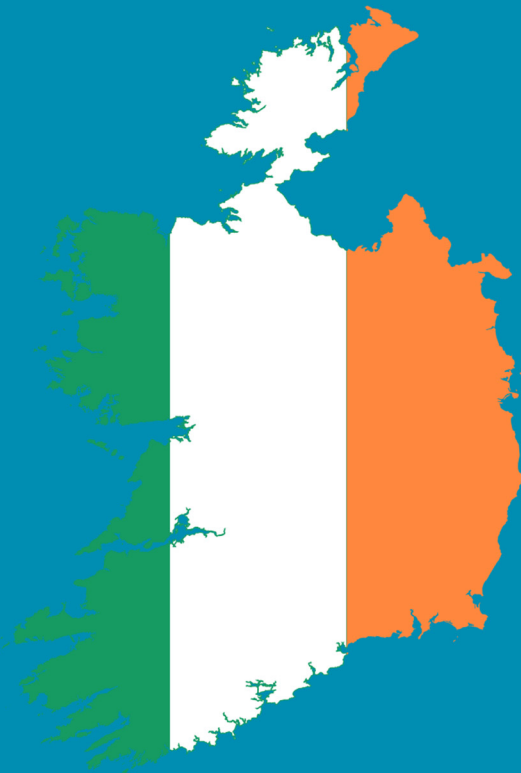


# U-MULTIRANK 2020

Irish Universities in Global Comparison



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U-Multirank is a unique, multi-dimensional and international ranking of higher education institutions. It compares university performance across teaching and learning, research, knowledge transfer, international orientation and regional engagement. It is the largest and most inclusive ranking showcasing the diversity in higher education around the world. It is not a league table and does not use composite indicators, nor reputation weights. Therefore, there is no one best university in U-Multirank. The performance of a university is presented with individual scores – graded from 'A' (very good) to 'E' (weak) across the different areas.

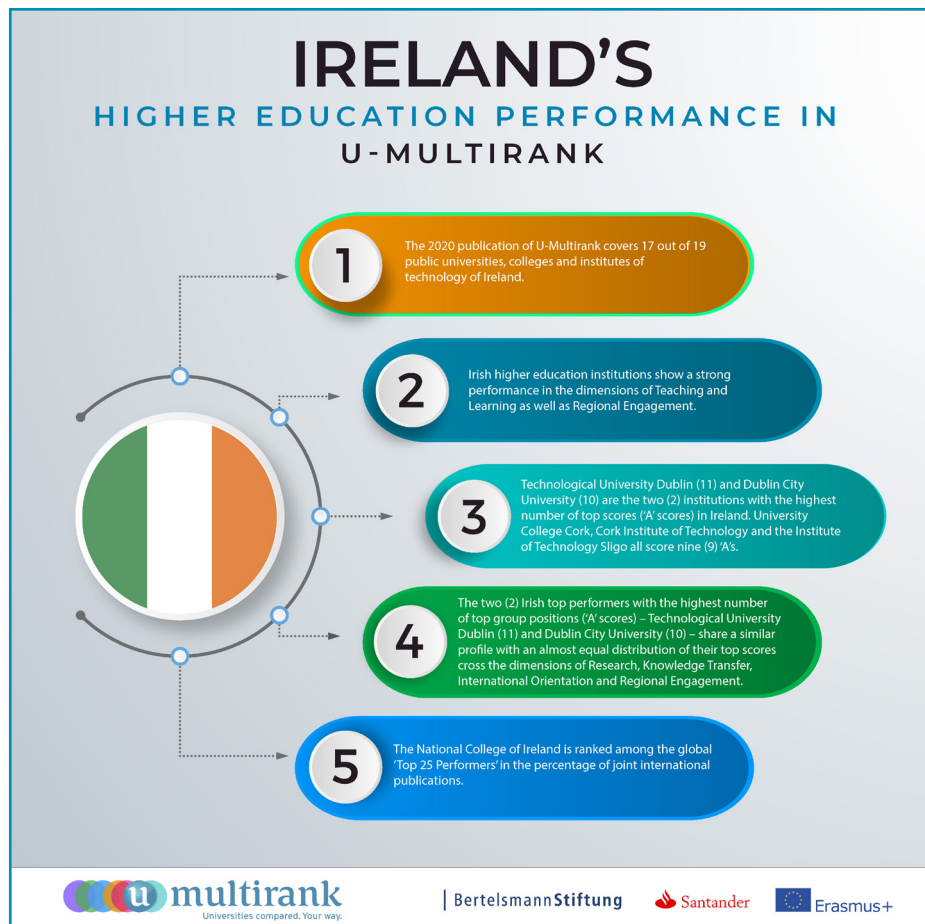
U-Multirank's 2020 edition presents data on 17 Irish higher education institutions. For the full list of all universities from Ireland included in U-Multirank, please visit our [website](#).

