



National University of Ireland, Galway Housing Information

There are three housing options for students studying at the National University of Ireland, Galway: Off-Campus housing (flats), living in an Irish household, or making your own independent living arrangements.

Off-Campus Housing

Arcadia University arranges to have all of our NUIG students housed at Gort na Coiribe. Students reside in townhouse style flats or apartment style flats with other American students and Irish students. The number of residents may vary from three to eight, depending on the style of accommodation. Students should anticipate having to share a room.

Gort na Coiribe is self-catered; there is no meal plan available at NUI Galway. Students should anticipate preparing their own meals and shopping at conveniently nearby markets.

Each flat has a fully equipped kitchen, shared bathrooms and living area, with television and modern amenities. Self-service laundry facilities are available within the complex. Telephones are located in every flat for house to house calls only; calling cards for accessing local and long distance calls are available at Gort na Coiribe reception.

Gort na Coiribe provides free broadband internet access to all residences. Limitations may be placed on connection by the Gort na Coiribe management.

Students' flats may be co-ed, however any individual roommate will be of the same gender. Arcadia cannot guarantee non-smoking arrangements; students with serious health concerns should notify Arcadia University during the application process.

Arcadia University will provide each student with a duvet and pillow. Students are responsible for bed linens, duvet cover, and bath towels; because bed sizes vary in each flat and room it is recommended that students purchase their linens after they have arrived. The Arcadia Dublin staff can help students purchase linens. Students intending to bring linens should bring a single flat sheet and single duvet cover.

The flats are located equidistant from the Galway city centre and NUI Galway. Students should expect a 15-20 minute commute (walking) to Eyre Square and campus. More information is available online at www.gortnacoiribe.ie.

Living in an Irish Household

Students may choose to live in an Irish household for the semester or academic year. Arcadia University works closely with Experiment in International Living (EIL) to place students in carefully screened homes. These families or individuals are accustomed to hosting American students and will provide two meals per day (breakfast and dinner). Bed linens and towels are also supplied by the host.

Students should expect to live outside of the Galway city centre and may be required to commute as much as forty minutes each way.

Please note: Since meals are not included in our program fee, we will bill you separately after the beginning of your program. During the 2005-06 academic year, the meal surcharge for the semester was \$800. Further information about living in an Irish household can be found in the pre-departure guide section of this website.

Independent Living Arrangements

Students may choose to make their own housing arrangements. The housing portion of the program fee will be refunded to students who arrange to live independently. Students must notify us in writing by June 30 for the fall semester and by November 20 for the spring program. The decision to make independent housing arrangements becomes final after the aforementioned dates; late requests for program housing cannot be considered.

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Housing Preference Form



Please return this form to our office:

Arcadia University Center for Education Abroad, 450 S. Easton Road, Glenside PA 19038 Fax no. (215) 572-2174

Name: _____ Sex: Male/Female

Home College: _____

College Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Term of Study: Fall Spring Year (circle one)

Please select your housing preference:

____ Off-Campus Housing (Gort na Coiribe)

*If you have a **mutual agreement** to share a room with another participant, list his/her name here:*

____ Living in an Irish household (Additional \$800 meal costs apply per semester)

____ Independent housing arrangements

Do you smoke? YES/ NO

Do you object to being housed with smokers? YES/NO

Arcadia University cannot guarantee non-smoking accommodations. If you have major health concerns, you must notify us in writing immediately.

Please circle any term that applies to you:

Extroverted Introverted Quiet Noisy Tidy Untidy Morning-person Night-owl Shy Outgoing
Impulsive Organized Procrastinator Planner Studious Religious Picky-eater Vegetarian Athletic Artistic
Routine-oriented Spontaneous Easily stressed Easy-going

Other(s): _____

What types of special interests, hobbies, sports, entertainment, etc. do you enjoy?

Do you have any allergies, medical or psychological conditions that may affect your housing assignment? If YES, please attach a separate letter indicating your condition(s).

I have read and do understand the housing information for the NUI Galway program and I agree to all the terms and conditions regarding my housing options. I understand and accept the [Arcadia University Housing Policy](#).

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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