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# UNIVERSITY of LIMERICK

# History

• Established as the National Institute for Higher Education (NIHE) in 1972

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• Awarded university status in 1989

# President

• Professor Don Barry

# **Students**

- Total number of students: 11,638
- Undergraduate: 9,250
- Postgraduate: 2,388

### Staff

• 1,313 staff

### Campus

- Green Campus 133 hectares located beside River Shannon
- 5km outside Limerick city
- 30 minutes from Shannon International Airport
- On-campus accommodation for over 2,000 students

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# **Key Research Areas**

- Materials and Surface Science
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Bioengineering and Biosciences
- Energy and Sustainable Environment
- Applied Mathematics
- Study of Knowledge in Society

The University of Limerick (UL) is an independent, internationally focused university with over 11,000 students and 1,313 staff. The University has a proud record of innovation in education and excellence in research and scholarship.

UL offers **72 undergraduate** programmes and **103 taught postgraduate programmes** across four faculties:

- Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences;
- Education and Health Sciences;
- Kemmy Business School;
- Science and Engineering.

With the River Shannon as a unifying focal point, the University is situated on a superb 133-hectare campus. Outstanding recreational, cultural and sporting facilities further enhance this exceptional learning and working environment. The campus is located 5km from Limerick city and 20km from Shannon International Airport.

UL has close links with industry from undergraduate to postdoctoral level. The University runs one of the largest cooperative education (internship) programmes in the European Union. Cooperative education at UL is undertaken as an integral part of the academic programme. UL has an established network of over 1,700 cooperative education employers, and 2,000 undergraduate placements are secured annually in industry, commerce and the public service. Students are placed in Ireland and internationally, primarily in North America, Europe and South East Asia. Employer contributions to the programme amount to €20 million annually.

The University of Limerick has established its research distinctiveness through promoting a research ethos characterised by the convergence of discrete disciplines working together to achieve fundamental breakthroughs. The following priority areas have been identified:

- Materials and Surface Science
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Bioengineering and Biosciences

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- Applied Mathematics
- Study of Knowledge in Society

The University currently has four internationally recognised research institutes: Materials and Surface Science Institute; Stokes Institute; Lero – Irish Software Engineering Research Centre; and Institute for the Study of Knowledge in Society. These multidisciplinary institutes offer a wide range of opportunities at masters, PhD and postdoctoral level.

In February 2010, the University and NUI Galway announced a strategic alliance. The institution-wide alliance will work across all areas of activity at UL and NUI Galway, including teaching, technology transfer, lifelong learning and the provision of services. Exciting new initiatives include a unique 'Link to Learn' student exchange programme, which will enable students at either university to choose modules from the other institution as part of their programme of study. The alliance also includes a unique partnership between UL and NUI Galway with the Georgia Institute of Technology, USA for the purpose of developing a joint Translational Research Institute. The Translational Research Institute will focus on the development and synergy of core technologies and expertise within the partner institutions with a view to providing Irish industries with relevant and world-class research solutions.

### **Top Reason to Choose UL**

### **Our Students Get Jobs**

# "UL graduates enjoy an employment rate 8% higher than the national average for all other Irish graduates"

Source: Higher Education Authority, 2010

#### The employment rate of UL graduates is 8% higher than the national

**average.** The prestige of a UL degree is recognized by employers, therefore the major graduate employers deliberately target graduates from UL. Our alumni are among the most influential thinkers, business leaders, artists, scientists, engineers and teachers in Ireland and throughout the world. Our graduates have found employment with Google, Intel, Airbus, TV3 and the IRFU (Irish Rugby Football Union).

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# **Campus view**



# Postgraduate

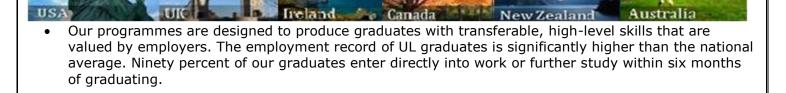
- The University of Limerick offers over 90 taught postgraduate programmes across four faculties Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences;
- Business;
- Education & Health Sciences;
- Science & Engineering.

Taught programmes include graduate diplomas (duration: 9 months) and master's (duration: 12 months).

- Qualifications offered include: Graduate Diploma (Grad Dip), Master of Arts (MA), Master of Science (MSc), Master of Laws (LLM), Master of Business Studies (MBS), Professional Doctorate Clinical Psychology (DclinPsych), Master of Engineering (MEng), Master of Technology (MTech) and Master of Education (MEd). Take a look at the <u>Graduate School website</u> for more information.
- A taught programme involves attending lectures and tutorials. Students are also required to submit essays or projects during the year. This is usually followed by independent research where the student writes a minor research dissertation on a specific topic.

