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# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HANDBOOK

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INSTITIÚID OIDEACHAIS   
  
**MARINO**  
  
INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

An Associated College of  
Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin

# WELCOME MESSAGE

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**Professor  
Teresa  
O'Doherty**  
President

I am honored and proud to welcome you to Marino Institute of Education. At MIE, we have a solid vision to create a stimulating, inclusive, and diverse educational environment. Education is about imparting knowledge and shaping responsible, critical, and globally aware individuals.

Our curriculum is designed to foster students' interests and talents across various fields, including science, arts, sports, and humanities. We also emphasize the importance of international cooperation and cross-cultural understanding in preparing students for an increasingly interconnected global future. We have a dedicated and experienced faculty who serve as your mentors, friends, and guides on your educational journey.

We want to extend our gratitude to all of you who have chosen MIE as their place of education. We are committed to providing the best educational experience for each student.



# ABOUT MIE

Marino Institute of Education (MIE) is a teaching, learning and research community committed to promoting inclusion and excellence in education. We have a long and proud involvement with education, specifically initial teacher education (ITE), dating back over 100 years.

Our association with Trinity began in 1976, when the first intake of lay students registered for the Bachelor in Education (B.Ed.) course. In July 2011, this relationship was further strengthened with the formalisation of an agreement which places MIE under the joint trusteeship of the Congregation of Christian Brothers European Province and Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin.

In the last decade, the academic mission and scope of MIE's activity has been re-envisioned to encompass a deeper understanding of education in and beyond the classroom, to incorporate the continuum of teacher education and the education of specialist education practitioners at early years, primary and further education levels. This is allied with a commitment to education studies encompassing non-traditional education settings and the wider education environment in a pluralist context.

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# LIVING IN DUBLIN

## Where to Eat

Our housing options are self-catered, which means you will be preparing your own meals in your kitchen. You may be coming from a country where you lived at home while attending university, or from a university with a meal plan and dining halls. There are two options for eating on campus during the day; our main restaurant, Blasta, and a coffee shop, the Cloister Café. There are also many places to grab inexpensive and filling food on the go throughout Dublin. Remember to show your Student ID for discounts!

## Shopping

For household items like bed linen and crockery, Penneys and Dunnes Stores have excellent inexpensive ranges. In addition, student-favourite IKEA is located to the north of the city. It is serviced by the 13 / 140 / 155 buses.

**Bookstores:** Hodges Figgis, 56-58 Dawson Street, have textbooks available on the top floor; Easons, 40 Lower O'Connell Street, is a large chain bookstore.

**Stationery:** Easons, The Works and Tiger all have stores across Dublin and stock a wide selection of paper goods and stationery.

**Pharmacies:** Banks Pharmacy on Philipsburgh Ave and Sion Hill Pharmacy on Calderwood Rd are within walking distance of the campus. Boots is a pharmacy chain across the country which offers a student discount.



## What's Happening in Dublin

From the best places to eat, to all the cultural events and upcoming activities Dublin has to offer, check out these Dublin-focused social and entertainment sites: Lovin Dublin, Eventbrite, Dublin Town, What's On, Totally Dublin and Visit Dublin.

## Groceries

It is best to go to the big supermarkets like Dunnes Stores, Tesco, Supervalu, Aldi and Lidl. The closest supermarkets to the MIE campus are C&T Superstore on Philipsburgh Ave, Lidl on Drumcondra Street Upper and Tesco Express in Fairview.

There are also several convenience stores within 10 - 20 minutes walking distance of the campus including Centra, Spar and Costcutter.

# LIVING IN DUBLIN

## Smoking in Ireland

Smoking is banned in all workplaces throughout Ireland, including offices, pubs, bars, restaurants and public transport.

## Irish Weather

The Irish Climate is temperate and mild. Temperatures rarely drop below 0°C or rise higher than 24°C. The rain is most often not torrential, but light to medium showers. For clothing, make sure you have a good waterproof and windproof jacket and warm clothing for the winter months. However, there are excellent shopping facilities in and around Dublin and all items can be purchased here as well.

## Electricity Voltage

Students who wish to bring electrical appliances with them should note that the voltage in Ireland is 220v. You will also need an adaptor, as the sockets in Ireland have three rectangular holes. Irish electric sockets are the same as in the United Kingdom.

