

The National University of Ireland Galway and the city of Galway: A values driven collaboration



Ireland

- A member of the EU
- 6.6 million living in the Island of Ireland (Republic 4.75, North 1.85)
- Dublin (the capital city) is growing fast and currently attracting international business investment

Galway

- Located on the West coast of Ireland
- Population of around 258,000
- An Irish speaking region of the country



Galway (City and more)

- European Capital of Culture 2020
- Reputation for art, music and culture
- Tourist destination
- Very strong growth in medtech and data science companies
- Current population of 258,000 - expected to grow by 50-60% by 2040.





The University and the City

‘The beating
heart of the city’



NUI Galway
OÉ Gaillimh

NUI Galway

..established in 1845



NUI Galway Campus

- €400m – Capital Development Programme has transformed the campus
- NUI Galway – fastest expanding campus in the country
- Open campus – public spaces, river walks, tour boats sail past, walking tours, curate a number of museums



Our university ..at a glance

- >18,500 students
- >2,500 staff
- >90,000 alumni
- >175 years of tradition
- >100 hectares

1%

Based on the QS World University Rankings, NUI Galway is ranked in the top 1% of global universities.



In 2018 NUI Galway secured the Sunday Times University of the Year.



We've completed a multi-million euro capital programme, to ensure the best teaching and research environment.



We have been voted as one of the top 30 most beautiful campuses in Europe.



98% of our graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduating.

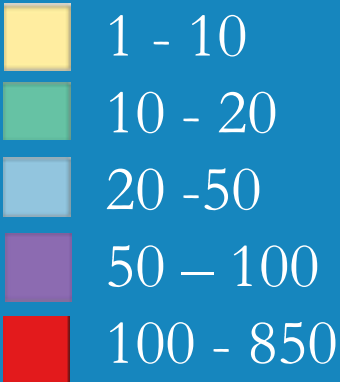


10% of students are undertaking their studying Irish or undertaking their studies through the language.



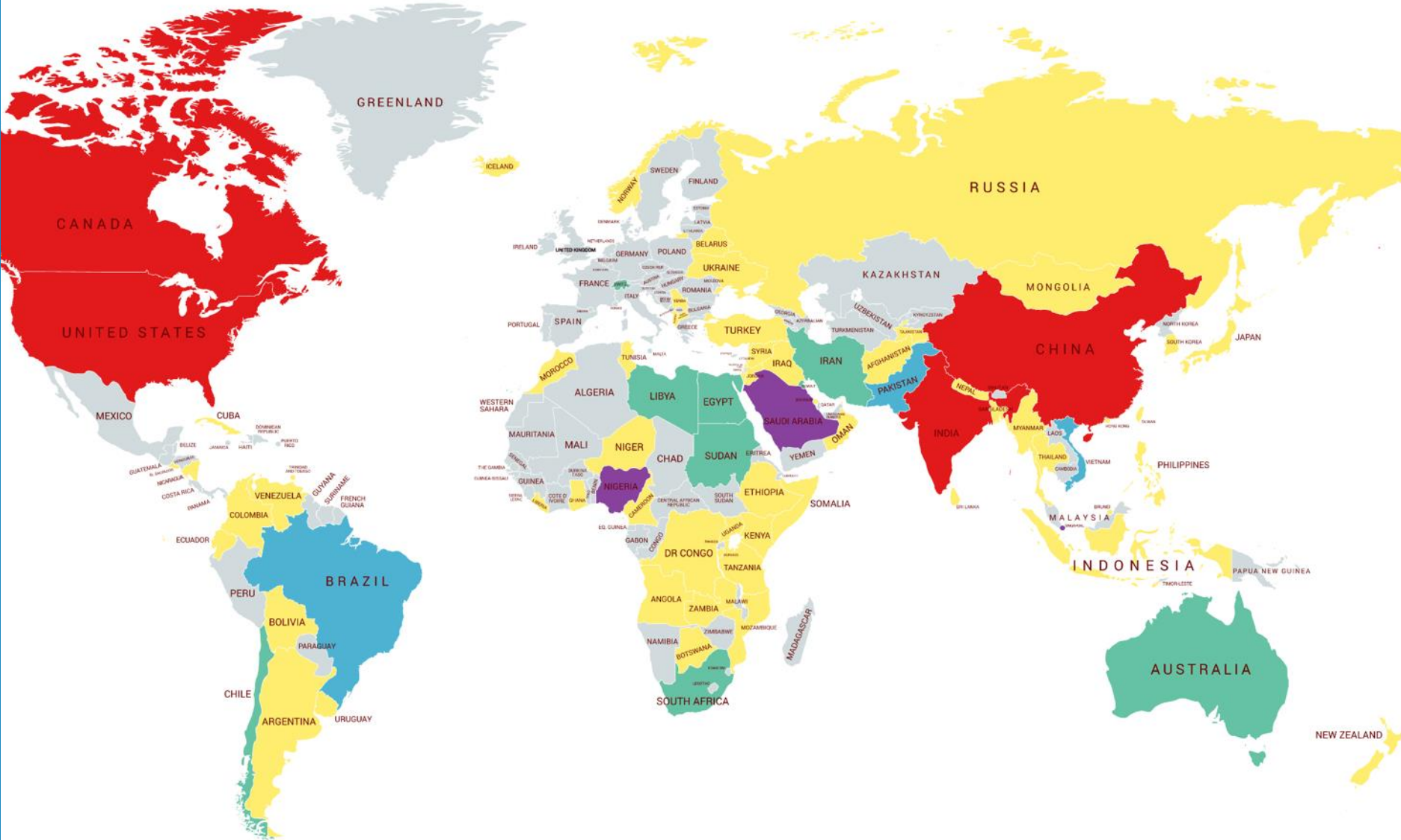
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Driving diversity in the region



