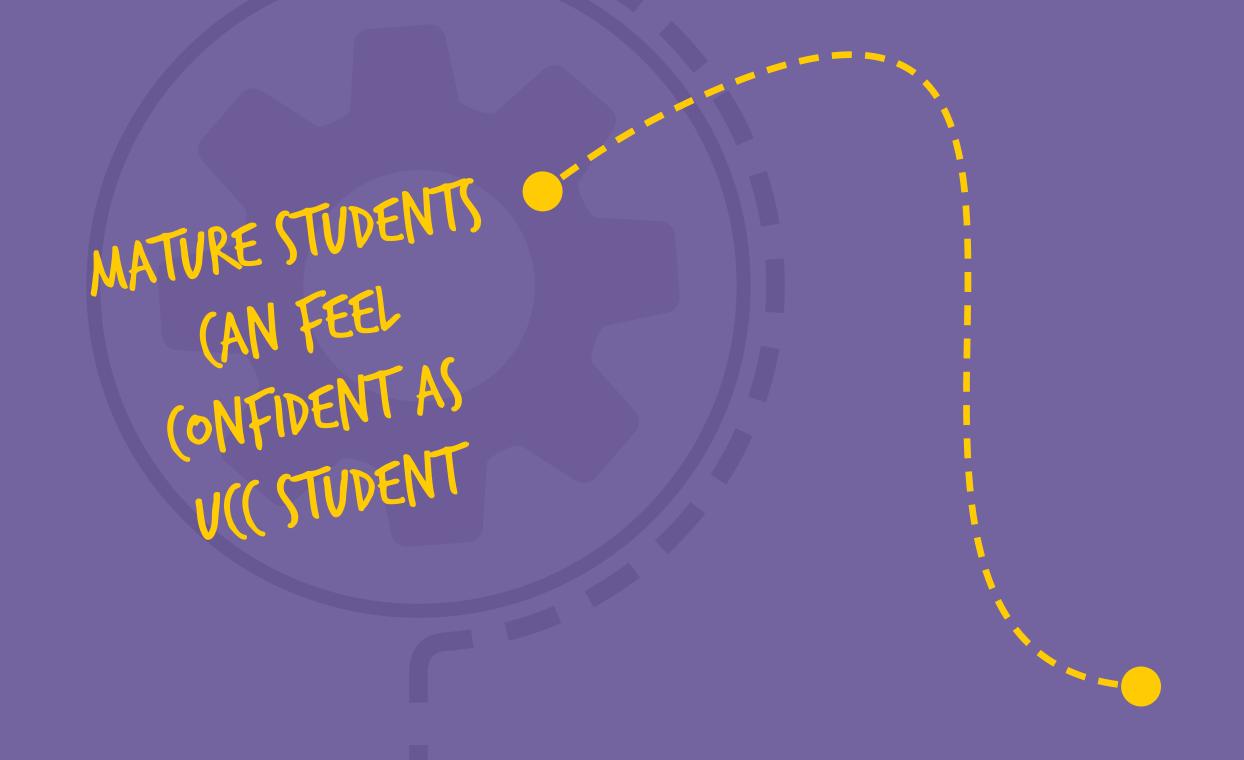
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INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- Provide information as early as possible to allow for independent and creative research
- Regular feedback opportunities to improve service offering and student support





- · Actively encourage volunteering and mentoring
- An environment of peer support for mature students is fostered in the Mature Student Common Room



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- · Foster mature students to be agents for change by affirming their ability
- Encourage students to engage with the SU and EDI Unit





CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- · Pre-Entry 'JumpStart' Workshops
- Current students are invited to deliver campus tours and talk to incoming students
- · Students are encouraged to mentor and volunteer in Peer-to-Peer support



- · Students can access IT Workshops
- Students interact with staff via social media platforms

>> STUDENT ASSISTANCE FUND & BUDGETARY ADVISOR SERVICE



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>> STUDENT ASSISTANCE FUND & BUDGETARY ADVISOR SERVICE



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

 Students gain independence through financial supports and gain creative strategies to manage rising costs

