

# Limerick

## Ireland's Student City

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ATLANTIC EDGE  
**LIMERICK**  
EUROPEAN EMBRACE

## Where to Hang out: Top Student Hotspots

- JJ Bowles
- The Curragower Bar
- The Locke Bar & Restaurant
- The Red Hen
- Cobblestone Joe's
- The Old Quarter
- Clohessy's Bar
- The Black Rabbit
- Mother Macs
- Michael Flannerys
- Charlie Chaplin's
- The Wickham Tap
- MJ Hogan's
- Mickey Martins
- The Still House
- Pharmacia
- The Copper Room
- Bobby Byrnes
- O'Dwyer's
- Charlie Malone's

## Late Night Favourites

- Molly's
- Angel Lane
- Icon Nightclub @ Smyth's
- Nancy Blake's
- 1314 @ Jerry Flannery's
- Costello's Tavern
- The Record Room @The Commercial
- Opium @ 101 O'Connell St.
- Amber @ House Limerick
- Dolan's

## What to See & Do

- Treaty Stone
- King John's Castle
- Treaty City Brewery
- Escape Limerick
- St. Mary's Cathedral
- The Hunt Museum
- Nevsail Watersports
- The Milk Market
- Limerick Museum
- Get West Events & Adventures
- Indoor Rock Climbing Wall
- Limerick City Gallery of Art
- Belltable
- Coca Cola Zero Bikes
- Three Bridges Walk

## Bites on a Budget

- Kyoto Sushi & Noodle
- Boojum
- Aroi
- Story Café
- Papa'z Bistro
- Z-We-Ton
- Top Pizza
- Gusto d'Italia
- Stormy Teacup
- Starbucks
- Hook & Ladder
- The Buttery
- La Cucina Centro
- Sodalicious
- The Chicken Hut
- Taikichi
- Marco Polo
- Canteen
- Rift Coffee

## Useful Info!

- O'Sullivan's Late Night Pharmacy
- Scanlon's Late Night Pharmacy
- Limerick Citizen's Information Centre
- Limerick Family Planning Clinic
- Limerick Volunteer Centre
- GOSHH
- Garda Station
- Tourist Office
- Free WIFI

## Bus Service

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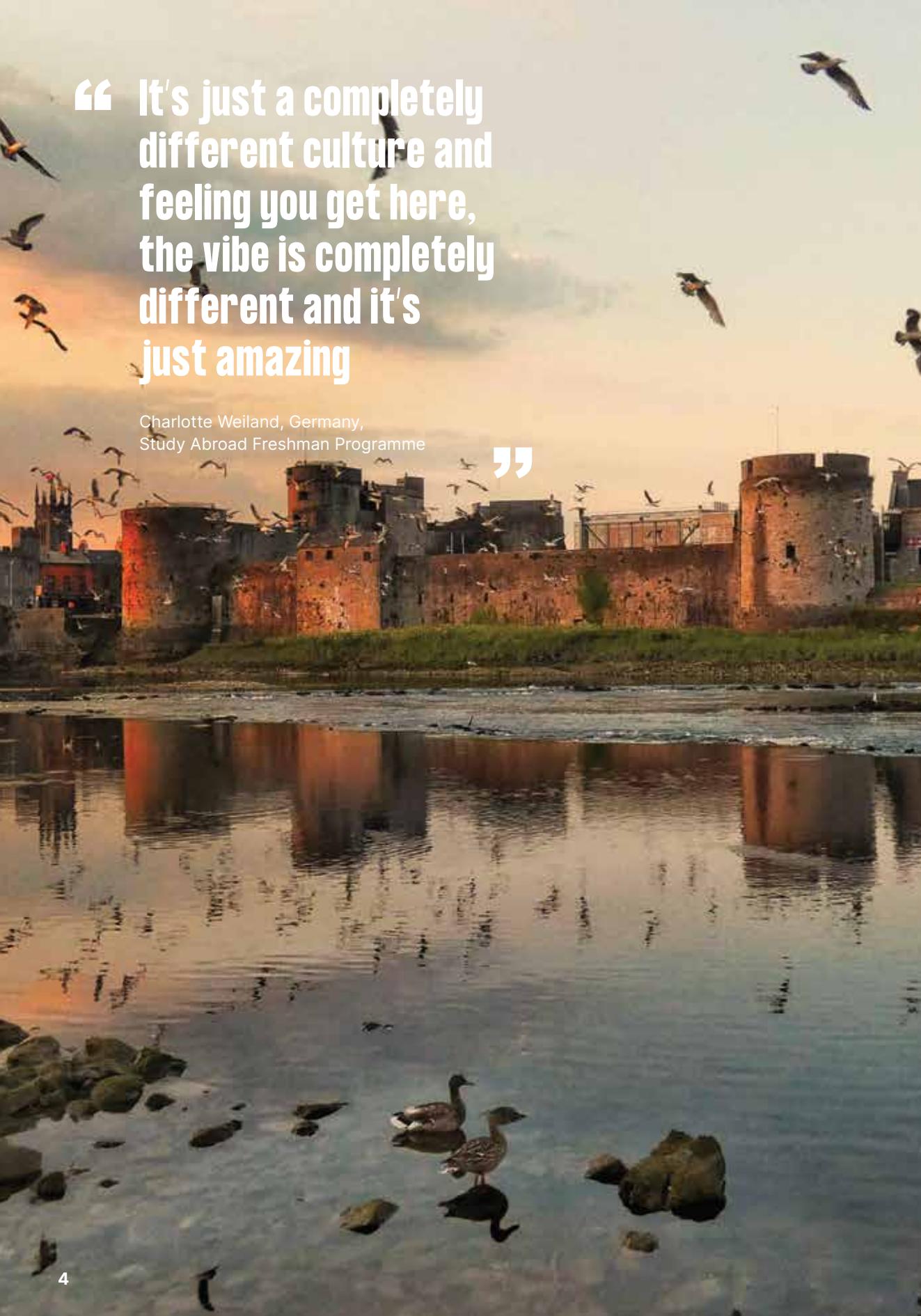
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Dublin Coach

