

# WELCOME TO ATU SLIGO

## YOUR FUTURE IS HERE



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# CONGRATULATIONS



**Congratulations on receiving an offer from Atlantic Technological University (ATU), Sligo.**

**You should be so proud of yourself. Your hard work and determination have resulted in you having the opportunity to study at one of Ireland's newest universities.**

Going to university is the start of a journey where you will meet new people, hear new ideas and have many memorable experiences-academic, social and personal. We in ATU are delighted that you have chosen to study with us, and we are committed to supporting you reach your full potential. There are currently no restrictions due to COVID so our university is fully open and once again a vibrant community.

We have a wide variety of supports to assist you on your university journey. Please feel free to access our student hub to give you a flavour of these supports.

**Student Portal - Atlantic Technological University Sligo**  
([www.atu.ie/sligo-student-portal](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-student-portal))

In addition, we have developed a "frequently asked question" section based on past students queries which may answer any queries you may have.

**Frequently Asked Questions - Atlantic Technological University Sligo**  
([www.atu.ie/sligo-faq](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-faq))

I look forward to meeting you at induction in September and supporting you in your endeavours over the coming years.

Best wishes,

**Dr. Michele Glacken**

**Vice President for Student Experience, Teaching and Learning**

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# WHAT TO DO NOW?

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Accept Your Offer



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Registration



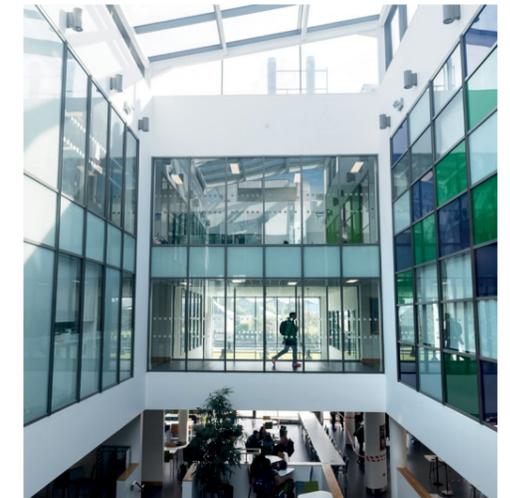
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Welcome to ATU Sligo



# WHY CHOOSE ATU SLIGO



### YOU'LL BE IN DEMAND

95% of our graduates go straight into employment or further education.

### YOUR CAREER IS OUR FOCUS

We work closely with industry to tailor our programmes so that when you graduate, you have a qualification which employers recognise and want.

### GET MORE FOR YOUR MONEY

The cost of student accommodation is so much more affordable compared to many of Ireland's other university towns and cities. Not only that, you will save on food, transport and entertainment.

### A MODERN CAMPUS

Be part of a campus that offers state-of-the-art facilities and a lovely environment to study in.

### AN AMAZING PLACE TO LIVE

Sligo combines a vibrant urban centre with stunning natural beauty.

### IT'S PERSONAL

We have the best lecturer to student ratio in Ireland which means students benefit from individual attention and support from our dedicated staff.

# STEP ONE

## ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

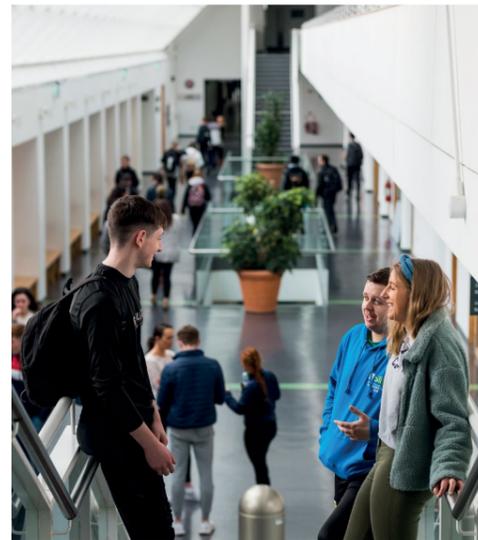
### ACCEPT

Log on to the CAO website to accept your offer. You must do this before the reply date published by the CAO.

