

# IRELAND HOMECOMING STUDY PROGRAMME



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## Programme Summary

The Ireland Homecoming Study Programme (IHSP) initiative aims to encourage the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Irish citizens (including non-resident Irish passport holders with dual citizenship) living outside of the EU to return to Ireland for their Higher Education studies. The participating Institutes of Technology recognize the important role that the Irish Diaspora plays in promoting Irish Culture and Trade.

Students who participate in the IHSP will have the opportunity to study at one of Irelands world renowned Institutes of Technology [www.ioti.ie](http://www.ioti.ie). Students will also have the opportunity to live with Irish families during their stay in Ireland, further adding to the student's cultural experience and strengthening the student's cultural link with Ireland.

## What is the Irish Diaspora?

The Irish Diaspora consists of Irish emigrants and their descendants in countries such as the USA, UK, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico, Argentina, South Africa and continental Europe. The Diaspora maximally interpreted, contains over 70 million people, which is over thirteen times the population of the island of Ireland itself.

## What is the benefit of this programme for applicants?

The IHSP will be of particular interest to members of the Irish Diaspora who reside outside of the EU. Students in this category are normally subject to full Non-EU tuition fees.

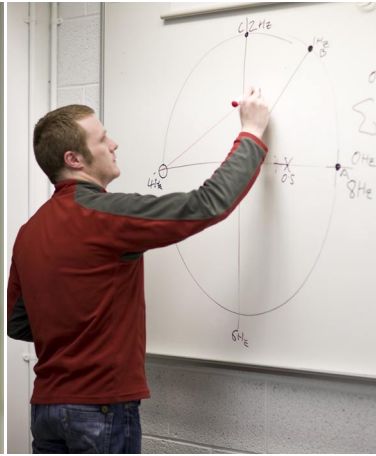
Through this Programme qualifying students will benefit from a reduction in tuition fees of up to 40% depending on the course and Institute of application. For the 2010/2011 intake the IHSP fee level will be €5,950.



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## What programmes of study are on offer?

The IHSP is open to students who are interested in completing a semester of study, a full year or an entire Undergraduate degree. Limited places will also be available for taught Postgraduate study (contact individual Institutes for details).

The disciplines of study available include:

Business, Humanities, ITC, Science, Engineering.  
For a full list of programmes please visit the website of the participating Institutes of Technology or visit [www.irelandhsp.com](http://www.irelandhsp.com)

## How do students qualify for the Programme?

1. Applicants must be a minimum age of 17 years on January 1st on the year of application i.e the intake year.
2. Students must demonstrate that they have completed a High School Diploma equivalent to the Irish Leaving Certificate.

3. (a) Applicants who hold Irish passports will automatically qualify.
- (b) Applicants who do not hold an Irish passport need to demonstrate one of the following:
  - (i) Their parent(s), grandparent(s) or great-grandparent(s) had a registered Irish birth.
  - (ii) Their parents(s), grandparent(s) or great-grandparent(s) was/were Irish citizens and/or held an Irish passport with dual citizenship.

For further details on International academic qualification equivalents and for the application deadlines please visit [www.irelandhsp.com](http://www.irelandhsp.com)

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