



# Welcome to UCD!

## Conference Venue

All conference proceedings will be held in UCD's O'Reilly Hall and the UCD Club, located on the main Belfield campus (number 45 on the UCD campus map [here](#)).

The Belfield campus is located 5KM south of the city centre. The full address is University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4, Ireland, D04 V1W8.

## Accommodation

### Accommodation on campus



UCD is delighted to offer UNICA delegates a special rate for our on-campus accommodation in our new Student Village. Located close to the heart of the Belfield campus, this new state-of-the-art facility is a 10-minute walk from the conference venue.

Delegates will be able to choose between one of the two below options and to reserve for the weekend as well at the same special rate as the event days, via the below booking links:

- a **self-contained studio apartment at €105 per night** (double occupancy is possible) – booking link: <https://ucd.events/?id=2022-unica-studio>
- a single en-suite room in a shared **4 or 5-bedroom apartment alongside other UNICA delegates at €75 per night** – booking link: <https://ucd.events/?id=2022-unica-single>

All bedrooms feature private en-suite bathrooms, and all units come with a fully equipped kitchen. The Student Village also features convenience stores and on-site catering options.

Please note that **availability is limited and on a first come-first served basis** and payment is **required at the point of reservation**.

**Should your preferred accommodation be not available through the booking links above or should you encounter any issues during the booking process please contact:**

**Shane Lordan** - [shane.lordan@ucd.ie](mailto:shane.lordan@ucd.ie).

### Recommended hotels

#### Hotels close to UCD:

- [Talbot Hotel Stillorgan](#)
- [Radisson Blu St Helens](#)

#### Hotels slightly closer to the city:

- [Clayton Ballsbridge Hotel](#)
- [Intercontinental Hotel](#)

## Getting to UCD

The main travel options are outlined below, but we also recommend consulting the [UCD commuting guide](#) and Transport for Ireland [website](#) to plan your route. TfI also offers a free real-time [travel app](#).

### Transport from the airport:

#### **By bus:**

Aircoach service #700 (Dublin Airport - Leopardstown) departs from outside Terminal 1 every 30 minutes from 03:55hrs to 00:25hrs, calling at Terminal 2, the city centre, the main entrance to UCD on the Stillorgan flyover (A9 on the UCD campus map), and the Talbot hotel. The journey time to UCD is c.60 minutes and a return ticket from the airport to UCD costs €15. This is a very popular service, so we recommend reserving tickets online in advance [here](#). You can use your phone or mobile device to show the driver your ticket.

#### **By taxi:**

The taxi ranks at Dublin airport are located outside Terminals 1 and 2. Please follow the signs in the terminal buildings. If you wish to pay by card, please enquire first with the driver. If you are travelling to UCD by taxi, you should request the driver to travel through the city centre or across the East Link Bridge, not the M50. If you are coming straight to the conference your drop off point should be the car park behind O'Reilly Hall (building number 45 on the UCD campus map). If you are staying in campus accommodation and wish to go there first your drop off point

should be the Student Village (E10 on the map).

The journey should cost between €25-40 and take c.45 minutes.

**By car:**

If you are using a rental car, please note that most campus parking is reserved for staff and student permit holders, and vehicle clamping is in operation. There is a limited number of visitor spaces which are charged by the hour in the visitor car park in front of Ardmore House (number 4 on the campus map). This car park also has a limited number of spaces reserved for GoCar customers. For more information, please consult their [website](#).

**Please note that due to campus development works, parking options are variable and can change at short notice. We advise you use public transport or a taxi.**

## Transport from the city centre:

Distance from UCD 4.7KM / 1 hour walk.

By bus: 39A (into campus), or the 46A/145/155 which stop at UCD main entrance close to conference venue. Journey time is 25-40 minutes depending on traffic.

If you have any questions about getting to/from the airport, city centre, or specific sites in Dublin please feel free to email UCD at [shane.lordan@ucd.ie](mailto:shane.lordan@ucd.ie).

## COVID-19 Information:

All information regarding COVID-19 in Ireland can be found on the [Irish Department of Health's website page dedicated to the virus](#).

As of 18 March 2022, face masks are no longer mandatory in Ireland; however, they are still advised to be worn on public transportation and in healthcare settings. The Department of Health in Ireland further encourages people to practice personal health monitoring and to self-isolate if displaying [symptoms of COVID-19](#). Three types of vaccines are [approved for use in Ireland](#): mRNA (Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna), viral vector (AstraZeneca and Janssen), and protein subunit (Novavax).

On 6 March 2022, [it was announced](#) that travellers to Ireland are no longer required to show proof of vaccination, proof of COVID-19 recovery, or a negative PCR test result upon arrival. Travelers are moreover no longer required to complete or present a COVID-19 Passenger Locator Form. Neither testing nor quarantine are any longer required upon arrival to the country. Please check this webpage before your departure for any updates.

## Contact Point

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