## Cost of Living

The cost of living depends on individual choices and spending on travel and social life can vary widely from student to student.

Estimates on the cost of living in Ireland can be found in the [Irish Council for International Students guide on cost of living.](#)

## Student Travelcard

For discounted travel within Ireland, you will need to get a Student Travelcard, also known as a Student Leap Card, the National Student Travel and Discount Card. If using public transport, the TFI Leap Card can save you up to 32% versus cash single fares. This is the only card accepted by Irish Rail, Dublin Bus, Bus Eireann and LUAS (tram) for student fares. It is also a discount card for hundreds of goods and services nationwide. The Student Leap Card is accepted as authentic proof of student status, allowing you to book a student flight to anywhere in the world. Once you have your MIE ID card, you can get a Student Travelcard for €10. Further information can be found at: [leapcard.ie](http://leapcard.ie)



# LIVING IN DUBLIN

When in Dublin, students may wish to do some sightseeing and get to know the city and its history better. We suggest that you use the VisitDublin website for up-to-date information on what to see and do in Dublin. For destinations and attractions outside the city see Discover Ireland or The Wild Atlantic Way.

The following are some ideas of ideas of the things you can see and do in Dublin for free!

## IMMA - The Irish Museum of Modern Art

Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, Dublin 8, D08 FW31.

This former hospital is now the country's foremost modern art gallery. You can also stroll around the building and the beautiful surrounding gardens.

## The National Gallery

National Gallery of Ireland, Merrion Square West, Dublin 2.

The collections in the National Art Gallery stretches across seven centuries and includes a terrific Caravaggio and striking portraits of Ireland's most notable figures.

## The National Museum of Decorative Arts

Collins Barracks, Benburb St, Dublin, D07 XKV4.

This Decorative Arts and History branch of the National Museum dates back to the early 18th-century, and houses an eclectic mix of historic memorabilia, design and craftwork.

## Science Gallery

Science Gallery, Trinity College Dublin, Pearse Street, Dublin 2.

The Science Gallery is devoted to explaining the intricacies of science, and how it applies to everyday life.

## Dublin City Gallery – The Hugh Lane

Charlemont House, Parnell Square North, Dublin 1, D01 F2X9.

Focused exclusively on modern and contemporary art, the Hugh Lane is a favourite among many Dubliners.



## The Chester Beatty Museum

Dublin Castle, Dublin 2, D02 AD92  
Set in the grounds of Dublin Castle, this award-winning museum showcases the collection of Chester Beatty. The museum houses a diverse selection of paintings, manuscripts and artefacts from Asia, the Middle East, North Africa and Europe.



## Walking Tours

Free walking tours are also available, covering a variety of famous places such as Trinity College, Temple Bar, Dublin Castle and St. Patrick's Cathedral.

## The National Museum of Archaeology

Kildare Street, Dublin 2  
Established in 1877, the National Museum of Archaeology is where you will find Ireland's most famous crafted artefacts, the Ardagh Chalice and the Tara Brooch, from the 12th and 8th centuries respectively, and a collection of mummified bodies from the Iron Age.



## National Botanic Gardens

Glasnevin, Dublin 9, D09 VY63  
The National Botanic Gardens of Ireland are an oasis of calm and beauty, and entry is free. A premier scientific institution, the gardens contain important collections of plant species and cultivars from all over the world.

# NATIONWIDE PUBLIC TRANSPORT

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## Transport for Ireland (TFI)

Public transport services across Ireland operate under the Transport for Ireland (TFI) brand.

The Transport for Ireland Network is serviced by many operators Nationwide including Bus Éireann, Dublin Bus, Go-Ahead Ireland, Iarnród Éireann Irish Rail, Luas and TFI Local Link among others. TFI Bikes are also part of the network, offering a more sustainable way to travel.

## Iarnród Éireann (Irish Rail)

Irish Rail operates train services to Irish cities from two train stations in Dublin: Heuston Station and Connolly Station, both of which are located in the city centre. For timetables please see: [www.irishrail.ie](http://www.irishrail.ie)

## Bus Éireann

Bus Éireann has a nationwide network connecting all major Irish cities and also provides linking services from major cities to smaller towns or villages. Buses leave and arrive in Dublin at Busaras (Central Bus Station), which is close to Connolly Station. For further information please see: [www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)

## Bus Tours

The main tourist office in Dublin can provide information about coach tour providers in Ireland. The tourist office is located on Suffolk Street.

