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FACT SHEET
2025-2026

Alan Aylward
Inward Exchange Coordinator

• EU/non-EU incoming exchange students
• Renewal of inter-institutional agreements

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• Outgoing exchange students
• Staff mobility
• New inter-institutional agreements

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Explore County Waterford's historic city, the oldest in Ireland, and delve into Waterford City's Viking District.
As night falls, uncover a modern urban centre teeming with vibrant restaurants and bars.

- Waterford is vibrant, filled with historic sites, the celebrated Waterford Greenway and the stunning coastline is awarded with UNESCO Global Geopark status.

- It is a safe and welcoming student-friendly city with a compact city centre where you can go everywhere by foot or bicycle and with good public transport and no pollution or traffic problems.

- Great shopping, cultural events and festivals.

- The city is awarded Purple Flag status, a Gold Standard accreditation recognising Waterford city as a safe, vibrant, and welcoming destination for residents and visitors.

Visit Waterford [website](#) for more information on experiencing the magic of Waterford

2025-2026 SETU WATERFORD ACADEMIC CALENDAR

AUTUMN SEMESTER
September to December 2025
Start of term:
Wednesday 10th September

SPRING SEMESTER
January to May 2026
Start of term:
Monday 05th January

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STUDENT NOMINATIONS & APPLICATION DEADLINES

SEMESTER 1 (September – December 2025)
Partner nominations: 15 April
Student application: 15 May

SEMSTER 2 (January 2026 – May 2026)
Partner nomination: 02 October
Student application: 16 October

Please email studentexchange.WD@setu.ie
to request a nomination form.
**Please be advised we are unable to accept
late nominations or applications**

After the nomination has been received and
approved, students will be emailed with the
following information:
• An official offer for a place on the Erasmus+
  programme at SETU Waterford and information
  on preparing for life in Waterford
• Subject Guide – listing of available modules (under the inter-institutional
  agreement)
• Instructions on how to complete the online application form
• List of the document's students need to submit to complete the online
  application

Required Application Documents:
• PDF scan of passport: the page with the passport number and photograph
• Signed, stamped and dated learning agreement

HEALTH & TRAVEL INSURANCE

All exchange students coming to SETU Waterford are advised to take out
comprehensive health and travel insurance before coming to Ireland.
Private health and travel insurance may be obtained either from the student's
home country or from an Irish provider.
Students should be advised that participation in the Erasmus+ programme
abroad involves certain inherent risks which the exchange student must assume.
The risks associated include,but are not limited to, responsibility for damage to
or loss of property, personal illness or injury and death while the exchange
student is a participant in the programme.
Although SETU Waterford takes all necessary steps to mitigate these risks and
to provide assistance in time of need, the student must take responsibility for
ensuring personal safety and security during the study placement.
Students must assume responsibility for taking out adequate personal
travel and health insurance.

Some of the main health insurance providers that operate in the Irish
market are as follows but we suggest that students review and select
their insurance provider themselves.

• Study & Protect
• Halligan Insurances
• Vhi International Students
• Laya Healthcare
• Irish Life Health Insurance

STUDY PROGRAMME

Module Selection
Exchange students may select modules from the SETU Waterford ECTS Module Guides only. The SETU Waterford ECTS Module Guides can be found [here](#). The maximum number of ECTS credits students can study per semester is 30 and the minimum is 15. The majority of modules at SETU Waterford are worth 5 ECTS. Modules have between 3-4 hours of classes each week.
I**MPORTANT**: Module availability is subject to capacity.
Please be advised that [timetables](#) are released at the start of the semester. Please note; during orientation there will be a mandatory session for students on how to create a specific timetable.

English Language Requirements
Exchange students are not required to submit proof of their English language proficiency. Partner institutions are expected to select students who have the required standard of English as set out in our inter-institutional agreement.
Please note; non-EU citizens that require a study visa may be required to show proof of English Language proficiency when applying for a study visa to study in Ireland. Check [here](#) for further information.

English Language Modules for Exchange Students
SETU Waterford offers three English language modules worth 5 ECTS each at the following levels:
• B2
• C1.1
• C1.2

I**MPORTANT**: Please be advised we cannot guarantee classes are scheduled every semester due to resource limitations. If they are scheduled, the student will be advised of this during the induction programme. Places are limited and cannot be guaranteed and are awarded on a first come first serve basis.

Students can attend **one** level only and they are required to attend all 3 hours of classes per week.

Exam and Assessment Registration
Students are generally given two weeks from the start of semester before a "Module Registration Form" must be submitted to the Office for International Relations. This form is provided to the Examinations and Registry Departments to register the student for exams. Exam timetables are released between 4-6 weeks prior to the exams.

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STUDENT AND STUDY SUPPORTS

MOODLE - VIRTUAL ONLINE LEARNING

Moodle functionality includes content management, email, discussion, calendar, and chat room to enhance teacher-to-student communication. It is intended to compliment and enhance face-to-face lecturing in SETU.

You will receive more details on accessing Moodle after Registration when classes commence.

UNI-LIFE

We're excited to invite you to Uni-Life, the new student platform of South East Technological University designed to help you connect, explore events, and make the most of your student experience!

Getting started is easy:
1. Download the Uni-Life app from the **App Store or Google Play**
2. Select South East Technological University from the list
3. Enter the access code: **XVGJRAWTNEKQ**

It only takes a minute to join — and it's the easiest way to feel part of the community of South East Technological University even before you arrive.

Now, all students who create an account in the app before 1st of September have a chance to winone €250 Amazon gift card!

STUDENT SUPPORTS

For more information on student supports such as English language classes, sport clubs, financial information, student services such as career service, counselling service, chaplaincy and more please explore the support section of our website by clicking **here.**

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VISA REQUIREMENTS

The Office for International Relations at SETU Waterford provides information and support to non-European students regarding arranging their study permits. A visa workshop will be held as part of the international student orientation programme. If a prospective exchange student is a non-EU citizen, a Visa Support Letter is required and can be provided by the SETU Waterford Office for International Relations. Once student's online application has been completed, please email studentexchange.WD@setu.ie to request a Visa Support Letter. Please see here for more information on visas.

STUDENT ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

Our student orientation programme is mandatory for all international exchange students. Online Orientation dates to be confirmed.
We will email all accepted students the orientation programme schedule and will also be available on our website 2-3 weeks before the start of semester.

EXAM RESULTS LETTER

SETU Waterford uses Parchment Award / Digitary, an online secure document platform to enable students to access a certified and secure electronic copy of academic documents. This is where students access exam results.
If students have queries regarding exam results, please contact studentexchange.WD@setu.ie
Details on the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) can be found here.

ACCOMMODATION & COST OF LIVING

Students are required to organise their own accommodation while studying here at SETU Waterford.
Some accommodation providers may take bookings from as early as May for the academic year starting in September. As a result, accommodation places can fill up very quickly.
Therefore, we advise that you reserve your accommodation as early as possible before your arrival to ensure that you secure a place. Further Information on accommodation can be found online here. For the average cost of living in Waterford and other useful information, please click here.