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### **Taught Postgraduate Entry Requirements**

- A four-year or three-year honours degree in a relevant discipline from a first-level university. Firstdivision results are required with a minimum overall grade of 60%.
- Particular programmes may require an interview and/or work experience.
- TOEFL :80 (internet-based Test)
- IELTS

Business, Education and Humanities: Composite score in the range of 6.5-7 and not lower than 6 in any band.

Science, Engineering and Informatics & Electronics: 6-6.5 and not lower than 6 in any band.

# **How to Apply**

# All Full-time Applicants (Post Graduate)

### Student intake occurs in September of every year.

#### What to include with your application:

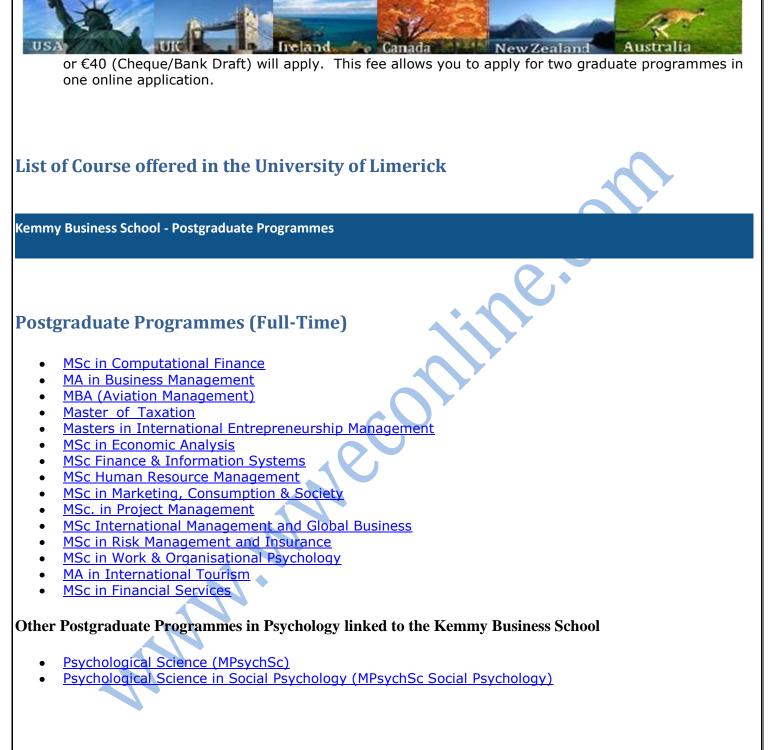
- Certified results for all examinations mentioned on your application form and/or confirmation of the award of your qualification(s)
- Certified English language translation of results
- Evidence of English language proficiency

### Application deadline for full-time students: July 1<sup>st</sup>

- You are advised to apply early the closing date for some postgraduate programmes is earlier than July 1st. This is usually highlighted in the <u>online postgraduate prospectus</u>. Students can also contact the International Office for clarification.
- Use the online application system to apply for graduate programmes. To apply online, you need to select the postgraduate programme you are interested in from the <u>online postgraduate</u> <u>prospectus</u>. From 24 January 2011 an application fee of €35 (electronic transfer)

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- Advanced Materials Grad Dip, MSc(FT)
- <u>Aeronautical Engineering MEng, (FT)</u>
- Applied Physics MSc (FT)
- <u>Biomedical Engineering MSc(FT)</u>
- <u>Chemical Engineering Grad Dip (FT)</u>
- <u>Computer Aided Engineering Product Design Grad Dip, MTech (FT)</u>
- <u>Computer Aided Enterprise Performance Modelling Grad Dip, MTech (FT/PT)</u>
- <u>Computer and Communications Systems MEng (FT/PT)</u>
- <u>Computer Engineering Grad Dip, MEng (FT)</u>
- <u>Computing Grad Dip (FT)</u>
- <u>Health Informatics MSc (FT)</u>
- Information and Network Security MEng (FT)
- Interactive Media MA, MSc (FT)
- <u>Mathematical Modelling MSc (FT)</u>
- <u>Mechanical Engineering MEng (FT)</u>
- Multilingual <u>Computing and Localisation MSc (FT/PT)</u>
- <u>Music Technology MSc , MA (FT)</u>
- Quality Management Grad Dip MSc (FT)
- Safety and Ergonomics Grad Dip, MTech (PT)
- <u>Software Engineering MSc (FT/PT)</u>
- <u>Software Engineering & Entrepreneurship Management MSc (FT)</u>
- Sustainable Resource Management: Policy & Practice (MSc)
- <u>VLSI Systems MEng (FT/PT)</u>

# **Graduate Research**

The University of Limerick is highly regarded for conducting leading-edge research in key areas such as information and communication technologies, materials and surface science, biosciences, environment & bioengineering and humanities & social sciences. Research income has increased by 300% in the last five years and the number of PhD students has more than doubled during this period. The strategic plan for the future development of the University includes substantial expansion of research activity and envisages investment of over €130 million on research infrastructure.