Or visit:

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



# MIE LIBRARY

The Library of Marino Institute of Education is housed in St. Patrick's Hall and caters to over 1,300 students and staff through the provision of print and online resources and services.

The library contains a reference collection, short-loan and long-loan academic text collections as well as adult fiction and teaching resources. A group study room, reading room, pc area and quiet reading nook complete the library's physical spaces. Library staff also provide expert support on developing research skills and accessing and using the library's collection of scholarly resources.



For more information please see the library website.



Entrance in St. Patrick's building



Most of the books are downstairs



A self-service kiosk is located downstairs



Use your Student ID to swipe in and access library services



PCs and Printers/Photocopiers are downstairs



A water fountain is located besides the exit



There will be staff to help you at the front desk



Most of the study desks are upstairs



The Return Box is Located in St. Patrick's Building Hall



# IMMIGRATION REGISTRATION



Students from the Common Travel Area (CTA), a European Union (EU) member state, a European Economic Area (EEA) country, or Switzerland can enter Ireland without restriction.

Some non-CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss students can enter Ireland without a visa. However, some non-CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss students will require a visa before travelling to Ireland. To check whether you require an entry visa, please see <https://www.irishimmigration.ie/visa-non-visa-required-nationalities/>.

*If you are in possession of both a CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss and a non-CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss passport, you must travel to Ireland using your CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss documentation in order to enter the country without restriction.*

When you enter Ireland, you will need to show the immigration officer at the airport:

- Your valid passport
- Proof of health insurance
- Your offer letter from MIE and a receipt for your College deposit or fees.
- OR a 'Confirmation of Registration' letter
- A bank statement showing your means to support yourself during your stay.

When admitting you into Ireland, the immigration officer will stamp your passport allowing you to remain in the state for a period of up to 90 days. Within that time you are expected to visit the Irish Immigration Service Delivery (ISD) and register as a non-CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss student living in Ireland.

ALL non-CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss students, regardless of whether they require an entry visa, must register with ISD in order to obtain permission to reside in Ireland. A student's registration with ISD must take place before the expiry date stamped on their passport by the immigration officials at the airport.

# IMMIGRATION REGISTRATION

## STEPS TO REGISTER

To register with ISD for the first time, non-CTA/EU/EEA/Swiss students residing in Dublin city or county, Kildare, Meath, Wicklow, Cork or Limerick must book and attend an appointment in person at the Burgh Quay registration office. Please call Freephone 1800 800 630 from an Irish mobile or landline phone to book your appointment.

[The process of registration & required documentation are outlined on the Irish Immigration website :](#)



Once you have registered with ISD, you will receive an Irish Residency Permit (IRP) card which shows that you are legally resident in the state and which will allow you to travel freely from and return to Ireland.



If you are registering outside of Dublin, Kildare, Meath, Wicklow, Cork or Limerick see this link.

You can find more information about the Irish Immigration process on the Irish Immigration website.

\*Please note that, depending on the residency status awarded, applicants may have to pay a fee of €300 at the time of their registration. Students will need to apply to renew their residency permissions annually. Such renewal is typically also subject to a €300 fee. Information on renewing your residency permit can be found at:

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# Emergencies

You should call **999** or **112** in the case of an emergency which requires an immediate Garda (police) or Ambulance response.

Emergencies include:

- A danger to life
- Risk of serious injury
- Crime in progress or about to happen
- Offender still at scene or has just left

In a non-emergency situation, you should ring your nearest Garda station if you need assistance.

## U.S. Embassy in Dublin

**Website:** <https://ie.usembassy.gov/>

**Address:**  
42 Elgin Road  
Ballsbridge  
Dublin 4

**Hours of Operation:**  
8:30am-5:00pm  
Monday - Friday

**Phone:**  
+353 1 668-8777

## Useful Links

Postal Service: [www.anpost.com](http://www.anpost.com)

Electricity Supply Board: [www.esb.ie](http://www.esb.ie)

Gas Supply Board: [www.bordgaisenergy.ie](http://www.bordgaisenergy.ie)

Broadband and Cable Suppliers: [www.eir.ie](http://www.eir.ie) or  
[www.virginmedia.ie](http://www.virginmedia.ie)

Ireland's National Police Service: [www.garda.ie](http://www.garda.ie)

# MEDICAL INFORMATION

## Health & Travel Insurance

Students must have private medical insurance cover while abroad and are advised to keep a record of their health insurance policy number and any emergency numbers.

