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Senior Summer School

at MTU

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Cork, Ireland

Travel Guide for Participants



A Warm Welcome to Ireland and the Munster Technological University!

We are excited to welcome you to the **10 Days of INGENIUM Senior Summer School at Munster Technological University in Cork.**

This Travel Guide provides essential information about the MTU Campuses in Cork, your accommodation, and how to get here.

We look forward to an inspiring week of learning, sharing, and connecting!

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➤ **Munster Technological University** was established in **2021** through the merger of **Cork Institute of Technology** and **Institute of Technology Tralee**, becoming the second largest technological university in Ireland.

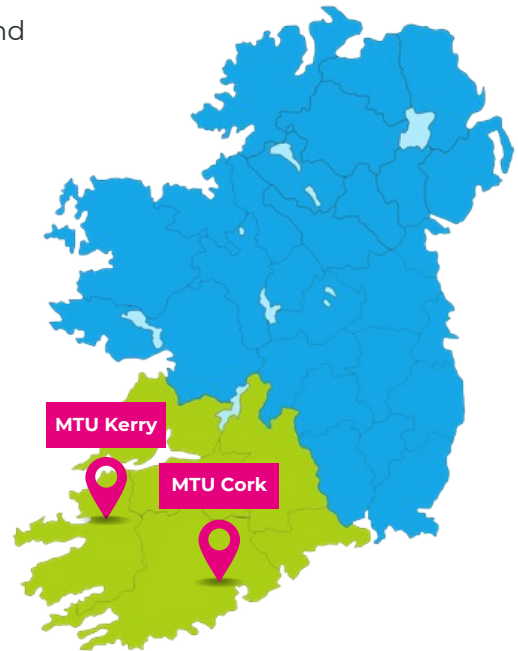
➤ **MTU** operates across 6 campuses, **4 located in Cork** and **2 in Kerry**, supporting a diverse academic community across the Munster region.

➤ **MTU** is structured around **5 faculties**, covering a wide range of disciplines:

- Faculty of **Creative, Performing Arts & Media**
- Faculty of **Health & Social Sciences**
- Faculty of **Business**
- Faculty of **Science & Informatics**
- Faculty of **Engineering**

➤ As a member of the **INGENIUM European University Alliance**, MTU actively contributes to international collaboration in education, research, and innovation across Europe.

➤ MTU's shared values shape its culture and approach to education. These values emphasise being **inclusive, engaging, dynamic, and bold**.



6
campuses

18,000+
learners

140+
courses



Discover the MTU Cork Campuses

Senior Summer School 2026 will take place in Cork.



MTU Bishopstown Campus - the main Cork campus, offering programmes in business, engineering, computing, media, and science. The campus features modern libraries, laboratories, research centres, and technology-enabled learning spaces, all within easy reach of the city.

National Maritime College of Ireland - a specialised campus focusing on nautical science, marine engineering and maritime technology, with hands-on training facilities including simulators and workshops.



MTU Crawford College of Art & Design - located in Cork city centre, this campus focuses on art, design, and creative practice. Teaching has a strong emphasis on applied creativity, visual communication, and engagement with the cultural and creative industries.



MTU Cork School of Music - a centre for music, theatre, drama, and performance studies, offering professional-standard performance spaces, studios, and recording facilities. The school combines academic study with intensive practical training.



MTU Blackrock Castle Observatory - a unique science outreach and research centre, operated by MTU in partnership with local and national stakeholders. The observatory connects research, education, and science communication.



Travelling to Cork

> From Cork Airport (Recommended)

Cork Airport (ORK) is located 8 km from Cork city centre and is the easiest option for arrival.

Bus routes **226** and **225** operate regular services between Cork Airport and the city centre.

- Journey time is around 20–30 minutes.
- Tickets: purchased directly from the driver. Ticket price: €2.20. Please note that payment is accepted in cash only!

More information on the [Bus Éireann website](#).

Taxis are available directly outside the terminal.