- 307 - UL - City Centre
- 308 - UL - City Centre

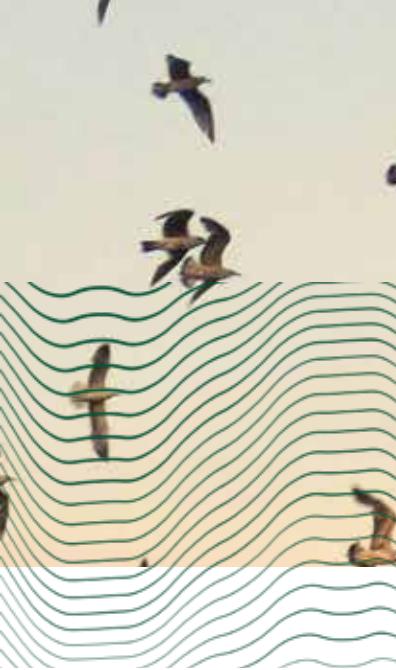
— Drop Off    — Pickup





“ It's just a completely different culture and feeling you get here, the vibe is completely different and it's just amazing ”

Charlotte Weiland, Germany,  
Study Abroad Freshman Programme



# Limerick City

## Fun Facts!

Limerick is the mid-west capital and Ireland's

### 3rd largest city

A unique opportunity to enjoy a quality of life balancing

### city and country living

**25,000** University students make up a quarter of city's population

Limerick is the ideal student city with so much to offer for everyone. Almost half the city's population is under 30 and for you, it can be the perfect location for your next big adventure.

It can be your new home, for world class education, as you can study almost any discipline at the University of Limerick while embracing the vibrant social life and creating memories along the way.

Limerick is the mid-west capital and Ireland's third largest city. Renowned for the beauty of its lush green countryside and its vibrant riverside city, Limerick's location offers a unique opportunity to enjoy a quality of life where city and country living co-exist harmoniously.

Limerick is an affordable and accessible place to live. With nearly 25,000 University students making up a quarter of city's population, it's also young, vibrant, safe and supportive. Students find it easy to get around the compact and welcoming city.

# At a Glance

**100,000**  
Urban Population

**45%**  
of the population  
under 35 years

**25,000**  
student population

## European City of the Future

Limerick was awarded European City of the Future\* (\*reference to 2018/2019 FDI Magazine published by FDI Intelligence)

UL graduate employment rate is  
**15% higher** than the national average

Home to **150** nationalities



Media hub for  
Film & TV  
**Troy Studios**  
  
Over **1000**  
Sports clubs



Rent prices are **50%**  
lower than in Dublin

**25mins**  
from nearest  
International Airport

**UNESCO Site**  
\*2017, for excellence as  
a learning city

**First  
National**  
City of Culture



# Location

Limerick is located in the South West of Ireland, boasting some of the best connections across Ireland and beyond to Europe, the USA and the rest of the world. Limerick is the gateway to the Wild Atlantic Way.