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SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE

· Advocacy service for grants, entitlements and bridging gaps



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 Empower students to challenge inequalities and seek supports and assistance

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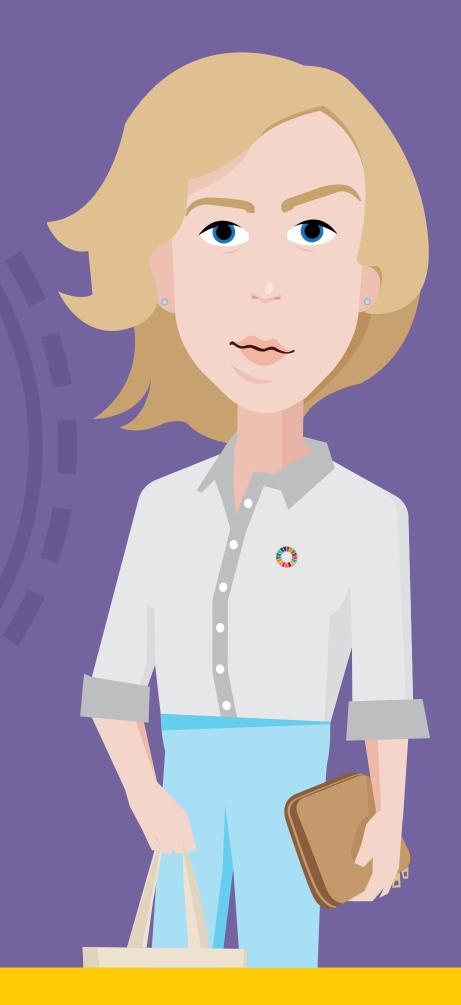
 Students create a knowledge base from budgeting sessions, workshops and presentations which helps them to evaluate their financial situation and communicate their needs

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DIGITALLY FLUENT

Students engage with on-line assessment tool and book sessions online



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- · CTYI Lead Tutors develop classes for primary school-aged children
- LEARNSMART initiative
- Encourage Senior Year UCC PLUS+ students to explore and consider the world of work and further study



SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE

- Homework Club tutoring in DEIS schools
- · Students act as reps for their niche community
- Peer Support encourages students to engage with peer support and to also apply to train up as Peer Support Leaders (PSLs)



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- Inequality is overcome directly through personal experience of UCC PLUS+
- Encourage students to volunteer and avail of travel and study abroad opportunities to broaden their perceptions, experiences and perspective of other cultures and practices



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Develop Student Ambassador Skillset: leadership, public speaking, being a role model, etc.
- Homework Club Tutors
- · 1:1 meetings students have a platform to communicate and evaluate their experiences inside and outside the learning environment.



- Digital platform for student appointments
- Students are invited to record their experiences/feedback in a digital format via online surveys

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>> UCC CAMPUS RADIO & STUDENT MEDIA



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- Original live programming which includes documentaries produced by students and staff
- Empower users to present their ideas and views and inspire creativity and independent thinking through quality training and freedom of expression
- Reflect the connection UCC has with its students but also the individuality and independent voice that the students are encouraged to have at the station
- · Framework which helps students to think in an interdisciplinary fashion and to develop critical thinking in the context of their formal education

THE HUB >> UCC CAMPUS RADIO & STUDENT MEDIA



- New studios have wheelchair access and provision in the equipment specification and training for visually impaired broadcasters
- Over 50 regular volunteers actively taking part in programme production each week
- Provide opportunities to enhance communication skills and give everyone a platform to voice their ideas

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>> UCC CAMPUS RADIO & STUDENT MEDIA



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- Editorial student staff strive to perceive, pursue and present issues that affect the student community and society
- Hour-long programme conducted by, and with, students with disabilities and programmes that explore diversity and multiculturalism
- Enable students to develop their own sense of belonging to become critical, creative, liberated and active participants in the student community

THE HUB >> UCC CAMPUS RADIO & STUDENT MEDIA



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Trusted and informed voice for the student body of Cork
- · Medium for educational programming
- Active community relations programme for individuals and groups to present their ideas and views

THE HUB >> UCC CAMPUS RADIO & STUDENT MEDIA



DIGITALLY FLUENT

 Enable student producers to experiment with radio as a medium and gain fluency in the use of this technology



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- · 1:1 Career consultations and skilled support and interventions to enable students to explore independently and engage in critical and independent decision making.
- Facilitate Life Planning/action steps to enable students to acquire and develop career awareness, employability and graduate attributes/skills and ultimately make appropriate career decisions.