>3,000

international students
from 115 countries



IMPACT

HARNESSING TECHNOLOGY

IMPROVING HUMAN HEALTH

NURTURING CREATIVITY

SHAPING SOCIETY

SUSTAINING OUR PLANET



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Innovation ecosystem

1. University-wide innovation and entrepreneurial supports

Undergraduate Entrepreneurship Programmes

- LaunchPad
- Explore

2. Research development and impact pathway support

- Research Office supports
- Innovation Office supports

3. Research and knowledge transfer

- Collaborative research
- Technology licensing
- Knowledge transfer and sharing
- Public engagement

4. Incubation supports

- Business Innovation Centre
- Block E BioInnovate and BioExcel hubs
- Dangan Life Sciences Innovation H

5. Training programmes, hubs, accelerators

- BioInnovate Ireland
- Health Innovation Hub Ireland
- BioExcel Medtech Accelerator
- TechInnovate



University and City: Values driven approach

- 'NUI Galway is for the public good'
- 'NUI Galway is a University of our time, dedicated to nurturing global citizens and addressing key questions facing our world'
- NUI Galway is a globally distinctive educational institution'



Our Values

- Respectfulness
- Excellence
- Openness
- Distinctiveness
- Sustainable



Strategy intended to
speak to more than
academia

The University wants the
city to join in owning the
strategy



Challenges

- Academia (often) looks elitist, inaccessible and uses language that isolates itself (even inclusive language is complicated)
- Galway local government structures are complex, fragmented and lack scale
- University and local government struggle to organise collectively to capitalise on strategic funding (Project Ireland 2040)
- The University crosses the boundary of city council and county council
- 'Key questions facing our world' aren't always the questions local communities feel relevant to them



NUI Galway Medicine – Class of 2018

A city is more than the council
and a University is more than it's
management team

- Through staff and students we have strong links to innovation, enterprise, community initiatives and voluntary organisations
- The values are asking staff and students to look outside the University
- By framing the strategy through values rather than academic activities (research, education etc.) creative collaboration between NUI Galway and the City of Galway is 'our business'



Dr. Jessamyn Fairfield NUI Galway: Nanoscience physicist Dr Jessamyn Fairfield, from the School of Physics, travelled on board the Antigua, participating in a program that brought together scientists and artists to explore how the Arctic and its exploration meet with art, science, architecture, education and activism.

An aerial photograph of a rugged coastline. The land is covered in green vegetation and has a complex, mountainous terrain. The water is a vibrant turquoise color, contrasting with the deep blue of the open sea. White clouds are scattered across the sky. A dark blue rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image.

Thank you



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