Shannon International Airport is just 25 minutes from Limerick city centre and has routes all over Europe and North America. There are also direct flights to the worldwide connection hub at Heathrow Airport.

Limerick is served with excellent rail links, with frequent services between Limerick and Dublin and other key urban centres. There are also extensive bus services to Limerick from all parts of Ireland.

From the University of Limerick, the bus will bring you into the city centre within 15 minutes, students can also rent bikes from student villages or the Coca Cola bike rental scheme, with stations all over the city.

During the day Limerick City is alive with the hustle and bustle of people going to work but also with people visiting the different shops around the city, from high street fashion to boutiques, Limerick has it all.

At the weekends you'll find Limerick City wakes up early, to stroll the stalls of Limericks famous Milk Market, where you can find anything from artisanal products, fresh fruit and vegetables to a great cup of coffee. It is not to be missed.

 The university is 4kms east of Limerick City Centre

 50 min walk to the city centre by the Dublin Rd or along the river bank.

 Regular buses from Lower William St to the university at regular intervals.

## Gateway City

**2hrs to Dublin**

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**1hr 20 min to Galway**

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**1hr 30 min to Cork**

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**1hr to Lahinch**

Surf & seaside



# Top Eats

## Weekend Brunch

Start your weekend right with a proper brunch from The Butterly or Hook and Ladder. No. 55 & 56 on the map.

## Traditional meals

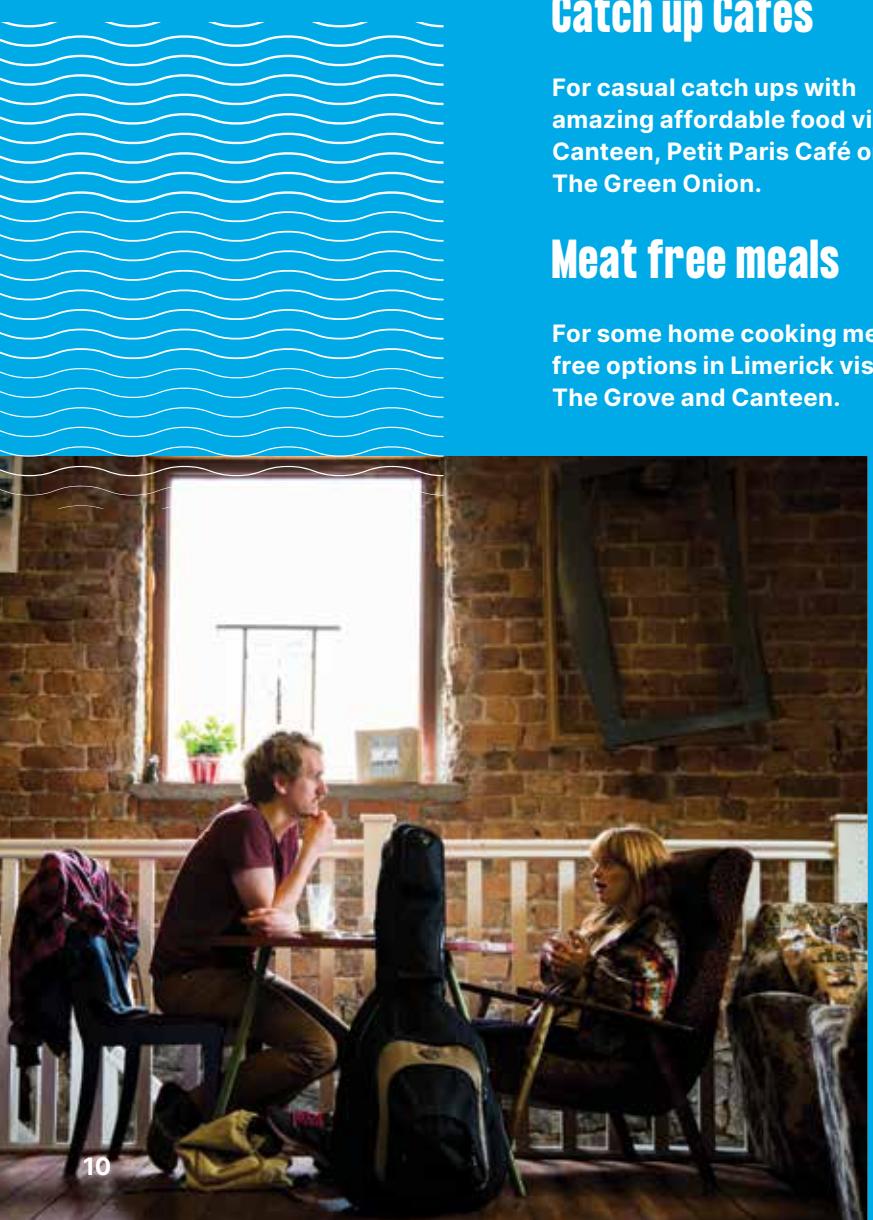
You can never go wrong with The Locke or The Curragower Bar and restaurant. No. 2 & 3 on the map.