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## AT A GLANCE: HOW DO IRISH UNIVERSITIES FARE IN U-MULTIRANK?

- The 2020 publication of U-Multirank covers 17 out of 19 public universities, colleges and institutes of technology of Ireland.
- Irish higher education institutions show a strong performance in the dimensions of Teaching and Learning as well as Regional Engagement.
- Technological University Dublin (11) and Dublin City University (10) are the two (2) institutions with the highest number of top scores ('A' scores) in Ireland. University College Cork, Cork Institute of Technology and the Institute of Technology Sligo all score nine (9) 'A's.
- The two (2) Irish top performers with the highest number of top group ('A' scores), Technological University Dublin (11) and Dublin City University (10) share a similar profile with an almost equal distribution of their top scores cross the dimensions of Research, Knowledge Transfer, International Orientation and Regional Engagement.
- The National College of Ireland is ranked among the global 'Top 25 Performers' in the percentage of joint international publications.



## WHICH ARE THE TOP PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN IRELAND?

Technological University Dublin received the highest number of 'A' (very good) scores on the institutional level for Ireland in 2020.

In this section we highlight the universities receiving the highest number of 'A' (very good) scores on the institutional level for the respective country.

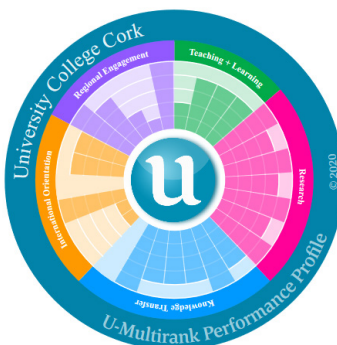
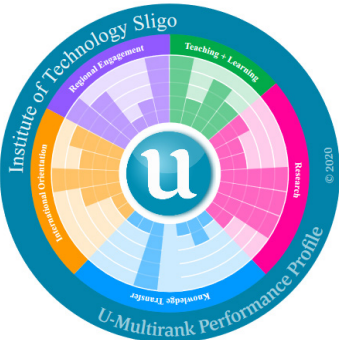
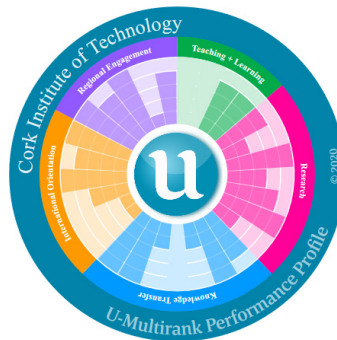
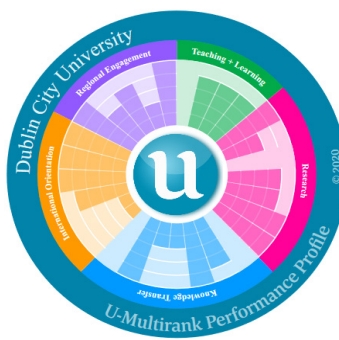
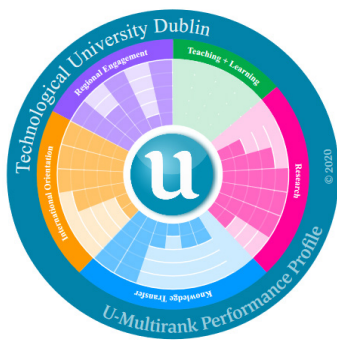
Although the number of 'A' scores shows top performance for the respective university, it does not imply one university is the 'best' in the country, as each university profile highlights different strengths.