- Encourage students to engage in volunteering and UCC
 Works Programme
- Cultivate more world-ready, workready graduates who demonstrate awareness and understanding of social issues
- Encourage students to become actively involved in volunteering and active citizenship



EFFECTIVE, GLOBAL CITIZENS WHO RECOGNISE AND CHALLENGE INEQUALITY

- Prepare students to be world and work-ready to work in multicultural and international work environments
- Coach on interviews techniques that can translate and transfer internationally
- Deliver culture diversity awareness education through workshops, seminars and online platforms to facilitate students



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Facilitate creation of Personal Statements/CVs
- Facilitate self-evaluation in terms of interests/skills
- · Career Planning Workshops
- Professional Development Module for PhD students



- · Advice on how to create and optimise a LinkedIn profile
- Raise awareness on responsible and career savvy social media protocol
- · Prepare students for video interviews
- Inform students of the need to be digitally fluent in order to live, learn and lead in the digital age
- Raise awareness of importance of Eportfolio/micro credentials/ digital badges





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• Tips and Tricks section of website helps students make informed, independent decisions



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- Respect and Responsibility Campaign, through Campus Watch
- The UCC Student Rules enforce the need to be socially responsible both on campus and within the local community
- Know Your Rights section of the website provides students with key facts on their rights and responsibilities as tenants

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- Students who are active within the local community develop key skills to become effective global citizens
- Grant scheme will provide money to local community members to work alongside current students to help fix an issue and challenge inequalities within the community

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 Civic engagement research project, in collaboration with local residents and CARL office, to measure the social impact of 'studentification' in the local area

>> ACCOMMODATION & COMMUNITY LIFE



- Digital platform for student accommodation search
- Students are encouraged to become knowledgeable on accommodation issues via the office website

>> HEALTH & SAFETY FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES



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INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

 Encourage students to be co-creators and contribute to training on risk assessment and hazard reporting

>> HEALTH & SAFETY FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES



- Accident and Hazard (safety concern) reporting tool available to students
- Do risk assessments and deliver training to ensure the safety of students and other stakeholders
- Deliver Emergency First Aid sessions and train up multiple First Aiders
- Hands-only CPR day held in collaboration with UCC ASSERT and Irish Heart
- · Establishment of UCC Student Activity Safety Committee

>> HEALTH & SAFETY FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES



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- · Elements of safety training and event planning reference obligations under Employment Equality Act
- Communicate importance of making sure events are inclusive and not discriminatory
- Hazing included in training as a nonacceptable activity

>> HEALTH & SAFETY FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Deliver training on how to create risk assessments and safety statements
- Deliver training on how to evaluate risks and communicate relevant event safety info to all members of clubs and societies



>> HEALTH & SAFETY FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES



- · 24-7-365 online reporting tool available for the reporting of accidents and safety concerns
- Online survey of risk factors, a risk register and training needs analysis completed by clubs and societies
- Strong emphasis on student activity safety management system being data-driven







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INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- Instil confidence to express opinions and develop an openness and capacity to identify new ways of viewing and thinking about life and the world
- Foster a mindset of thinking outside the box
- Facilitate reflective and critical capacity

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- Promote responsibility for one's own life, health, wellbeing, safety and self-care
- Raise awareness of the need to be cognisant of the impact of one's behaviour on other people
- · Imbue a sense of social and moral responsibility
- Challenge anti-social behaviour and promote altruistic compassionate behaviour

>> STUDENT COUNSELLING & DEVELOPMENT



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- Deliver workshops on cross-cultural transition
- Staff receive expert training on working with gender issues and cross-cultural communication
- Highlight the need to respect other people's opinions and boundaries and to accept, value and embrace difference both in themselves and others

>> STUDENT COUNSELLING & DEVELOPMENT



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Throughout the therapeutic process, students create new goals, evaluate current ones and communicate skills and knowledge attained
- Deliver workshops on a wide range of topics including: anxiety management, psychological approaches to sleep, identifying and responding to students in distress, etc.

