

At a glance

University Facts & Figures

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We rank among the top %

of universities worldwide according to QS World University Rankings Since **2005** we have **opened**

16 buildings which has

transformed the campus and given students and staff access to the very best facilities and research In 2015/2016, the University had an **annual income** of

€218.5 million Over 90,000 alumni worldwide

of our researchers were named among the **World's Most Highly Cited Researchers 2016** by Clarivate We are **one of Ireland's top universities** for **graduate employability**, with over



of our graduates working or in further study within six months of graduating

Our prestigious history spans over 170 years. Signa 1. Vision & Mission
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Established in 1845, NUI Galway has a long history of innovation. While our buildings and campus might exude a sense of tradition, NUI Galway has never been conventional and we are always keen to adopt new ideas. VISION

NUI Galway will be a leading global university, renowned for our distinctive areas of research, recognised as an institution of choice for our teaching and scholarship, celebrated for our outstanding engagement with wider society, and enriched by a dynamic network of partnerships.

MISSION

To foster a vibrant community of students and staff, where distinguished learning, impactful research, and creative thinking are shared with the world.



NUI Galway's current strategy is available at: www.nuigalway.ie/vision2020



World Ranking

Since 2012, NUI Galway has been the only university in Ireland to rise consistently in the most competitive World University Rankings. Both the *Times Higher Education and QS World University Rankings* have placed the University in a higher position year-on-year.

The University rose 6 places in the **QS World University Ranking** in 2017 We rank among the

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WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

TOP 250

2018

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of **universities** worldwide according to QS World University Rankings

> We ranked in the top 250 World Universities in the **Times Higher Education** (THE) World University Rankings 2016/2017

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Our researchers are shaping the future.

Research Impact

The University has prioritised five cross-disciplinary research themes, building on international success to date.

These are:

Applied Social Sciences and Public Policy

Biomedical Science and Engineering

Environment, Marine and Energy

Humanities in Context, including Digital Humanities

Informatics, Data Analytics, Physical and Computational Sciences

NUI Galway's research is relevant to societal and economic needs. Its global reach is enhanced by the impact research is having in key areas of strength including:

Big Data: The Insight Centre for Data Analytics, with 350 researchers and more than 40 industry partners, is co-hosted by NUI Galway. It harnesses the power of data for many purposes, such as reducing energy consumption, maximising medical information or enhancing business performance.

Biomedical Science: Ireland's only facility for manufacturing adult stem cells for human trials is at NUI Galway. Through its clinical and translational research facility, co-located on hospital grounds beside the campus, biomedical research experts are advancing therapies for medical challenges such as stroke, Parkinson's disease, diabetes and cancer. Digital Humanities and Archives: NUI Galway is home to a wealth of archival material dating back to 1485. In the vanguard of digital humanities research, the University is home to the world's largest digital theatre archive, that of the Abbey Theatre.

Health Promotion: The Centre for Health Promotion Research, the only one of its kind in Ireland, has World Health Organisation (WHO) status for its role in health promotion education and research.

Human Rights and Equality: The Centre for Global Women's Studies is measuring the economic cost of violence against women and girls in countries around the world, while experts in international human rights law and disability law continue to inform policy at the highest levels.

Lifecourse: The Institute for Lifecourse and Society focuses on older people, children and families, and persons with disabilities. It is the first institution in Ireland to host a UNESCO Chair, advancing research and training in the areas of children, youth and civic engagement. Med-tech: Galway is one of five global hubs, in a medtech market worth €95 billion annually in the EU. The CÚRAM Centre for Medical Device Research, with 250 researchers and 24 industry partners, is based at NUI Galway and is creating the next generation of innovative medical technologies.



Sustainability: The Ryan Institute for Environmental, Marine and Energy Research is contributing to the understanding of environmental challenges and marine ecosystems, and developing solutions in renewable energy and waste treatment.

Irish Centre for Human Rights: Recognised among the world's leading experts in human rights law.

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Technology Transfer & Commercialisation

At NUI Galway we collaborate to innovate. We work with industry to share our expertise, technologies and facilities.