## Catch up Cafes

For casual catch ups with amazing affordable food visit Canteen, Petit Paris Café or The Green Onion.

## Meat free meals

For some home cooking meat free options in Limerick visit The Grove and Canteen.



## Eating & Shopping

Limerick has a vast array of unique and independent cafes and restaurants whether you want fine dining or a quiet cup of coffee Limerick has it all.

In Limerick you are spoiled for choice with restaurants, showcasing food from all over the world, there are simply too many to mention but a few recommendations – Mejana for authentic Lebanese, Kyoto for a taste of Japan, Italian inspiration at Bella Italia, Asian street food at Aroi or Lana and Copper & Spice for Indian cuisine.

## Grocery Shopping

There are a large number of grocery options in Limerick, to suit every budget and taste. Lidl & Aldi are both budget friendly supermarkets based within walking distance of the University of Limerick. There is also a large Supervalu supermarket

based in Castletroy near the University. There are a large number of stores in Limerick selling specialty ingredients from all over the world including:

- **Cheong Heng Hong Oriental Supermarket**, Henry Street.
- Nour Foods deliver Halaal meat straight to your door.
- **Khan Supermarket** offer a range of Halaal food & spices.
- **Olio & Farina** stock a wide range of Italian ingredients.
- **La Fromagerie** have a fabulous array of gourmet cheese, pâté and olives.
- **India foods**, High Street in Limerick.

## Sporting Pride

When it comes to sport in Limerick, passion thrives. Limerick is the home to **Thomond Park Stadium**, home to Munster Rugby as well as the **Gaelic Grounds**, the home of traditional Irish sports in Limerick. The infectious spirit of the Limerick supporters will draw you into joining the community, to show your Limerick pride at one of the many Rugby and Hurling games throughout the season.

## The Great Outdoors

The University of Limerick spreads along and across the River Shannon, creating a campus that is enclosed by the great outdoors. Whether it is just a stroll across UL's living bridge between class, or taking the riverbank walk into the city centre from UL, there is so much the great outdoors have to offer you on campus.

Limerick City and County has so much to offer when it comes to the great outdoors, whether its walks along the magnificent River Shannon or the many walking trails in or surrounding Limerick. There is also a wide range of outdoor activities on offer in Limerick, such as kayaking along the River Shannon in Limerick City or, visiting the many heritage parks and sites around Limerick.

## Arts and Culture

Arts and Culture are at the heart of Limerick City. Limerick was voted the European City of Culture in 2014, and since we have seen no decrease in the cultural activities here in Limerick. No matter what time of the year there is always cultural events happening across the city. Every September the cultural spaces across Limerick open their doors to Limerick City, creating a night of celebration of the arts here in Limerick.

Each March the streets of Limerick come alive to celebrate our national holiday, St. Patrick's Day. Another one of the many fantastic weekends of culture in Limerick is the annual Riverfest, which sees thousands of people flock to the streets, to enjoy the festivities and annual firework display over the River Shannon.

Limerick is home to several theatres and art galleries including, the Lime Tree & Belltable Theatre, the University Concert Hall at the University of Limerick, and Limerick City Gallery of Art. Limerick is also home to an incredible Street Art Trail. Renowned street artists from all over the world come to Limerick to make their mark, and what they leave behind are vibrant, evocative, uniting murals and messages. Limerick is home to incredible performers, musicians and actors including Blindboy, Ruth Negga, Denise Chaila and the world-famous Cranberries

## Worship in Limerick

There are a large number of centres of worship in Limerick including Christian churches, Mosques and Buddhist centre.

## The Wild Atlantic Way

Limerick is an ideal place to study with lots of educational and cultural opportunities as well as being an ideal hub for travel and experiencing the Wild Atlantic Way. Limerick is less than an hour from the wild Atlantic coast, with so many amazing spots to visit like the Cliffs of Moher, Lahinch Beach and Ailwee Caves. Find out more at [wildatlanticway.com](http://wildatlanticway.com).

