



ERASMUS+ STUDIES - UU Report

Every student receiving an Erasmus+ STUDIES grant has to submit a UU report as well. Writing the UU report is one of the university's conditions to receive and keep the grant. Only after submitting this report your Erasmus+ grant will be awarded definitively.

Your report will be **published** (anonymously!) on the [UU study abroad destinations webpage](#) to inform UU students preparing an exchange or research period abroad. Not all of them are Dutch-speaking, therefore we prefer to receive reports **written in English**.

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family name*	
first name*	
student number*	
permission to publish contact details**	<i>optional; only if you allow students preparing for study abroad to contact you (directly)</i>
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<i>See end note for * and **</i>	
faculty/college	Utrecht University Geosciences
level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> bachelor's <input type="checkbox"/> master's <input type="checkbox"/> PhD
name study programme	Sociale Geografie en Planologie

destination city & country	Dublin, Ierland
how did you travel to your destination?	By plane
name university abroad	Trinity College
start date	03 / 09 / 2022 (dd/mm/yyyy)
end date	21 / 12 / 2022 (dd/mm/yyyy)

You are requested to write on the following topics. Text boxes will expand automatically while typing!

PREPARATION	
exchange application process	In my experience the application process was pretty straightforward. The deadlines stated by Utrecht University are self explanatory and eventhough they are quite early there are enough recources to be able to complete your application process
counselling & support at Utrecht University	In my opinion there was sufficient support at the UU for the more practical information. However I expected some more in depth support about the destinations and guidance on how to figure out what different kinds op



destinations have to offer.
academic preparation
I was a fourth year student during my exchange I had completed most of my bachelor so I felt confident in my academic level
language preparation
I did not really feel the need to prepare language wise. I knew I met the language requirements of the visiting university and I had followed some courses in English so my academic English was up to standards.
finances
I saved some money beforehand to be able to live comfortably during my exchange. I also made a budget including the grants and study loans.

STUDY ABROAD PERIOD	
study programme (content and organisational issues)	The study programme met my expectations. The university offered a lot of different modules of which you could pick from within my major as well as electives. The organisation at start was a bit messy as during the first week it was unclear in what modules I was enrolled.
academic quality of education activities	The academic quality was good it felt similar to the level of education at the UU
counselling & support at receiving university abroad	At Trinity I was assigned a tutor who helped was able to answer all my questions about the university and other queries
transfer of credits	-

STUDENT LIFE	
welcome & orientation programme	During the first week there were orientation meetings every morning providing practical and cultural information. There was also a meeting with student mentor who showed you around on campus. The orientation was mostly about providing information not really social events
accommodation	Looking for accommodation in Dublin is quite difficult, there is a limited amount of space and the demand is high. Make sure to get a bit of an understanding about the possibilities and contact people who might know someone in Dublin as it is the easiest to find accommodation through an acquaintance.
leisure & culture	Dublin is very rich in culture and history there are many museums which often are free for students. It is also quite easy to go into nature and hike.
suggestions/tips	Join societies, there are many all with different activities. It is a good way to meet people and to see the rest of the country.

CONCLUSIONS



would you recommend this university/destination abroad to others? please explain

Yes I would recommend the university/ destination. Eventhough it is an european destination the Irish culture is truly very interesting and unique aswell as the landscapes.

do you have any additional advice or comments?

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Save this UU report for your own records and upload the report in your Erasmus+ file/application in Osiris within 30 days after finishing your study abroad period and in ANY case before the final deadline!

NOTE: Please upload in Word (.docx) so we can delete your *personal details between processing for grant purposes and publication on the website for future UU exchange students. **Contact details will only be included if and where permission has been given.