>> STUDENT COUNSELLING & DEVELOPMENT



- Students can avail of several online psychoeducational resources relating to Cognitive Behaviour Therapy, Dialectical Behaviour Therapy, TED talks, etc.
- Raise awareness of positive digital citizenship and wellbeing

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>> STUDENT HEALTH



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

Enhance individual student wellbeing and thus enable the development of sound bodies and sound minds



>> STUDENT HEALTH



- Proactive health promotion at faceto-face consultations in the area of harm reduction, sexual behaviour and alcohol substance and drugs use
- Promote positive sexual health and attitudes through STI screening and treatment service
- Campus-wide initiatives such as UCC Health Matters promote pro-social participation in making UCC a Healthy Campus
- REACT initiative (Responding to Excessive Alcohol Consumption in Third Level)

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· Close collaboration with the UCC EDI Unit

>> STUDENT HEALTH



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

 Supervision of Student and Practitioner-led research projects on issues affecting students' wellbeing and health

>> STUDENT HEALTH



DIGITALLY FLUENT

 Deliver Health Information across a number of platforms including web-based interventions and social media campaigns









>> STUDENTS' UNION



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INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

 Encourage students to actively reflect and provide feedback on what is happening around them in higher-level education

THE STUDENTS'
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>> STUDENTS' UNION



- Huge emphasis on improving student awareness, engagement and proactivity in areas such as:
 - Sustainability
 - Mental health
 - Financial wellbeing

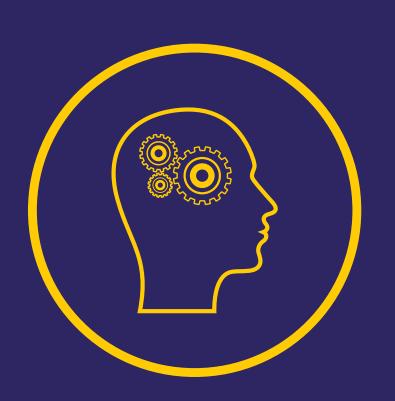
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- · Important role in challenging inequality at local and societal level
- Equality working group consists of 7 different officers who promote different strands of equality across campus

>> STUDENTS' UNION



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- · Work with students, class reps and crews who wish to actively engage and develop the student movement and their goals and motivations
- Act as a vehicle for students to bring forward their evaluations and thoughts on teaching and learning policy

>> STUDENTS' UNION



- · Raise awareness of student issues through social media platforms
- Represent student interests on the IT Steering Committee and the E-Learning Committee





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>> CLUBS/SPORTS & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



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>> CLUBS/SPORTS & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- Support competitive and high-performance athletes to think independently and creatively
- · Pride on our chest, belief in our heart, sport in our bones

>> CLUBS/SPORTS & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



- Inclusive agenda which promotes participation in sport by all students and staff at UCC
- Enhance the student experience while contributing to students' health and wellbeing, building life-wide skills as well as lifelong friendships
- UCC Sports Strategy is democratic in its appeal and inclusive in its draw

>> CLUBS/SPORTS & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



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- Sport is a powerful tool that brings people together to develop connections that transcend languages and cultural differences
- Democratise the power of sport in UCC and with our wider community
- · Many tribes, one team