**Important:** *Your private medical insurance must cover you for cost of repatriation.*

### **Non-EU students**

Non-EU students are not covered for any free medical attention off-campus and must therefore have their own private insurance. Students are advised to have a record of their health insurance policy number and of any emergency numbers. If a student is covered by their parents' private healthcare insurance plan, it is important that they contact their health insurance provider to confirm the level of cover their policy will give them while studying in Ireland.

# MEDICAL INFORMATION

## Points to Note:

- Hospitals in Ireland may not accept American insurance coverage. Patients may be expected to pay some fee's up front with the remaining to be settled after discharge. Patients may then apply for reimbursement from their own travel insurance at a later date.
- Modern medical facilities and highly skilled practitioners are available in Ireland.
- Carry your prescription medication in original packaging with your doctor's prescription. Also carry a list of your medical history and all medications you are taking (including dosage and brand-name).
- Most over the counter (OTC) medications are available, but many U.S. brands are not. Some U.S. OTC medications may require a prescription in Ireland.
- Irish pharmacists may not be able to dispense medication prescribed by U.S. physicians and may direct you to obtain a prescription from an Irish doctor.
- A list of Irish general practitioners in each area of Ireland may be obtained from the website of the Irish College of General Practitioners.
- We do not pay medical bills. Be aware that U.S. Medicare is not valid overseas.
- Medical Insurance: Make sure your health insurance plan provides coverage overseas. Most care providers overseas only accept cash payments. See the Department of State webpage for more information on insurance providers for overseas coverage.
- Vaccinations: Be up-to-date on all vaccinations recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

# Medication

Carry your prescription medication in original packaging with your doctor's prescription. Also, carry a list of your medical history and all medications you are taking (including dosage and brand name). Such lists will save Irish medical staff a lot of time, in the case that you are admitted to an Irish hospital during your vacation.

We would also advise you check with your airline to make sure you have everything they require you to bring with you to be allowed to take the medication on board the aircraft.

If students need to bring prescribed medication with them, please note that the maximum amount of imported medication permitted is a 3-month supply that must be cleared through Customs by the Irish Medicines Board. On the Irish Revenue and Customs website there are details on items that passengers may bring in from outside the European Union area. Customs will only clear medication that is licensed for use in Ireland.

## **Before leaving the United States:**

Persons who need to bring medication into Ireland should ensure that they bring sufficient quantities of the medication, together with a letter from their U.S. physician stating that the medication is necessary and is for the patient's own use, together with a copy of the prescription, to avoid being questioned by either U.S. or Irish customs.

## **Persons already in Ireland who require U.S. medication:**

Such persons should first check with their local pharmacy and learn whether their medication is already available in Ireland under a European brand name. If the medication is available, the person should then attend a local general practitioner, who can prescribe on their behalf.

## **If the medication is not available in Ireland:**

The patient's U.S. physician should forward to the patient a prescription for the drug, together with a letter from the doctor stating that the patient requires this drug to treat an illness (please specify the illness), and stating that the drug is for the patient's use only. The physician or pharmacist in the U.S. can then mail the drugs to the recipient. The letter from the doctor and the prescription should be retained to be presented to local customs.

# STUDENT LIFE AT MIE

Students make the most of MIE's ideal location and immerse themselves in extracurricular and recreational activities on campus and in Dublin city centre. The dedicated and inclusive MIE Students' Union, ensures that all students have every opportunity to experience the best student life while studying here. Events that cater for everyone are organised during the year and everyone is encouraged to get involved.