**Round 1 Offers** – 14th September 2022

**Round 2 Offers** – 21st September 2022

To accept your offer, or see the full list of dates, go to [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie)



### DEFER

Sometimes applicants are unable to accept their offer due to circumstances beyond their control. In such a case, the applicant may request a “deferral” (i.e. a postponement) of study until the following year. Applicants requesting to defer their place should NOT accept their place with CAO. Instead contact [admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie) immediately and ask for further details on how to apply for a CAO deferral. The number of deferrals granted is limited. A request for a deferral does not guarantee approval.



### WHICH OFFER TO CHOOSE

#### LEVEL 8 V LEVEL 6/7

You may receive two offers, one from your level 8 and one from your level 6/7 preference list. You can only accept one of these offers.

It might seem obvious you would automatically accept the level 8 degree, but if you are offered a level 8 degree lower down your preference list it may not be your best option.

We recommend you choose the programme you have a genuine interest in studying. Most level 6 and level 7 programmes can lead you to the exact same level 8 honours degree, at the same length of time and cost, but provide greater flexibility to change path along the way.

### SUBSEQUENT OFFERS

You may get additional offers on programmes higher up on either of your two lists, if places become available in later rounds.

Accepting the new offer will automatically cancel the previous acceptance.

You will not be disadvantaged by accepting your current offer because under the CAO system, you will always be offered the highest preference to which you are entitled.



# STEP TWO

# REGISTRATION

After you have accepted your offer through the CAO, you can register anytime between the dates listed in your offer letter as an ATU Sligo student. This must be completed by 26th September 2022.

## HOW TO REGISTER

1. Visit [www.atu.ie/sligo-offers](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-offers)
2. Click on "Step 2: Registration" and follow the link to register
3. Enter your User ID & Password from your letter of offer enclosed in this pack
4. Follow the screens to register

## WHAT YOU NEED

You will need your User ID and active directory password (date of birth), details of which can be found in the letter of offer included in this pack.

Credit or Debit Card if paying in full.



# FEES AND GRANTS



## COST

The Student Contribution fee is normally €3000 per year but this is under review by Government. Any reduction in fees will be passed to our students. For Non-EU Students, the fee will be assessed based on documentation supplied to the Admissions Office. Student Contribution Fees are payable by 30th September 2022.

Tuition fees are an additional fee but are normally paid by the Department of Education for full-time students who are citizens of a Member State of the EU and who meet the residency requirements (Free Fees Initiative).

## PAYMENT

During the registration process you will have the option to pay your fees. When prompted, simply select Pay Now and enter your card details. If you select the Pay Later option, you will not be fully registered on your programme until you pay your fees.

If you expect SUSI to pay your fees press Pay Later. SUSI will confirm to ATU Sligo all grant payments. You will become fully registered if/when SUSI confirms 100% grant award to ATU Sligo. If awarded part fees, ATU Sligo normally takes the SUSI payment as the first installment and asks you for the remainder of payment by January.

## INSTALMENTS

We also offer an instalment plan. The instalment dates are: half the total fees before September 30th 2022 and half before January 31st 2023. Please follow the same directions as detailed in the How To Pay section above. If you need any help contact the Admissions Office on [admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie)

## GRANTS

All applications for a grant should be made through SUSI at [www.susi.ie](http://www.susi.ie). SUSI will inform ATU Sligo of any grants that are awarded. The grant has two aspects: a fee grant which may cover the student contribution fee and a maintenance grant which goes towards living costs. Grant awards are calculated using several means including income. For more information visit [www.susi.ie](http://www.susi.ie)

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Our Access Office may be able to help fully registered students who have paid their fees with additional financial support through schemes such as The Student Assistance Fund. Keep an eye on your student emails for more information. You will get more information on financial supports and how to access your emails at induction.

## FEE REFUND

If you pay your fees and then get approval from SUSI you will be eligible for a refund. Please contact [admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie) if you are due a refund. Also, if for any reason you are considering leaving your course early, you should talk to the Admissions Team about the possible fee implications.