Our university attracts over €50 million annually in research. This level of activity generates many opportunities for collaboration with industry. 33

Spin-Outs in 10 years

364

collaborative R&D projects with industry partners in 10 years NUI Galway technologies licensed to new or existing companies annually

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Teaching & Learning

A distinguished university, NUI Galway offers a distinctive student experience. The University offers scholarships to first year students including: Excellence Scholarships; Creative Arts Performance Points; Sports Performance Points; and Elite Sports Scholarships.

The University student body is an international community drawing on expertise and cultural influences from nearly 110 different countries.

96%

NUI Galway is one of Ireland's top universities for graduate employability with 96% of our graduates employed or in further study within six months of graduating.

The University is leading the way in student volunteering and civic engagement.

| | 15,775 | 17,483 | 18,065 |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Undergraduate | 11081 | 12685 | 12825 |
| Postgraduate Taught | 2432 | 2325 | 2748 |
| Postgraduate Research | 1030 | 1223 | 1247 |
| Visiting/Erasmus | 1032 | 1011 | 1083 |
| Other | 200 | 239 | 162 |
| | 2007/8 | 2012/13 | 2016/17 |

More than 70% of our undergraduate degrees offer the possibility of work experience.

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Colleges and Schools

NUI Galway has 5 COLLEGES 16 SCHOOLS OVER 60 ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES

STAFF

NUI Galway is the second largest employer in Galway City with **2,617** staff.

| Academic Staff | 1,068 | |
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| Research Staff | 601 | |
| Administrative/Support Staff | 948 | |
| Total | 2,617 | |

College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Celtic Studies

- School of Education
- School of Geography and Archaeology
- School of Humanities
- School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
- School of Political Science and Sociology
- School of Psychology

College of Business, Public Policy and Law

- J.E. Cairnes School of Business and Economics
- School of Law

Shannon College of Hotel Management

College of Engineering and Informatics

4. College of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences

- School of Health Sciences
- School of Medicine
- School of Nursing and Midwifery

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College of Science

- School of Chemistry
- School of Mathematics, Statistics, and Applied Mathematics
- School of Natural Sciences
- School of Physics

Acadamh na hOllscolaíochta Gaeilge

Centre for Adult Learning and Professional Development



An Ghaeilge ar an gCampas

Is lárionad d'imeachtaí Gaeilge an champais é Áras na Gaeilge agus áiseanna den scoth le fáil ann.



Tá campais sheachtracha againn sna pobail Ghaeltachta ar an gCeathrú Rua, i gCarna agus i nGaoth Dobhair

Cuireann Ollscoil na hÉireann Gaillimh cláir uathúla Ghaeilge ar fáil san aistriúchán, san ateangaireacht, san oideachas, sa chumarsáid agus i léann agus i dteagasc na Gaeilge.

Tá líon mór clár páirtaimseartha Gaeilge ar fáil tríd an bhfoghlaim chumaisc.

Tá saineolas ar leith ag an Ollscoil i réimse na sochtheangeolaíochta agus na cartlannaíochta digití.

10% Tá 10% de mhic léinn na hOllscoile ag déanamh staidéir ar an nGaeilge nó trí mheán na Gaeilge.

The University's proximity to the Connemara Gaeltacht – the largest Irish-speaking region – enables it to support the educational, economic and cultural needs of Irishspeaking communities in the Gaeltacht and around the world. The University offers a bilingual environment where the Irish language is regularly used in academic and social life on campus.

> na hOilscolaíoch. Gaeilge is fearr rith maith tá drochsheasamh!

Sport

Sport is central to life at NUI Galway, and our sporting facilities are some of the best of any Irish university. We have fostered national champions and Internationals in Rugby, Rowing, Boxing, Swimming, Basketball, Athletics, Windsurfing, Climbing and Sailing amongst others.

Our athletes have achieved recognition in their chosen sports at Olympic Games, World Championships, University World Championships, European Champions, and Rugby Six Nations and as intercounty players in all five codes of Gaelic sport. Clubs at NUI Galway include 27 Olympic sports, indoor and outdoor team sports, a full range of water sports, adventure, recreational and snow sports. From rowing to water polo, mountaineering to scuba-diving, ultimate Frisbee to 5-aside soccer, there is a club for everyone at NUI Galway.