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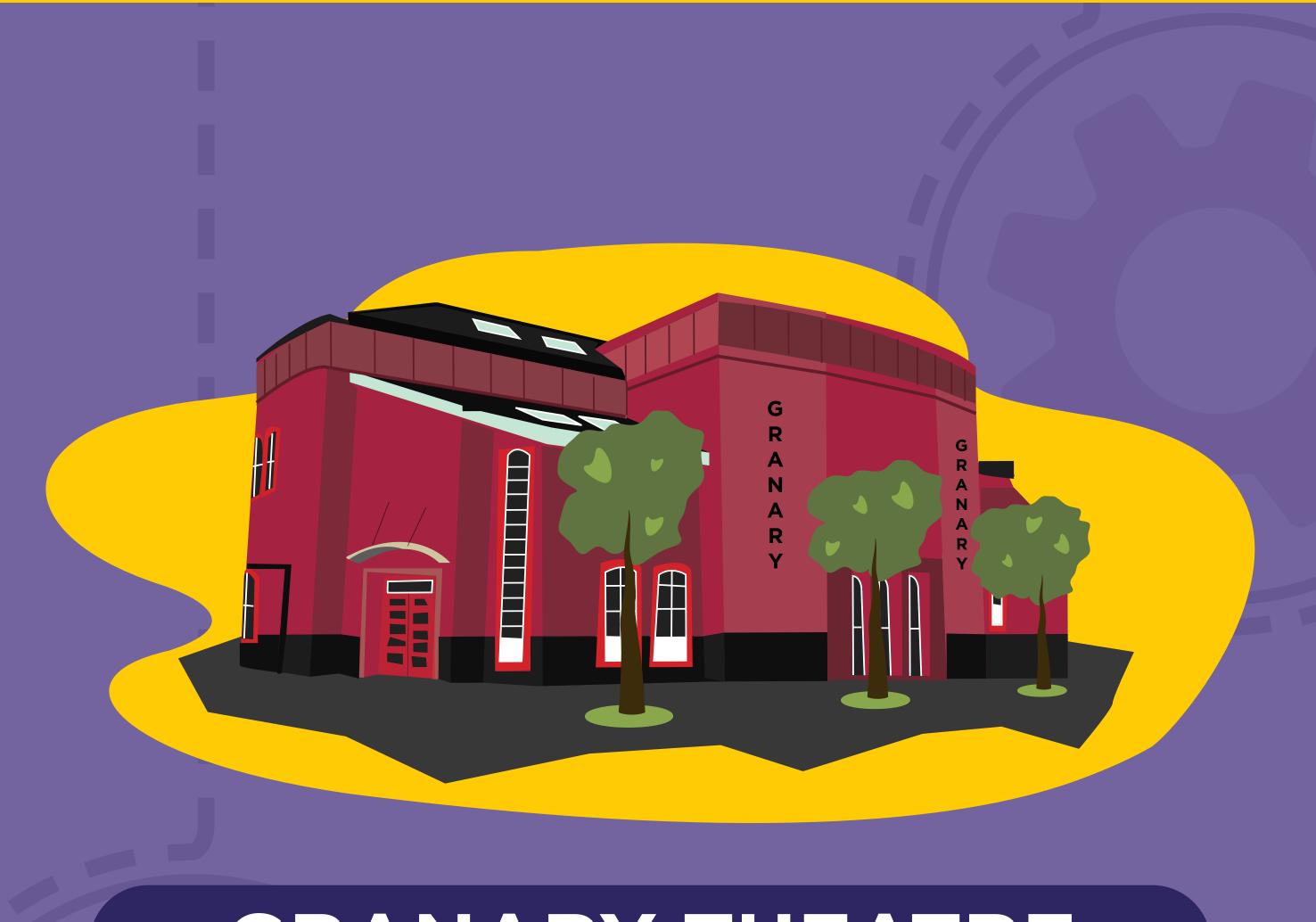
- The scholarship of sport pushes the boundaries of sport through education, research and innovation
- · UCC provides sports scholarships to over 90 students annually which is a vital support in the recognition, attraction, facilitation and co-creation of knowledge

>> CLUBS/SPORTS & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



- Communicate and celebrate individual and student team success via social media platforms
- Raise our profile, communicates and connect with our students, staff, partners and alumni in a rapidly changing digital and online sporting world
- #SIOB social badge for students, staff and alumni to wear with pride on all online