## CONTACT

If you have any questions or concerns about fees please contact our team on [admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie) and they will be happy to help. If you require any assistance throughout the registration process please visit [atu.ie/sligo-offers](http://atu.ie/sligo-offers)

# STEP THREE

## WELCOME TO ATU SLIGO

Once you have accepted your offer and registered online, it is time to start your journey as an ATU Sligo student.

Welcome to the start of your university experience. It's an exciting time for new students. We have several supports in place to help you enjoy these first steps on the journey that will lead to your independence, your education and eventually, your career.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

1. Now is the time to confirm your accommodation or travel arrangements. Visit [atussu.ie/student-accommodation/](http://atussu.ie/student-accommodation/)
2. Our comprehensive Induction Programme will make your transition to university an easy one. Visit [www.atu.ie/sligo-induction](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-induction)
3. Register with the access office if you have a specific learning difficulty or you have a disability [www.atu.ie/sligo-student-portal](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-student-portal)
4. Get involved

Joining a club or society is a great way to meet people with similar interests, try out something new or pursue your passion. University life is more than just study. It is also about experiences and friendships. That is why we encourage students to join at least one club or society – and with over 70 to choose from, we have something for everyone!

Our clubs and societies day is held early in the university year. This is an opportunity to check out all that is on offer and sign up to as many as you like. Also, if we don't already have it – you can even start your own! Visit [atussu.ie](http://atussu.ie) for more information.

### PRE ARRIVAL SESSION

Webinar for Parents Transitioning to Higher Education, a guide for parents with Catherine O'Connor. Wednesday 21st September @ 7pm. Catherine, is nationally recognised as a subject expert in the area of transition to higher education following the successful launch of the 'must have' guide for all parents and students preparing for third level - Cracking the College Code published by CJ Fallon Ltd. For more information on Catherine, visit [www.catherineoconnor.ie](http://www.catherineoconnor.ie)



# BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATION

Sligo is home to some of the most affordable student accommodation in Ireland. With a wide variety of options available, there is something to suit everyone.

The student union can support you in finding accommodation. Visit their webpage [atussu.ie](http://atussu.ie), call 071 91 41887 or email [support@atussu.ie](mailto:support@atussu.ie)



### STUDENT VILLAGES

There are several purpose-built student villages located around ATU Sligo. All are within one to twelve minutes walking distance. These self-catering student villages have been designed with the needs of the student in mind.

### DIGS

This can be a popular choice with students who are moving away from home for the first time. Digs is when a student lives with a local family in their home. The benefit here is that all meals are provided also.

### PRIVATE RENT

The area around the university has an excellent selection of private apartments and houses. This is organised through private landlords and can be popular amongst students wishing to live with friends.



### STUDENT VILLAGES

#### Gateway

[www.gatewayapartments.ie](http://www.gatewayapartments.ie)

#### Ard Nua

[www.ardnua.com](http://www.ardnua.com)

#### Uni Rooms @ Ard Nua

[www.unirooms.ie](http://www.unirooms.ie)

#### Yeats Village

[www.yeatsvillage.net](http://www.yeatsvillage.net)

#### Benbulbin Court Apartments

[www.benbulbencourt.ie](http://www.benbulbencourt.ie)

#### Clarion Village

[www.thevillageclarion.com](http://www.thevillageclarion.com)

#### The Grove Student Complex

[www.thegrovesligo.ie](http://www.thegrovesligo.ie)

#### Milligan Court

[www.milligancourt.ie](http://www.milligancourt.ie)



# ATTEND INDUCTION

Induction is the first step in settling into university life. Registered students are encouraged to attend Induction where they will be shown how to access facilities, learn about the supports available, meet their lecturers, meet their classmates and lots more.

Induction for 1st year students will take place on **Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd September** and will take place across three platforms: a dedicated webpage, Moodle (our virtual learning environment) and on-campus.

## WEBSITE

Visit [www.atu.ie/sligo-induction](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-induction) to get started

This website will give the most up to date information regarding Induction. Students will find their academic calendar, student timetable, information on how to get their student ID card and all the information students need to know about the numerous facilities and supports' available to them.