**You really get the Irish spirit in Limerick, I really like being here so don't hesitate and just come to Limerick it is great**

Juliette Wallez, France, Erasmus

# Limerick After Dark

Limerick by night There is as much to do in Limerick at night, as there is during the day. As with every city there is a wealth of bars and nightclubs to visit.



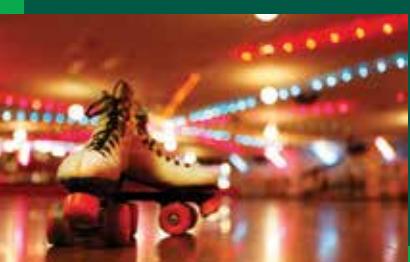
### Escape Limerick:

Escape Limerick is an immersive escape room experience in Limerick City's Medieval Quarter that offers a reduced price student night. Can you break out of our pirate ship, dungeon or classroom-themed escape room in under 60 minutes?



### Go to the Theatre:

Limerick has a wide variety of theatre productions to immerse yourself in! Sit back, relax and enjoy the show! With so many theatre productions happening throughout Limerick, there is definitely something to interest everyone.



### Roller Jam:

Limerick's indoor roller skate rink – there is something for everyone at Roller Jam Roller Disco with special student night specials.

### Discover What's On:

Go to [www.limerick.ie/discover/whats-on](http://www.limerick.ie/discover/whats-on)



### Live Music:

Renowned for its live music scene with amazing music venues and live traditional sessions every night there is something for everybody. Make sure you check out the trad sessions in The Locke Bar and Dolans who host music events for every taste at their Warehouse, The Big Top and even King Johns Castle.



### Bowling:

FunWorld is the place to be for bowling and arcade games UV Mini Golf: Step back in time to Ireland's first and only 8-hole UV crazy golf course that is suitable for skill levels and has a dinosaur theme.



### Cinema:

Catch the latest release at one of Limerick's three movie theatres all of which offer great student deals.



“ **My impressions of Limerick are awesome, I do love the fresh air and amazing walks and green landscapes**

Thao Nguyen, Vietnam, MA Marketing

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# Live Work



**“ The people I've met are very friendly and they help me a lot, I haven't experienced any discrimination here which is the most important thing for me ”**

Jessie Ngoc, Malaysia,  
BSc Biological & Chemical Sciences



## Where you'll be living

UL students can choose to live on campus in one of the seven student villages, or off campus, in private student accommodation or self-catering houses and apartments.

## Why the University of Limerick?

Voted the happiest campus in the world by international students in the 2019 International Student Barometer. 97% of graduates are in employment or further education within 6 months. UL students enter the job market with a competitive edge due to the largest internship program in Europe.

All international students are eligible for up to a two year working visa on completion of their degree. Choose UL for world class facilities, affordable education and world of opportunity.

## Working while studying

If you are interested in working while studying, we have plenty of opportunities



for you! International students that hold an immigration stamp 2 are permitted to work up to 20 hours per week during the university term. During the holiday period students can work on a full time basis – up to 40 hours per week.

## Job Opportunities in Limerick

Limerick is a hot-spot for job opportunities because it's an attractive hub for international companies looking to establish or broaden their presence in Europe. Limerick is ranked 6th in the “top metropolitan areas of Western Europe to invest in,” these rankings were determined based on statistics related to capital investment, job creation, business costs, and economic strength.

International companies, and technology companies in particular, are also drawn to Limerick because of its location and large talent pool. The city is home to three prestigious third level academic institutions, producing thousands of employable graduates and an environment bustling with young professionals.

Limerick is home to companies such as Dell, Analog Devices, Regeneron, Johnson & Johnson, Zimmer, Stryker, Intel and Cook Medical. New patterns of employment are also emerging across new sectors – with companies like KEMP Technologies and ACMS Group expanding at a rapid rate. Northern Trust also has a very significant presence in Limerick.

Troy Film Studios based in Limerick has already struck a global marketing deal with Pinewood Group - the International Film and Television Company linked with lucrative film franchises such as Star Wars and James Bond.

Multinational companies employ over 14,000 staff in the Mid-West of Ireland. It is home to 115 IDA client companies with particular emphasis on the ICT, Life Sciences, Engineering and Content, Consumer and Business Services sectors.

# UL Love Limerick



