National College of Ireland

Before You Arrive

We created this simple Checklist to help you prepare for your departure.	
Gather Important documents	 Ensure that you have your Passport, Visa and the Medical Insurance that you bought. Your NCI unconditional offer letter as you may have to produce it at immigration in Dublin Airport.
Book flights	 Ensure that you book your flights in advance and arrive in plenty of time to settle in before registration and orientation. We recommend that you aim to arrive for 1 September. Check with your airlines whether you require a transit visa for the country you will be stopping over. Some countries like the United Kingdom ask for transit visas for certain nationalities even though the stopover is for a few hours. Download and fill in the 'Student Arrival and Airport Collection Form'
Accommodation	 Book your accommodation for your arrival in Ireland - remember you need to do this before you leave your home country. If you're not going for the On-Campus accommodation then it is very important for you to book a hostel/hotel for at least 2 weeks until you get a room/apartment to rent. For short-term and long-term accommodation options please refer to the previous section 'Accommodation/Living costs'
What to pack	 Ensure you have all your documents, filled in airport collection form (if you need to be collected) Please DO NOT carry too much cash with you. And always have at leas two emergency contact numbers with you. One of them can be of NCI's. Woollens and a pair of boots
Miscellaneous	 Adapters for mobile phone chargers, laptop chargers. Please note that the electricity plugs in Ireland may be different from your home country. So a global adapter is recommended.