## MIE Students' Union

THE MIE Students' Union is here to support and represent all students studying here at Marino. The SU provides a voice for all students and will work hard to ensure that your time here at Marino is an enjoyable, safe and memorable one. They organise a range of both academic and social events including inclusive nights out, culture events, academic workshops and much much more. We are very lucky here at Marino to have such a fantastic support network, so be sure to check out these services and avail of them when needed. Your SU officers have been elected by the MIE student body to represent and support you therefore whether you want to access support with your college work, concerned about your mental health, have a great idea or would simply like to have a chat; all your SU officers are here for you so please feel free to contact them on the details below.

<b>SU President</b>	Laura Boyne	supres@momail.mie.ie
<b>VP Welfare and Equality</b>	Naomi Lanney	nlanneybsc22@momail.mie.ie
<b>VP Education and Lifelong Learning</b>	Katelyn Nic Pháidín	knicphaidinbed22@momail.mie.ie
<b>Environmental Sustainability Officer</b>	Ciara Conlon	cconlonbed22@momail.mie.ie
<b>Clubs and Societies Officer</b>	Gregory O'Reilly	goreillybed22@momail.mie.ie
<b>Sports Officer</b>	Rachael Cawley	rcawleybed23@momail.mie.ie
<b>Sports Officer</b>	Liam Gallagher	lgallagherbed21@momail.mie.ie
<b>Entertainment Officer</b>	Melissa O'Donohue	odonohuebsc22@momail.mie.ie
<b>Entertainment Officer</b>	Tori Doyle	tdoylebsc22@momail.mie.ie
<b>Arts Officer</b>	Ciarán Greene	cgreenebed23@momail.mie.ie
<b>Communications Officer</b>	Laura Sheehan	lsheehanbed23@momail.mie.ie
<b>Cumann Gaelach</b>	Caoimhe Nic Pháidín	cmfaddenboid23@momail.mie.ie
<b>Cumann Gaelach</b>	Aisling Rodriguez	arodriguezboid23@momail.mie.ie

# Clubs & Societies

MIE offers a range of clubs and societies and encourages new students to sign up and get actively involved. Our on-campus clubs include;

Art Society	Camogie	Drama Society	Hockey	Soccer
Athletics	Cumann Gaelach	Film Society	Hurling	Swiftie Society
Badminton	Choir	Football (Ladies' and Men's)	LGBTQ+ Society	Table Tennis
Basketball (Ladies' & Men's)	Dance Society	Green Campus / Sustainability Committee	Live Music	Trad Society
Board Games	Darts	Gym & Fitness	Pilates	Yoga



**MIE Students' Union**  
**(@miestudentsunion)**

See the the Students' Union Instagram for more information on all the clubs and societies, including links to each club's WhatsApp group.



MIE students can sign up for a range of Trinity's clubs and societies such as their hockey team, athletics, badminton, soccer and much more. Outside formal classes countless opportunities are available to students both on and off campus.

# MIE GAA & Sports

There is a vibrant GAA community in MIE. A small college with a big heart and big ambitions, every MIE student is given the opportunity to take part in their chosen sport regardless of level of ability. There are many benefits to getting involved in sport in MIE. What better way is there to spend a few hours a week away from the stress and pressure of study than to take part in physical activities on our playing pitch or in our Sports Hall? We also offer a range of other non GAA sports such as Men's & Ladies' Basketball and are always keen to start and develop new clubs & societies.

## Students' Union Sports Officers

Rachael Cawley

[rcawleybed23@momail.mie.ie](mailto:rcawleybed23@momail.mie.ie)

Liam Gallagher

[lgallagherbed21@momail.mie.ie](mailto:lgallagherbed21@momail.mie.ie)

## GAA Sports Contact

Denis Forde, MIE GAA Officer

[denis.forde@mie.ie](mailto:denis.forde@mie.ie)



# Events at MIE

The Students' Union is dedicated to ensuring you have an engaging and enjoyable university experience. The dedicated events officers work tirelessly to arrange a vibrant calendar of events each semester.

In the fall, Freshers' Week is a major highlight, featuring events like the County/Country Colours Night at the Goose Tavern, the Freshers' Ball, and various other activities to help you settle in, meet new friends, and have fun. Additional fall semester events include a Mystery Tour, a performance by the Drama Society, Karaoke Night, and more.