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In addition to 36 research centres based across the faculties, UL has four world-class centres of excellence. These multidisciplinary research institutes offer an extensive range of graduate research opportunities. The Graduate Research Brochure provides an overview of the research activity within the University from both a faculty and student perspective.

#### **Graduate Research Brochure**

#### MSSI - Materials and Surface Science Institute

**Research Focus** 

- Nanomaterials
- Bio/catalysis and Clean Technology
- Composite and Glass Technology
- Biomaterials

#### Stokes Research Institute

**Research Focus** 

- Biofluidics (Cancer diagnostics)
- Micromechanical (Test & Reliability) (ICT).

### Lero - The Irish Software Engineering Centre

**Research Focus** 

- Autonomic Software Systems
- Globally Distributed Software Development
- Mathematics Applied to Software Engineering
- Service & Aspect-based Component Architectures
- Software Product Lines

### Institute for the Study of Knowledge in Society

**Research Focus** 

- Humanities
- Social Sciences

### Graduate Research in the Faculties

Information on current research activities in the Faculties may be found below. <u>Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences</u> <u>Kemmy Business School</u> <u>Education & Health Sciences</u> <u>Science & Engineering</u>

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### **Structured PhD Programmes**

The University's first structured PhD programme, in Software Engineering will commence in September 2008. This is a four year PhD programme provided by Lero Graduate School and its partners (DCU, TCD and UCD). The programme is an innovative mix of taught modules and significant individual research. During the first year of the programme students will be offered taught modules in research theory and practice and technical software engineering modules. During the following three years students will work on an individual research project. Transferab

# **Faculty of Science and Engineering Scholarships**

A number of generous scholarships are available to full-time non-EU Postgraduate in the Faculty of Science and Engineering for 2012/13. A **50% fee scholarship** is available to Postgraduate students for the duration of their one-year programme. Scholarships are available for the following programmes:

- MSc in Applied Physics
- Grad Dip/MSc in Quality Management
- Grad Dip/MSc in Advanced Materials
- Grad Dip/MTech in Computer Aided Engineering Product Design
- Grad Dip in Chemical Engineering
- MEng in Computer and Communications Systems
- MEng VLSI Systems
- Grad Dip/MEng in Computer Engineering
- MEng in Information and Network Security
- Grad Dip in Computing
- MSc/MA in Interactive Media
- MSc/MA in Music Technology
- <u>MSc in Software Engineering</u>
- <u>MSc in Global Computing and Localisation</u>
- <u>MEng in Aeronautical Engineering</u>
- MSc in Mathematical Modelling
- <u>MEng in Mechanical Engineering</u>
- <u>MSc Health Informatics</u>
- <u>MSc Sustainable Resource Management: Policy and Practice</u>

Students do not apply for the scholarship, once they apply for any of the above programmes they will be automatically considered for scholarship. For further information please contact Worldwide Edu Consultants (or) email us at <u>Ireland@wweconline.com</u>.

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# Top 10 Reasons to Choose UL:

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# 1. Our Students Get Jobs

The employment rate of UL graduates is 8% higher than the national average.

http://www.ul.ie/careers

# 2. Paid Work Experience

"Co-op" facilitates the career development of UL students as an integral part of their academic programme.

www.ul.ie/coop

# **3. Ireland's Sporting Campus**

Sport is synonymous with the very fabric of Limerick. Limerick is home to Munster Rugby.

www.universityarena.com

# 4. UL Suports You

UL is more than a university - it's your home as you embark on a journey of discovery.

www.ul.ie/access

# 5. First Seven Weeks Programme

Our student retention rate is 9% higher than the majority of other higher education institutions in Ireland\*.

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### 6. Your Money Goes Further at UL

Due to our location, the costs of living and socialising in Limerick are arguably lower than in many other parts of the country.

www.ul.ie/experience

# 7. We Want You to Get a Better Job with Better Pay

UL continues to respond to the needs of industry and the interests of our students by adding new academic programmes.

www.ul.ie/courses

### 8. Our Staff Want to Help You

All our programmes are taught exclusively by experienced academic staff and many have been awarded prizes for Excellence in Teaching.

### 9. The UL Experience

Fantastic amenities, student organisations, campus events, live bands, DJs, comedians, sports facilities, good food and friends...

www.clubsandsocs.ul.ie

### **10. On-campus Accommodation**

UL provides more on-campus accommodation than any other university in Ireland. We have 5 purpose-built student villages providing 2400 rooms on campus.

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