> NUI Galway's elite sports programme for talented athletes includes coaching, access to our elite sports gym, and a package of sports supports.

NUI Galway rewards exceptional athletes, applying for undergraduate courses, with 40 CAO Performance Points.

A generous sports scholarships programme to help students with outstanding potential to achieve their goals, both in their sporting and academic careers.

Creative Arts

NUI Galway has an excellent reputation for supporting and developing the creative arts. The University is home to a unique campus-based active arts environment.

The University has a number of strategic partnerships with arts organisations at a local, regional and national level, including the Abbey Theatre, Ireland's National Theatre, Gate Theatre, Druid Theatre Company, An Taibhdhearc: the Irish language National Theatre, and the Galway International Arts Festival

The O'Donoghue Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance is home for our student drama productions, and a range of productions by touring theatre and dance companies

The Arts Office hosts the Múscailt arts festival each spring, bringing new and original art, music, performance and spectacle to campus, while the Arts in Action series provides free weekly performances on campus throughout the academic year The arts post film, arts

The University offers a range of creative arts programmes at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, in drama and theatre, film, creative writing, digital media, and arts policy and practice

NUI Galway was a strong supporter of Galway's successful bid to become European Capital of Culture, and the University is playing a key role in the Galway 2020 arts programme

NUI Galway is home to a growing collection of archives from some of the most iconic cultural icons: including filmmaker, John Huston; writer, John McGahern; playwright, Thomas Kilroy; and the Druid, Gate, Lyric and Taibhdhearc theatre archives. Our project to digitise the Abbey Theatre's archive is the largest of its kind in the world

The University supports a number of revolving creative residencies, including writers-in-residence, dancers-in-residence and sean-nós singers/dancers-in-residence

The University's art collection comprises over **500** pieces dotted across the campus. You can browse the entire collection at: **www.nuigalway.ie/artcollection**



NUI Galway Community

Today, the graduate body of over 90,000 alumni constitutes a network of real importance for the University. We value our graduates and alumni community as a collective of individuals who can engage with, and lend their advocacy and support to, the development of NUI Galway. This vibrant network is active in over 100 countries around the world. NUI Galway's community includes:



GARRY HYNES, Founder and Director, Druid Theatre Company



OLIVE LOUGHNANE, World Championships Gold medallist



MICHAEL D HIGGINS, President of Ireland



IRIAL FINAN, Vice-President Coca Cola



EOGHAN CLIFFORD, Paralympic Gold medallist & Member of Engineering Faculty



MÁIRE GEOGHEGAN-QUINN, Former European Commissioner

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Location

Galway City, located on the West Coast of Ireland, sits on the River Corrib between Lough Corrib and Galway Bay and has a population of approx. 75,500. Galway is a vibrant, cosmopolitan city steeped in culture, rich in folklore and famous for its cobble-stoned streets, quaint shops and charming restaurants. Known as Ireland's cultural heart, Galway is renowned for its vibrant lifestyle and numerous festivals, celebrations and events.



A UNESCO City of Film and home to the world-renowned Druid Theatre Company, Macnas Street Theatre Company and An Taibhdhearc, there is much to do in this wonderful city that has recently been designated the European Capital of Culture 2020.

Galway City is a gateway to the rural landscape of Connemara and Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way. The landscape leaves one breathless, from the prehistoric fort of Dun Aengus, to the Burren, an area of beautiful limestone landscapes in nearby County Clare.

The medical technology sector in Ireland is recognised as one of the five global emerging hubs and Galway is at the very heart of this development. As many as 18 of the world's top 25 medical technology companies have a base in Ireland and 50% of the 450 med-tech companies based here are indigenous.



Galway city has experienced very rapid growth in recent years and has a strong local economy with complementary business sectors, including manufacturing industry, tourism, retail and distribution, education, healthcare and services that include financial, construction, cultural, and professional. In particular, Galway, and the west of Ireland, is recognised as a high-tech industry centre, for medical technology, manufacturing and information technology.

A truly international University

From our position on the Atlantic edge of Europe, we have a proud history of reaching out and connecting with the world.

Our student body is international with 110 countries represented. We continue to develop high-level strategic partnerships with chosen international universities, in pursuit of a suite of intensive institutional partnerships that is geographically and academically diverse.





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