To stay informed about all the exciting events, follow the MIE Events Instagram page:



**MIE Events**  
(@mie\_events\_)



# Orientation Schedule

The full orientation schedule will be available closer to your arrival date. You can expect activities such as:

- Registration (Receive your Student ID & login details)
- Timetable
- Introduction to the Irish Education System (by Academic staff)
- Placement Requirements for US Students only (by Academic staff)
- Garda Vetting
- Meet the MIE President
- Student Engagement / Access Support
- Short tour of campus incl. Library
- Getting to know Marino
- Meet the Students' Union President



We look forward to welcoming you and ensuring you have a smooth transition into your study abroad experience!

# TRAINING COURSES

Upon arrival on campus, you will participate in the following essential training sessions:

## **Moodle Induction**

Moodle Induction: Learn how to navigate and utilize Moodle, our online learning platform, to access course materials, submit assignments, and engage with your instructors and peers.

## **GDPR Training**

GDPR Training: Understand the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and its implications for handling personal data responsibly and securely. This mandatory Data Protection Awareness and Training course has 2 modules:

1. General introduction to data protection and the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), and
2. Data protection specifically relating to education settings.

## **Consent Workshop**

Consent Workshop: Gain insights into the principles of consent, ensuring respectful and informed interactions in all aspects of university life.

## **Tusla Training**

Tusla Training: Familiarize yourself with child protection and welfare guidelines as outlined by TUSLA, the Child and Family Agency in Ireland.

## **Garda Vetting**

Garda Vetting: Complete the Garda vetting process, which is required before you can undertake any work placements, ensuring the safety and welfare of all participants.

# MODULE OPTIONS

The following are the ideal programmes for Fall and Spring Semester at MIE\*

Fall Semester (September – December)	ECTS value (Credits)
<b>Compulsory Modules:</b>	
Introduction to Teaching in Ireland	0
Internship	5
<b>+ a choice of modules in the areas of:</b>	
Creative Technology	5
Inclusion and Special Education Needs	5
Curriculum and Assessment	5
Psychology	5
Science Education	5
Literacy	5
Diversity	5
Inquiry-based learning	5
Learning in the Environment	5
Work-based Learning	5
Spring Semester (January – May)	ECTS value (Credits)
<b>Compulsory Modules:</b>	
Introduction to Teaching in Ireland	0
Internship	20
<b>+ a choice of modules in the areas of:</b>	
Technology for Teaching and Learning	5
Early Childhood Education	5
Work-based Learning	5
Comparative Education	5

\*this is the ideal programme structure however, students are not limited to this and can consult the full module brochure. Students are welcome to speak with a member of the MIE team about creating a bespoke semester structure.

**Important:** some courses have limited spaces available. Students may have to make changes to their original module choices due to limited spaces, a module no longer being available, timetable clashes etc. For this reason, students are advised to have alternative choices available.

# ACCOMMODATION

MIE offers a limited number of On-Campus Accommodation to semester abroad students, which will need to be requested for at time of application.

## On Campus Accommodation

On campus accommodation at MIE is provided by Eber – [www.eber.life](http://www.eber.life) – and is conveniently located on campus. The accommodation is close to the city centre, and is well serviced by Dublin Bus, with a stop directly opposite the campus gates. Local amenities include shops, restaurants, a supermarket, pharmacy and a sports park.

The apartments are recently refurbished to suit the students' needs, with modern furnishing and appliances. Each student has their own bedroom with a small double bed, and their own bathroom fitted with a shower. A key card system is in place for secure and convenient access to your apartment. Security cover is provided to ensure the safety of residents and this security is 24/7.

Eber puts extra emphasis on the social aspect of student life, giving residents plenty of opportunities to mix. We host activities such as quizzes, fancy dress events and movie nights.

Cost per week for 2025/26: €240 including utilities & Wi-Fi



# STUDENT SERVICES

MIE has a range of Student Support Services available to you. Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our services. It is important to prioritise yourself – seek help when needed.

## MIE Access

MIE Access is here to provide support and services to potential and current students affected by social and economic challenges. Access can help current students with financial concerns, campus accessibility, guidance to students and other support services.

Access welcomes queries from prospective students who may be interested in HEAR/DARE and Mature entry routes.

For more information, please contact Simon Yeates at [access@mie.ie](mailto:access@mie.ie).

## Career Guidance

The role of MIE's Career Advisor is to provide impartial careers and education information, one-to-one guidance and group guidance, which help you to make informed educational, career and life choices.