>> GRANARY THEATRE



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>> GRANARY THEATRE



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- · Students study, work and perform and contribute to debate and practice
- Mentorship programme for directors and designers to harness and cultivate independent and creative thinking
- Encourage new writing and provide a platform for small, independent theatre groups

>> GRANARY THEATRE



- Deliver instruction in live performance etiquette, both with the general public through box office training and all students through theatre training
- Seek to complement existing theatre/ arts programmes within the city and to offer opportunities for Cork-based artists to show work
- Provide opportunities for students to be civically engaged through collaborations with numerous arts and community organisations

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- · Melting pot for new ideas and experimental theatre
- Collaborate to raise awareness and support social justice events

NO IDEA IS TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL

>> GRANARY THEATRE



CREATORS, EVALUATORS AND COMMUNICATORS OF KNOWLEDGE

- Showcase new and experimental work in theatre, dance, performance and live art
- Enable UCC Theatre students, as well as local student groups, to create and communicate knowledge through an artistic medium



 Provide instruction on digital lighting and sound design and operation to students





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>> CHAPLAINCY



INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE THINKERS

- Discussion through a lens of faith offers independent and creative solutions
- A culture of 'wrestling with faith questions' fosters an analytical and unbiased mindset

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SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE

- · Facilitate discussions with members of the community (Cork Penny Dinners, the Staff LGBT Network, and a former professional footballer-turned priest) to offer students awareness of issues in the modern world and an idea of conversations to have or life paths to choose to help cultivate change, understanding and healing
- Events such as *Relay for Life* team, Christmas food collection, Charity Coffee Morning fundraising
- Offer alternative activities on walking retreats to accommodate students with disabilities and medical requirements

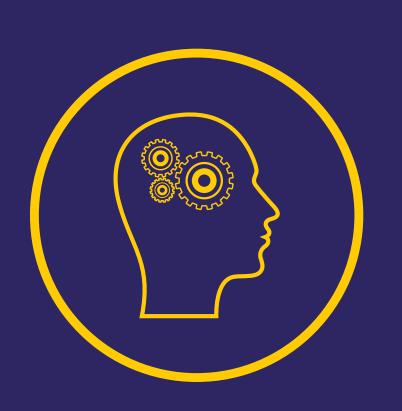
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- · Faith series on 'finding a voice'
- Publicly support initiatives that challenge inequality such as Refugee Week, Bystander Intervention Week, LGBT Society, Disability Support Services, etc.
- Annual international trip to a holy site allows inter-cultural skills and awareness to be developed

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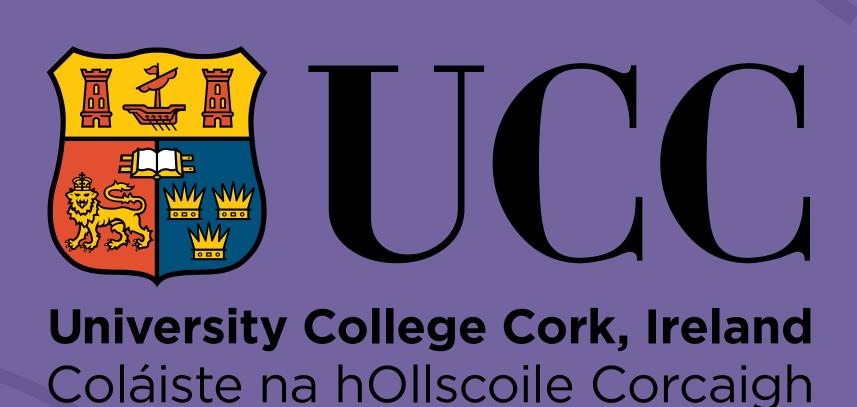
 In 1:1 meetings students can create new goals, evaluate current ones and/ or communicate knowledge attained



>> CHAPLAINCY



- Events and activities are publicised through WhatsApp, Facebook, Instagram, Google Forms, Mail Chimp and Canvas
- Moving towards digital-only to encourage fluency on such events as Relay for Life sign-ups
- · Faith resources on apps and websites





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