STUDENT VISA INFORMATION – IRELAND

ACADEMIC STUDIES ABROAD

U.S. Passport holders studying in Ireland for one semester and short programs under 90 days:

You must BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WITH YOU WHEN YOU FLY TO IRELAND and be prepared to present them when you pass through Immigration at the airport upon your first entry into Ireland. Using these documents, you will receive a 90-day stamp in your passport, which is called *Permission to Remain*:

1. **VALID** U.S. Passport: Must not expire for at least 6 months following your proposed date of return from Ireland.
2. PRINTED **Letter of Acceptance** from the Irish University. ASA will email this to you shortly before departure.
3. PRINTED **Evidence of Finances** for your stay in Ireland. The purpose is to show that you have money to support yourself while in Ireland. Semester students must bring 2 recent bank statements, FROM A BANK ACCOUNT IN YOUR OWN NAME, showing at least €833 per month of stay in Ireland. One bank statement must be less than 1 month old from your departure date. The other bank statement must be less than 6 months old from your departure date. Both statements must be from the same bank account. Be sure to also bring the debit/ATM card for that account with you. ***Check the current Euro to U.S. Dollar exchange rate prior to your departure at www.xe.com.***
4. PRINTED **Proof of Medical Insurance**: Print out your CISI Medical Insurance card and coverage description, which ASA will email to you shortly before departure.
5. PRINTED **Round-Trip Plane Ticket:** The Irish Immigration Officer may want to see proof that you plan to leave Ireland.

The Permission to Remain stamp is temporary – it lasts only 90 days.

SEMESTER students: Because your program is longer than 90 days, you will need to extend your Permission to Remain before it expires by registering with the ISD office in Dublin after arrival and obtaining Stamp 2 + Irish Residence Permit Card. (ISD = Immigration Service Delivery)

While the initial Permission to Remain stamp is free, the ISD charges **€300** for the Irish Residence Permit (but you won't pay this until your ISD appointment).

SEMESTER students: On arrival you will need to book an appointment with ISD to ensure you can attend before the end of your 90 days. https://portal.irishimmigration.ie/en/

Be prepared to travel into Dublin City (Burgh Quay, Dublin 2) to your appointment where you will present the following documents at your ISD appointment:

1. Your **Passport**
2. **Printed bank statement, less than 1 month old from your ISD registration date, FROM A BANK ACCOUNT IN YOUR OWN NAME**. Funds must exceed €833 per month of stay in Ireland (ex. # months in Ireland x €833) Check the Euro to U.S. Dollar exchange rate: www.xe.com.
3. **Printed bank statement, less than 6 months old from your ISD registration date, FROM THE SAME BANK ACCOUNT IN YOUR OWN NAME:** Funds must exceed €833 per month of stay in Ireland (ex. # months in Ireland x €833) Check the Euro to U.S. Dollar exchange rate: www.xe.com.
4. **Debit/ATM card linked to the same the bank account** for which you have provided the bank statements.
5. **Printed CISI Medical Insurance Card and coverage documentation showing amounts/limits/dates.**
6. **Irish University student ID card**: Will be issued after arrival
7. **Payment of €300 by credit or debit card:** Payment must be submitted during your ISD appointment by debit or credit card ONLY. Cash is NOT accepted.

NOTE: If you travel outside of Ireland before your ISD appointment date, you must ALWAYS bring the 5 documents listed at the top of this page (the ones required for Permission to Remain, that you brought for your first entry into Ireland). The universities abroad actually advise international students NOT to travel outside of Ireland until you have had your ISD appointment.

Visa requirements and procedures may differ for non-U.S. citizens.

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