- A taxi to the city centre typically costs €15-25. Taxi services include **Uber** or **FREE NOW**, or local providers such as **ABC Taxi** (+353 21 496 1961).



> From Dublin Airport

Dublin Airport (DUB) is Ireland's largest international airport. Many participants may arrive here before continuing their journey to Cork.

Option 1: Direct coach (most convenient)

This is the simplest option, especially if you have luggage.

Aircoach Route **704X** operates a direct service from Dublin Airport to Cork city. Buses depart from marked stops outside the terminals.

- Journey time: approx. 3-3.5 hours.
- Tickets: can be purchased in advance on the [Aircoach website](#). Ticket price: approximately €22 (one way).

Option 2: Bus + Train from Dublin

This option involves more transfers but is also commonly used.

Travel from Dublin Airport to **Dublin Heuston (Train) Station** by bus or coach.

Then take a train from Dublin Heuston Station to **Cork Kent Station**.

- Journey time: approx. 3.5 hours.
- Tickets: can be purchased in advance on the [Irish Rail website](#). Ticket price: approximately €8+€30 (one way).

As Ireland is an island country, all international visitors typically arrive by plane.

The **most convenient and closest airport to MTU is Cork Airport**.

If you don't fly directly to Cork, you will also find detailed information on how to travel to Cork from Ireland's main airports.



> From Shannon Airport

Shannon Airport (SNN) is located on Ireland's west coast and is closer to Cork than Dublin Airport.

Bus - Coach service **51** connects Shannon Airport with Cork city.

- Journey time: approximately 2–3 hours
- Tickets: can be purchased in advance on the [Bus Éireann website](#). Ticket price: approximately €24 (one way).

Accommodation in Cork


Below you will find a selection of accommodation options identified for participants of the **INGENIUM Senior Summer School 2026**. All listed hotels are located in the Cork area and offer easy access to MTU and Cork city centre by public transport.

The Talbot Hotel is the recommended accommodation for participants of the Senior Summer School. It offers comfortable accommodation in a well-connected location and will host the **INGENIUM Gala Dinner**.



TALBOT
HOTEL
CORK

The Talbot Hotel Cork (Oriental House)



The primary accommodation for INGENIUM participants, offering well-appointed rooms within easy reach of MTU Bishopstown Campus.

Rates: €139 B&B (single) | €169 B&B (double)

Booking method: Directly with the hotel and quote *MTU INGENIUM*

Booking deadline: 31 March


Contact: +353 21 420 8400

E: reservations@talbothotelcork.ie



maldron HOTEL
SOUTH MALL - CORK CITY

Maldron Hotel South Mall



A modern city-centred hotel located close to shopping areas and restaurants.

Rates: €190 B&B

Booking method: Direct / online

Booking code: *MUNS250526*

Booking deadline: 13 April


Contact: +353 21 203 7000

E: info.southmall@maldronhotels.com



THE
KINGSLEY

The Kingsley Hotel



A premium riverside hotel, located slightly outside the city centre.

Rates: €220 B&B (single) | €240 B&B (double)


Booking method: Direct / online

Booking deadline: End of April

Contact: +353 21 480 0500

E: reservations@thekingsley.ie

Lancaster Lodge



A centrally located hotel within walking distance of Cork city centre.

Rates: €169 B&B (single)

Booking method: Direct booking only (not available online)

Booking code: *MTU INGENIUM*

Booking deadline: 1 April

Contact: +353 21 425 1125

E: info@lancasterlodge.com

Please note: availability and rates are subject to change.

Participants are responsible for arranging and confirming their own accommodation.

Getting around Cork

Most locations within the Cork city centre, including hotels, restaurants and local attractions, can be reached by bus, taxi, walking, or cycling. **Google Maps** works reliably for route planning.

> Public Bus

Bus route **205** directly connects the city centre with MTU Bishopstown Campus. It stops on Campus at the back of the Library.

- Tickets can be purchased directly from the driver on board.
- Ticket cost approximately €2.

Please note that payment is accepted in cash only!