Irish universities with the highest number of overall top scores in 2020	Total 'A' scores 2020	Total 'A' scores 2019
<a href="#">Technological University Dublin</a>	11 =	11
<a href="#">Dublin City University</a>	10 ↓	12
<a href="#">Cork Institute of Technology</a>	9 ↓	13
<a href="#">Institute of Technology Sligo</a>	9 ↑	7
<a href="#">University College Cork</a>	9 ↓	14

The list includes different profiles of institutions: comprehensive universities, as well as business schools and technical universities.

# WHAT ARE THE PERFORMANCE PROFILES OF IRELAND'S TOP SCORING UNIVERSITIES?

Using our unique sunburst chart, a clear picture is shown of the university's overall performance (the longer the bar, the higher the score).



## U-MULTIRANK PRESENTS SUNBURSTS

U-Multirank Performance Profile © 2014

### PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

<b>TEACHING &amp; LEARNING</b>	1 Bachelor graduation rate 2 Masters graduation rate 3 Graduating on time (Bachelors) 4 Graduating on time (Masters)
<b>RESEARCH</b>	5 External research income 6 Research publications (size-normalized) 7 Art related output 8 Citation rate 9 Topiced publications 10 Interdisciplinary publications 11 Post-doc positions
<b>KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER</b>	12 Income from private sources 13 Co-publications with industrial partners 14 Patents awarded (size-normalized) 15 Industry co-patents 16 Spin-offs 17 Publications cited in patents 18 Income from continuous professional development
<b>INTERNATIONAL ORIENTATION</b>	19 Foreign language bachelor programmes 20 Foreign language master programmes 21 Student mobility 22 International academic staff 23 International doctorate degrees 24 International joint publications
<b>REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT</b>	25 Bachelor graduates working in the region 26 Student internships in the region 27 Regional joint publications 28 Income from regional sources 29 Master graduates working in the region

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For a list of definitions and calculations of indicators, see our [Indicator Book](#).

# WHAT DO IRISH UNIVERSITIES DO BEST?

National College of Ireland has achieved a global Top 25 score in  
2020

## TOP 25 PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN INTERNATIONAL JOINT PUBLICATIONS

By U-Multirank



In this list we present the U-Multirank 2020 top performers on the indicator 'international joint publications'. The percentage of international joint publications reflects the degree to which a university's research is connected to international research networks. The top performers all have at least 75 per cent of their publications published with co-authors from abroad.

America  
3

Europe  
15

Africa  
1

Asia  
6

- Yachay Tech University (Ecuador)
- National University of Mongolia (Mongolia)
- King Abdulaziz University (Saudi Arabia)
- Ilia State University (Georgia)
- University of Liechtenstein (Liechtenstein)
- Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador (Ecuador)
- Namibia University of Science and Technology (Namibia)
- Innopolis University (Russian Federation)
- University Guglielmo Marconi (Italy)
- State Institution "Dnipropetrovsk Medical Academy of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine" (Ukraine)
- Bangor University (United Kingdom)
- London Business School (United Kingdom)
- Glyndŵr University (United Kingdom)
- Moldova State University (Moldova)
- National College of Ireland (Ireland)
- Ivane Javakishvili Tbilisi State University (Georgia)
- University of Balamand (Lebanon)
- University of Nova Gorica (Slovenia)
- London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (United Kingdom)
- Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (Peru)
- Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) (United Kingdom)
- Aberystwyth University (United Kingdom)
- Queen's University Belfast (United Kingdom)
- Lviv Polytechnic National University (Ukraine)
- King Saud University (Saudi Arabia)

\*The list is sorted by indicator scores in descending order; possible ties are not marked.



## Globally Top Performing Irish Universities

In this section, U-Multirank presents the global Top 25 performers in a set of 10 indicators measuring different dimensions of performance. These lists highlight the 25 top-performing universities from around the world with the highest scores.

