







QS Ranking World University Ranking 2024



QS Global Employability Ranking 2022

of University of Limerick graduates are in employment or conducting further study

# **1250th**

• Out of 1115 Universities Globally in the Times Higher **Education Impact Ranking** 2021



Students in internships and work placements annually

**Student Population** 

International Students

**Staff Population** 

**International Faculty** 

**Reciprocal Mobility** 

- Ireland's population est. 5,056,953
   smaller than Hessen
- 2019 (pre-Covid) 7,384 Irish students left Ireland on Erasmus+ mobility while 22,802 students came
- Post-Brexit Ireland is the only English-speaking country in the EU



## Irish Education System

- 13-14 years of schooling
- Bachelor Education (level 8)
   Duration 4 years
   8 semesters 240 ECTS in total
   ERASMUS+ mobility typically Sem 5 or 6
- Postgraduate Education (Level 9)
  Duration 1 calendar year (51 weeks)
  Semester 1 taught (30 ECTS)
  Semester 2 taught (30 ECTS)
  Summer Research Project (30 ECTS)



#### Mobility at postgraduate level

• 1-year nature of postgraduate education in Ireland makes exchange difficult/impossible

1+1 Model	4+1 Model
Year 1 postgraduate education in home country – 60ECTS	Years 1-4 in home country — 240 ECTS
Year 2 Ireland – 90 ECTS	Year 5 Ireland – 90 ECTS
Receive Parchment from both institutions	Receive Parchment from both institutions

## Final Year Specialization

Home Institution	Final Year at UL
Software Engineering / Computer Science	<ul> <li>MSc Artificial Intelligence &amp; Machine learning</li> <li>MEng Computer Vision and Artificial Intelligence</li> <li>MEng Cyber Security</li> <li>MSc Data Science and Machine Learning</li> <li>MEng Edge Computing</li> <li>MEng Mechatronics</li> <li>MSc Software Engineering</li> </ul>

### Let's address the elephant in the room

 Cost for EU citizens of Postgraduate Education at University of Limerick:

 Approximately 12,000 German students at postgraduate level in the UK post-Brexit

Over 8,000 German students study in the USA

#### **Process**

- Identify areas of possible collaboration
- 2. Share curriculum mapping from both sides
- 3. Draw up and sign an MOA
- 4. Ideally follow up with additional collaborations (e.g. research)



#### **Benefits**

- Meaningful mobility of 12 months in English medium country
- Accommodation not problematic
- Semester timetable clash not problematic
- Opportunity to offer new pathways to students
- Collaboration on research project common
- Design of Double Degree efficient



