



Trinity College Dublin  
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath  
The University of Dublin

# Living in Dublin

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# Dublin City

- Founded in 988 (allegedly)
- Dubh Linn – Black Pool
  - Baile Atha Cliath – Town of the hurdled ford
- Small, compact city with large suburbs (we call it 'Town')
- Divided into north and southside by the River Liffey



# Safety

- Overall a safe city
  - Mind your belongings
  - Pay attention to your surroundings, particularly at ATMs and entering your apartment/house
  - Avoid walking alone at night
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- Irish Police: An Garda Síochána or ‘the Guards’
  - In an emergency call **112** or **999** (on campus call 01 896 1999)
  - Local Garda Station – Pearse Street – 01 666 9000 (non-emergency)



# Medical

- Hospital care: Health insurance is required for non-EU students. EU students should present their EHIC to receive hospital care
- Even with insurance or an EHIC, there is a charge to attend A&E or to call out an ambulance
- GP practices/dentists/physiotherapists etc will charge per visit
- Local Hospitals: St James', Mater Misericordiae
- Out-of-hours GP services: Dubdoc (St James') 01 454 5607  
<https://www.dubdoc.ie/>





# Getting Around

LEAP cards – Young Adult (<26) or Student (26+)

<https://www.leapcard.ie/>

- Dublin Bus
- Dublin Bikes
- LUAS
- Taxis
- DART

**TFI Live App**



# Renting

- Accommodation Advisory Service
- Threshold & RTB
- Rights as tenants

# Shopping

- Grocery shopping
  - Budget: Lidl, Aldi
  - Regular: Tesco, SuperValu, Dunnes Stores
  - Specialty: Polish/Asian
  - Convenience: Spar, Centra, Circle K, Londis, Mace
  - Upmarket: Fallon & Byrne, Donnybrook Fair, Dollard & Co.
- Clothes shopping
  - Henry Street, Grafton Street, Dundrum SC
- Household & Furnishings
  - IKEA, Penneys, Dunnes



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# Eating Out, Delivery & Takeaways

- Student discounts
- Dublin restaurant scene
- Deliveroo, JustEat, UberEats
- Grocery delivery: buymie, shuppa, supermarkets





# Things to do – Going Out

- Pub culture
- Opening hours
- Rounds
- Not drinking
- Getting home
  
- SU, Societies, Clubs, The Pav





## Things to do - Culture

- Museums
- Live Music
- Parks
- Cinemas
- Theatre
- Cafes



# Travel

- Bus Eireann
- Irish Rail
- Car rental
- Student discounts
- Ryanair
- Aer Lingus
- Visas



# Travel Around Ireland

- Nights out in Galway City
- Surfing in Sligo and Donegal
- The Wild Atlantic Way
- Cross the Carrickarede rope bridge and visit the Giant's Causeway in Antrim
- Walking in Wicklow
- The Cliffs of Moher and the Burren in Clare
- The Lakes of Killarney and the Ring of Kerry
- Newgrange in County Meath
- Johnny Foxes in the Dublin Mountains
- The murals in Belfast
- The Blarney Stone & Fota Wildlife Park in Cork
- The National Stud and the Japanese Gardens (and Kildare Village outlet mall) in Kildare

