



Government of Ireland International Scholarship

Scolaireachtaí Idirnáisiúnta Mhalartaithe Rialtais na hÉireann

Terms and conditions & Assessment Procedures

1. The Government of Ireland International Scholarships are awarded annually by the Department of Education and Skills of Ireland to enable high-calibre post-graduates to undertake study in Ireland.
2. The scholarship is tenable for a minimum period of one academic year (October - May) at one of the third level institution of education in Ireland listed in Appendix 1.
3. Successful candidates must maintain their principal residence in Ireland during the term of the Scholarship.
4. Successful candidates will be called “Government of Ireland International Scholars”. Their names, project details and photos may be used in publications and websites of the Department of Education and Skills and other Government of Ireland publications and websites.
5. The Department of Education and Skills will pay tuition and registration fees, up to a maximum fee limit of €12,750. The student will be responsible for travelling expenses to and from Ireland and within the country.
6. A scholarship allowance will be paid to the student to assist with accommodation costs. The value of the scholarship allowance is €4,721 which will be paid as monthly instalments - €590.12 for each month engaged in study in Ireland for a maximum period of eight months. Students who arrive later than 15th October will only be paid on a pro-rata basis for that month.

7. There is no age limit.
8. The scholarship is open to a third-level graduate of any faculty i.e. a student who holds a Bachelor degree or will have completed their degree course and obtained their results before the commencement of the 2011 -2012 academic year.
9. A good knowledge of English is necessary for all courses except in the case of Celtic Studies where students must also have a good knowledge of the Irish language.
10. The students will be selected by the competent national authority. This national authority will communicate the names and addresses of the successful applicants to the relevant Embassy of Ireland by 30 April 2011. The official application form completed in English should be used and must be accompanied by: -
 - a. Appropriately sealed and signed references from two academic referees;
 - b. Copies of degrees or diplomas/certificates of study setting out the results obtained by the student in each individual examination at their higher education institution;
 - c. Detailed curriculum vitae, including particulars of his/her studies in English;
 - d. Certificate of health;
 - e. Copy of Passport;
 - f. Letter of invitation from a host institution in Ireland (i.e. one of the institutions listed in appendix 1);
 - g. A detailed programme of study or research, which the student intends to pursue in Ireland, compiled in English by the student personally and clearly indicating his/her choice of institution. Please note that the student would need to contact the institution of his/her choice prior to applying for the scholarship to ensure that the course he/she requires is on offer.
 - h. A recognised certificate testifying the student's knowledge

of English and/or Irish;

11. At least two copies of the application form and all supporting documents must be submitted.
12. As soon as possible after the award has been made by the Irish authorities, the student should make contact with the International Section of the Department of Education and Skills, Marlborough St., Dublin 1 to indicate their date of arrival in Ireland.
13. The student must undertake to respect the prevailing regulations for students laid down by the authorities of the host institution.
14. Before leaving Ireland the student must submit a detailed report of his/her studies in Ireland to the Department of Education and Skills, Dublin.
15. It should also be noted that on completion of study or research in Ireland the scholarship holder will return to their home university for completion of their particular degree programme.
16. The student should cite the support of the Department of Education and Skills in his/her thesis and any publications.



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Appendix 1

List of higher education institutions approved for the Government of Ireland International Scholarship

Universities

University College, Dublin
University College, Cork
National University of Ireland, Galway
National University of Ireland, Maynooth
Trinity College Dublin
Dublin City University
University of Limerick

Third Level Colleges

National College of Art & Design Dublin
National College of Ireland Dublin
Royal College of Surgeons Ireland (*only for one-year postgraduate course, subject to the maximum fee limit set in the Terms and Conditions*)
Mater Dei Institute of Education
Mary Immaculate College Limerick
St. Patrick's College Drumcondra

Dublin Institute of Technology

DIT

Institutes of technology

Athlone Institute of Technology
Institute of Technology, Carlow
Cork Institute of Technology
Dublin Institute of Technology
Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology
Dundalk Institute of Technology
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology
Institute of Technology Blanchardstown
Institute of Technology Sligo
Institute of Technology Tralee
Institute of Technology Waterford
Letterkenny Institute of Technology
Limerick Institute of Technology
Tipperary Institute