Journey times depend on traffic but are generally reliable.

For other city bus routes and real-time information, use [TFI Live](#) or [Google Maps](#).

> Taxi Services

Taxi services in Cork can be booked via [Uber](#) or [Freenow](#), or local providers such as [ABC Taxi](#) (+353 21 496 1961).

> Cycling

Cork is a great city for cycling. It's a sustainable choice and can be a fast way to travel short distances.

Use [TFI Bike](#) app for bike rental with multiple docking stations across the city.

Suggested cycle routes and a [Cork Cycle Map](#) to help plan routes.

> Walking

Many restaurants and popular tourist attractions are within easy walking distance of each other.

Walking is often the quickest way to explore central Cork.

Please note that the MTU Bishopstown Campus is located outside the city centre.

More information about travelling around Cork and local transport details on a website purecork.ie.



Explore Cork

Cork is a vibrant city with a rich history, lively culture, and charming streets. Whether you want to enjoy local food, explore the city's streets or visit traditional markets, Cork has something to offer during your stay.

In the City Centre:

The English Market

Cork's most famous traditional indoor market, operating since the 18th century. Discover a wide selection of local produce, artisan foods, cafés, and Cork's food culture.

[More info on the website.](#)

Elizabeth Fort

A historic 17th-century fortification, where visitors can experience medieval atmosphere and enjoy panoramic views over the city. Located close to **St Fin Barre's Cathedral**.

[More info on the website.](#)

Cork City Centre Walking Routes

The lively city centre is ideal for exploring on foot, with many key attractions located close to cafés and restaurants.

[More info on the website.](#)

Optional Trips Outside Cork

If you have extra time before or after the programme, consider these popular destinations:

Cobh

A charming seaside town with rich maritime history, known for its colourful hillside houses and the **Titanic museum**.

It can be reached by train from Cork city centre.

[Visitor info on the website.](#)

Blarney Castle & Gardens

Famous for its beautiful landscaped **Gardens** and the **Blarney Stone**, a symbol of eloquence that visitors traditionally kiss.

Accessible by bus or taxi. Entry is ticketed and can be booked in advance.

[Tickets & info on the website.](#)



Practical Information



To help you prepare for your stay, please find below some useful tips for travelling to Ireland.

Weather

Ireland is known for its **changeable weather**, please keep this in mind while preparing for your trip. Even in summer season, the weather may change several times throughout the day.

Typical daytime temperatures range between **15 and 20°C**, with cooler mornings and evenings. While sunny weather is common, **rain showers** can occur at any time, sometimes within minutes.

What to pack:

- A light **waterproof rain jacket** or a **small umbrella**. 
- **Reliable footwear**.
- **Layered clothing** is recommended. 
- A **hooded jacket** and a **cap** can be especially practical during light rain.

Power Plugs

Ireland uses **Type G power plugs** (three rectangular pins) with an electricity supply of 230V / 50Hz.

Participants travelling from outside Ireland will need a **plug adapter**, available at airports, in local shops, or [online](#).



Currency and Payments

Currency: **Euro (€)**

Contactless payments are widely accepted. Cash is rarely needed, but small amounts for public transport may be useful.

Emergency Services:

Tel: **999 / 112**

Ambulance / Gardaí (Irish Police)

Dress Code

The dress code for daily activities on campus is generally comfortable, casual clothing suitable for study days and other activities.

For the INGENIUM Gala Dinner, participants may wish to wear something more special.



Gala Dinner

As part of the Gala Dinner, participants are warmly invited to present a short **cultural performance** representing their country (song, dance, etc.).

If you would like to take part, please contact us to arrange details.

Contact: ingenium@mtu.ie

Bishopstown Campus Cork



The Registration and Opening Ceremony will take place in the **1** Nexus Building

Contact Information:

If you have any questions prior to the arrival or during the week, please contact us!

Email: ingenium@mtu.ie

We look forward to welcoming you to Munster Technological University and to the Senior Summer School INGENIUM in Cork.

Fáilte go Corcaigh!