Choosing the right career path is one of the most important decisions you will ever make. The career exploration and development processes will help you to gain greater self-awareness of your interests, aptitudes, values and motivation.

The MIE Career Advisor can provide you with the professional support required to successfully navigate career and educational transitions. The service is tailored to meet the unique needs of each MIE student and queries from prospective MIE students are also welcomed.

Sallyann Alexander is on campus every Tuesday and she is located in Room 200a in St. Mary's. For additional careers information and to book an appointment contact [guidance@mie.ie](mailto:guidance@mie.ie) .



## Chaplaincy

The role of MIE's Chaplaincy team is to provide a supportive dynamic environment that fosters a spirit of inclusiveness on campus; valuing spirituality and cultural diversity and offering a space to live and reflect on one's faith or worldview. The service networks with other agencies which promote holistic development and a sense of justice for all. Chaplaincy seeks to be a place of welcome and hospitality for all members of the MIE community.

The Chaplaincy vision is firmly rooted in the values of Blessed Edmund Rice, which is intrinsically linked to MIE's mission statement - this vision of education is based on compassion, presence, and liberation. The chaplain is available to meet and assist students on an individual basis to offer personal support particularly when students are experiencing difficulties or have suffered a loss.

To those who seek it the chaplain also offers pastoral guidance and spiritual accompaniment on a one-to-one basis and through a programme of faith initiatives which are offered throughout the college year.

For more information contact [lily.barry@mie.ie](mailto:lily.barry@mie.ie) or [chaplaincy@mie.ie](mailto:chaplaincy@mie.ie).

## Counselling

MIE has a dedicated Student Counsellor on campus and is available for all students. The Counselling Service will run a number of support workshops during the year around areas of Sexual Consent, Managing Stress and Anxiety, Wellbeing & Mindfulness and many more.

Counselling provides you time and space to explore issues that are of concern. Counsellors are specially trained to listen attentively and to offer a supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment where you can engage in a process of self-reflection and discovery with a focus on personal growth, mental health, and wellbeing. For more information contact [marinocounselling@mie.ie](mailto:marinocounselling@mie.ie)

Appointments can be booked using the online booking system via the [Student Counselling page](#):



## Disability Service

The aim of the MIE Disability Service is to provide a student-centred multi-disciplinary service that empowers and enables students to reach their full potential in an inclusive learning environment.

MIE supports students with additional needs, with supports including occupational therapy support, academic support, a respite room, and advice on assistive technology.

If you currently avail of supports in your home institution please contact [disability@mie.ie](mailto:disability@mie.ie) or Simon Yeates at [access@mie.ie](mailto:access@mie.ie) well in advance of your trip to Ireland to discuss how MIE can support you during your semester abroad. If you are registered with the Disability Service in your home institution, it would be helpful to provide details of any accommodations you receive in advance of your visit.

## Student Engagement

Looking to take your time at MIE beyond the classroom? Student Engagement is here to help you make the most of your college life! We offer a wealth of resources to connect you with fellow students, explore your passions, and develop your leadership skills.

Want to join a club or society? We have a comprehensive list of existing groups and can guide you through the process of starting your own to bring something new to campus life.

Aspire to become a leader? Learn about training and development opportunities offered by the National Student Engagement Programme (NStEP) to help you hone your leadership skills.

Want to make your voice heard? We'll show you how to provide feedback on your experiences, get involved in the Students' Union, and represent your peers on committees.

Let's make your MIE journey a vibrant one! Don't hesitate to reach out to our dedicated Student Engagement Officer, Colum Cronin, [colum.cronin@mie.ie](mailto:colum.cronin@mie.ie) to get started!



# MIE Health Service

Fairview Medical Centre provides a range of medical and healthcare services to registered students in Marino Institute of Education. Fairview Medical Centre has a team of doctors and nurses on duty. Services available include illness review and fitness to attend college, phlebotomy, injections, clinical dressings, well woman services, asthma services, etc. Colds and Flu are both viruses and do not generally need a doctor's visit. There is a local pharmacy near the College on Philipsburgh Avenue for over-the-counter remedies.