## MOODLE

24 hours after registration, students can access the student learning platform, Moodle. Within this platform students will access much of your learning resources. Every student has an account personalised to their course of study and active use of your account is important in preparing you for success at ATU Sligo. The content to reflect your programme of study become visible 24 hours following the completion of registration with ATU Sligo.

## ON-CAMPUS

Visit [www.atu.ie/sligo-induction](http://www.atu.ie/sligo-induction) to find the most up to date on-campus Induction schedule. This on-campus element to Induction will give new students the opportunity to meet their classmates, lecturers and discover the impressive campus and facilities at ATU Sligo.

Teaching will start **September 26th for 1st Years.**



# ACCESS OFFICE



**Our Student Guide will be given to you at Induction. It compiles useful information about being a student at ATU Sligo and the supports available to you. Our lecturers doors are open to students to discuss any academic issues they are experiencing.**

**If you have specific learning needs, a disability or any circumstances which might need individual consideration, our Access Office are here to help.**

## LEARNING SUPPORT

Our dedicated learning support tutors support students who have dyslexia or other specific learning difficulties. The team can organise dyslexia screening and psycho-educational assessment referral where necessary. Students have access to the latest assistive technology and can engage with the learning support tutor on a one to one or group basis. Reasonable accommodation at exams and liaising with relevant staff are other ways our learning support tutors can help.

## DISABILITY SUPPORT

Our disability support service provides an individual support plan tailored to the specific needs of the student. Engagement with other relevant staff ensures appropriate plans are in place. This plan combined with ongoing advice, assistive technology and support allows students to reach their full potential.

## ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

A comprehensive and extremely modern assistive technology support is available. It is central to our facilitation of students with disabilities or learning difficulties. Supports here include a matching the person to technology assessment which maximises productivity and independence, training in how to use the technology and full access to our dedicated assistive technology suite.

## CONTACT

It is really important that students contact the Access Office as soon as possible following registration so the specific supports can be put in place to support their needs. The Access Team can be contacted by the methods outlined in the right column:

## ACCESS OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS

### Mature Students contact:

**Linda McGloin, Access Officer**  
Telephone: **+353 (0) 71 9305417**  
or email [access.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:access.sligo@atu.ie)

### HEAR, Student Assistance:

**Lesley Walsh, Assistant Access Officer**  
Telephone: **+353 (0) 71 9155433**  
or email [access.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:access.sligo@atu.ie)

### DARE, Disability Support or Autism Supports:

**Shelley Brady, Disability Officer,**  
Telephone: **+353 (0) 71 9137355**  
or email [disability.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:disability.sligo@atu.ie)

### Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD):

**Andrea Rynn, Learning Support Tutor,**  
Telephone: **+353 (0) 71 9305400**  
or email [learningsupport.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:learningsupport.sligo@atu.ie)

# CAMPUS MAP

## Legend

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|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>A</b> Main Reception, Administration & Yeats Library | <b>G</b> Innovation Centre       | <b>1</b> Gateway Apartments         | Bike Shelter              |
| <b>B</b> Science and Canteen                            | <b>H</b> Student Services Centre | <b>2</b> Ard Nua                    | Car Electric charge point |
| <b>C</b> Business & Social Sciences                     | <b>K</b> YAADA                   | <b>3</b> Uni Rooms at Art Nua       | Bus Stop                  |
| <b>D</b> Business & Social Sciences                     | <b>L</b> YAADA                   | <b>4</b> Yeats Village              | Paid Parking              |
| <b>E</b> Engineering & Design                           | <b>M</b> Applied Technology      | <b>5</b> The Grove Student Complex  |                           |
| <b>F</b> Engineering & Design                           | <b>P</b> Knocknarea Arena        | <b>6</b> Clarion Village            |                           |
|   | <b>B</b> Clarion 8               | <b>7</b> Benbulbin Court Apartments |                           |
|   |                                  | <b>8</b> Milligan Court             |                           |



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