

# Welcome to ATU

## Your Future is Here



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Atlantic  
Technological  
University

# Congratulations



**Congratulations on receiving an offer from Atlantic Technological University.**

**You should be incredibly proud - your hard work and determination has given you 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, develop new ideas and make memorable experiences. We are delighted that you are considering joining our vibrant student community, and we are committed to supporting you to reach your full potential.

We offer a rich combination of academic and research excellence, quality of life and opportunity – all of which can be experienced in the beautiful west and north-west region of Ireland. If you decide to join our ATU family, we will welcome you and provide all the guidance and assistance that you need.

At ATU, we look forward to supporting you on your university journey. We hope that this guide helps with your final decision and we wish you every success as you embark on your university journey.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Orla Flynn', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Dr Orla Flynn**

**President, Atlantic Technological University**

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# What to do now

## Step

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Accept Your Offer



## Step

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Registration



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# Why Choose ATU



## You will be in Demand

Demand for ATU graduates is significant. 9/10 ATU graduates go straight into employment or further education.

## Your Career is our Focus

We work closely with industry to ensure our graduates have a qualification which employers recognise and need. Many of our degree programmes offer work placement opportunities.

## Modern Campuses

ATU's eight campuses offer state-of-the-art facilities and modern campus environments.

## Amazing Locations to Live and Study

Our campuses are located in a range of urban and rural settings, surrounded by stunning natural beauty, in some of the most scenic spots in Ireland.

## It's Personal

Across our campuses, we offer the best lecturer to student ratio in Ireland. Our students benefit from individual attention and support from our dedicated staff.

# Step 1

## 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. If you miss the CAO deadline and still wish to accept your place, please get in touch with the Admissions Office.

#### **Round 1 Acceptance Deadline –**

Tuesday 5th September at 3pm.

#### **Round 2 Acceptance Deadline –**

Wednesday 13th September at 3pm.

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

### Defer

If you are offered a place through the CAO and find that you are unable to take it up in the current year, it may be possible to defer your place until the following year.

Please email the Admissions Office immediately if you wish to be considered for a deferral.

Deferrals are granted on a case-by-case basis. Deferrals may be granted based on certified illness, family bereavement or similarly serious grounds. Formal documentation from appropriately certified professionals must be provided.

### Admissions Contacts

- ATU Galway-Mayo  
**[admissions.galwaymayo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.galwaymayo@atu.ie)**
- ATU Donegal  
**[admissions.donegal@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.donegal@atu.ie)**
- ATU Sligo  
**[admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie)**
- ATU St. Angela's  
**[admissions.stangelas@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.stangelas@atu.ie)**





## 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.

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, 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 2

# Registration

**After you have accepted your offer through the CAO ([www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie)), you will receive a registration email from ATU. Once you receive the email from ATU, you can register anytime between the dates listed in the registration email. This must be completed before induction and the start of class.**

## How to Register

1. Visit [www.atu.ie/offers](http://www.atu.ie/offers)
2. Click on 'Registration'
3. Click on the relevant campus
4. Complete all action items to register

## What You Need

To register, you will need your User ID and active directory password, details of which can be found in your registration email. A credit/debit card will be required if you are paying for your fees.





# 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.

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 in full.

If you have a SUSI application pending to pay your fees, select 'Pay Later'. SUSI will confirm to ATU all grant payments. You will become fully registered if/when SUSI confirms 100% grant award to ATU. If awarded part fees, ATU normally takes the SUSI payment as the first instalment and asks you for the remainder of payment by January.

## Instalments

We also offer an instalment plan. Please follow the same directions as detailed in the 'How to Pay' section above. If you wish to avail of this you must contact the fees office via the relevant email address below.

## Grants

All applications for a grant should be made through SUSI at **[www.susi.ie](http://www.susi.ie)**

SUSI will inform ATU 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 directly to the student 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 Offices 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. You will get information on supports, including financial supports, during the Induction process.