The Medical Centre is a 10 minute walk from the College and is open from 8am until 5pm, Monday to Friday. There is an emergency service on Saturday mornings from 8am until 9:30am.

For emergencies after 6pm and weekends please contact DDoc (0818 22 44 76)



For more information on the student medical services available please see this [link](#)

## New Patient Registration

Please note MIE students must register with Fairview Medical Centre at least 48 hours in advance of booking their first appointment and must also bring their student ID with them to any appointments.

To register with the Fairview Medical Centre, please complete the New Patient Registration form at this [link](#):



If you require further guidance or support, please do not hesitate to contact your personal tutor (details on student [Maestro](#) account) or the Student Counselling Services.

## The MIE Respite Space

The MIE Respite Space is a calm bookable space on the ground floor of the St. Mary's building. This space is available to all MIE students and staff to book for a 30-minute time slot (max. one hour) on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday throughout the academic year.

The respite space is a quiet rest area in MIE where students and staff can take time out during the day to rest and recuperate. This space could also be used to manage sensory systems over the course of the college day.

The MIE Respite space is an individual space and can be booked online for a minimum period of 30 minutes or maximum of one hour per day. The respite room is managed by the MIE Access Officer. Preference will be given to students who are registered with a student support service who have been specifically referred for respite.

Should you require any further information, please contact Simon Yeates, Access Officer MIE on [access@mie.ie](mailto:access@mie.ie) or by calling 01 - 8057752.

## MIE's Gym

All students have access to MIE's modern gym facilities. The campus has many playing fields as well as a large indoor gymnasium that is suitable for basketball, badminton and indoor football.



# MIE Centre for Religious Education

The work of the Centre for Religious Education at MIE is driven by four pillars:

1. The Edmund Rice Vision
2. Academic Programmes
3. Research
4. Dialogue and Outreach

## The Edmund Rice Vision

MIE is committed to the person and values of Blessed Edmund Rice, in particular his vision of an inclusive and liberating education. Edmund Rice is the founder of the Christian Brothers who are the co-trustees of the institute. MIE pro-actively supports initiatives such as the Edmund Rice Schools Trust (ERST), Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders (EREBB) and Edmund Rice International (ERI).

The EREBB Online Leadership Programme is run by the Centre for RE. It was designed and is moderated by Dr Aiveen Mullally. The course has been developed to support teachers, educators, leaders and those aspiring to leadership in Edmund Rice schools and educational communities around the globe to become advocates and proponents of inclusive and liberating education practices. It is an interactive, 20-hour course which participants can complete in their own time during a semester. It offers the opportunity to connect with the global Edmund Rice Network and discuss insights and challenges together on various discussion fora throughout the programme related to Edmund Rice educational values, social justice and advocacy and spiritual leadership.

## Academic Programmes

The Centre for Religious Education at MIE offers a variety of academic programmes designed to support and enhance religious education and leadership.

These include:

- **Masters in Education Studies (Leadership in Christian Education)**
- **Adult Education Certificate in Spirituality and Human Development**
- **Certificate in Religious Education (BEd2 & BEd3 and PME)**
- **Certificate in Multi-Belief and Ethical Curricula (BEd4, BOide4 and PME2)**



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## Research

Research at the Centre for Religious Education is dedicated to advancing the understanding of religious education and its impact on society. Our faculty and students engage in innovative research projects that explore diverse religious traditions, pedagogical methods, and the role of religion in contemporary issues.

Through interdisciplinary collaboration and a commitment to academic excellence, we aim to contribute valuable insights and practical solutions to the challenges faced by religious educators and communities worldwide.

## Dialogue and Outreach

The Centre for Religious Education at MIE is dedicated to fostering dialogue and outreach within the realm of Catholic education in Ireland. Since 2009, it has hosted an annual round table discussion and dinner, providing a platform for those involved in Catholic education to engage in meaningful dialogue. This event aims to support advocates of Catholic education in their roles within schools, educational circles, the media, and broader society. Each year, a keynote speaker addresses a relevant theme, enriching the conversation. Additionally, the Centre offers ongoing professional development for school staff, leaders, and RE teachers, focusing on areas such as school ethos, inclusion of different beliefs, spiritual leadership, and wellbeing. This commitment to dialogue and outreach underscores the Centre's mission to promote inclusive and effective religious education practices.