## Fee Refund

If you pay your fees and then get approval from SUSI after the initial payment deadline of 31st October 2023, you will be eligible for a refund. Please contact the fees office via the relevant email below if you are due a refund. If for any reason you are considering leaving your course early, talk to the Admissions Team about the fees implications.

## Contact

If you have any questions or queries about fees please contact our team on one of the following emails and they will be happy to help.

**[feecollection.donegal@atu.ie](mailto:feecollection.donegal@atu.ie)**

**[feecollection.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:feecollection.sligo@atu.ie)**

**[feecollection.galwaymayo@atu.ie](mailto:feecollection.galwaymayo@atu.ie)**

**[feecollection.stangelas@atu.ie](mailto:feecollection.stangelas@atu.ie)**

# Step 3

## Welcome to ATU

**Once you have accepted your offer and registered online, it is time to start your journey as an ATU 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. Visit [www.atu.ie/welcome](http://www.atu.ie/welcome)
2. Select your campus for details on locally organised events
3. Attend Induction, our comprehensive Induction Programme and Connect for Success: Your first five weeks will make your transition to university an easier one
4. **Induction dates** for ATU Sligo and Galway-Mayo campuses are the 14th and 15th September. The Induction date for ATU Donegal campuses is the 13th, 14th & 15th of September. Induction dates in St. Angela's are the 12th, 13th and 14th September
5. Teaching will start on Monday 18th of September for first year students
6. 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 100 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!



# Connect for Success: Your First Five Weeks

**Atlantic Technological University Orientation Programme supports students' transition to university. This programme provides students with the opportunity to actively engage in university life, get to grips with their programme, join a club or society, become a volunteer and develop a personal toolkit to live a healthy, balanced and enjoyable lifestyle.**

As part of settling into your new life we have organised student-focused orientation events commencing from the 18th of September called Connect for Success: Your First Five Weeks.

Connect for Success - Your First Five Weeks has weekly themes designed to provide students with the necessary support and guidance to enhance the university experience. We encourage you to engage and connect with campus life and supports.

Date	Week	Time	Theme
18th - 22nd September	1	All Week	Getting the Right Start
25th - 29th September	2	All Week	Get Involved
2nd - 6th October	3	All Week	Health & Wellbeing
9th - 13th October	4	All Week	Academic Supports
16th - 20th October	5	All Week	Check In

For further information on our Induction Programme and Connect for Success: Your First Five Weeks visit [atu.ie/welcome](https://atu.ie/welcome)

**Teaching will start on Monday 18th of September** for first year students.







**Our Student Handbook will be given to you at Induction. It includes useful information about being a student at ATU and information on the student supports available.**

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

## Learning Support

Our dedicated learning support tutors, support students who have dyslexia or specific learning difficulties. 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 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

### ATU Galway-Mayo

- Telephone: +353 (0) 91 742598
- Email: [ap.galwaymayo@atu.ie](mailto:ap.galwaymayo@atu.ie)

### ATU Donegal

- Telephone: +353 (0) 74 91 86170
- Email: [access.donegal@atu.ie](mailto:access.donegal@atu.ie)

### ATU Sligo

- Telephone: +353 (0) 71 9305417
- Email: [access.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:access.sligo@atu.ie)

# Contact Us



## Admission Office Contact Details

### ATU Galway-Mayo

- Telephone: +353 (0) 91753161
- Email: [admissions.galwaymayo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.galwaymayo@atu.ie)

### ATU Donegal

- Telephone: +353 (0) 74 9186000
- Email: [admissions.donegal@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.donegal@atu.ie)

### ATU Sligo

- Telephone: +353 (0) 71 55222
- Email: [admissions.sligo@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.sligo@atu.ie)

### ATU St. Angela's

- Telephone: +353 (0) 71 914 3580
- Email: [admissions.stangelas@atu.ie](mailto:admissions.stangelas@atu.ie)

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