Irish universities that have achieved a global Top 25 score are listed under the respective categories:

### International joint publications

- [National College of Ireland](#)

*\*For the full lists of all global Top 25 performers, please visit our [website](#).*

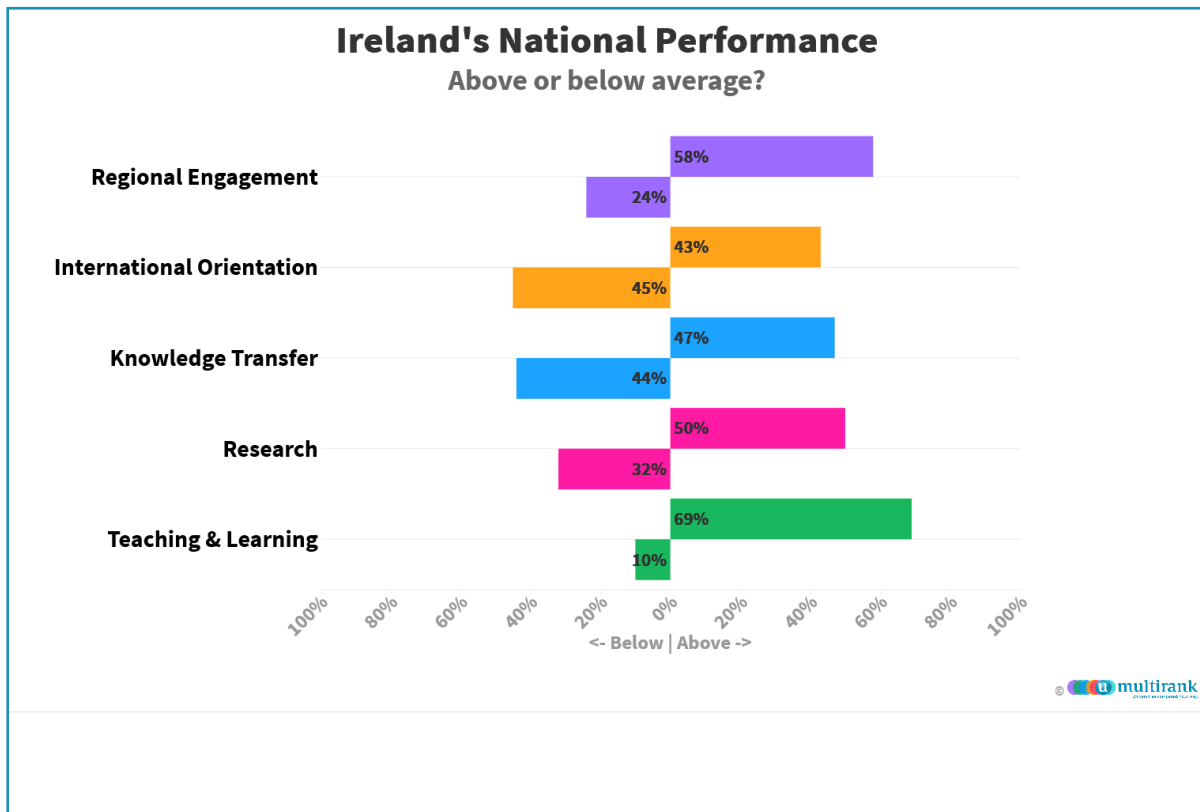
# HOW DO IRISH UNIVERSITIES PERFORM GLOBALLY?

Irish higher education institutions perform strongest in U-Multirank's Teaching & Learning and Regional Engagement dimensions.

## Above or below average?

In this section we highlight the overall performance of Irish universities on the institutional level per U-Multirank dimension.

The below table shows the national breakdown of Irish universities and how they stand across the spectrum of above average (receiving a score of 'A' (very good) or 'B' (good)), or below average (receiving a score of 'D' (below average) or 'E' (weak)). In doing so, U-Multirank offers a clear picture on the countries strengths, and areas for improvement.



# APPENDIX

## DETAILED RESULTS

If you want to analyse further the performance of the universities in your country you can click the following links.

The below links lead directly to the national results pages where we pre-filtered the universities in your country into one list (for the university as a whole and for the subject areas included in U-Multirank so far). You can use the table to produce national rankings (see image below), or for personalised interactive analyses with the data.

If you're interested in tailor-made tables (institutional level, subject level, or with a specific focus in mind, such as internationalisation), please contact us, at [info@umultirank.org](mailto:info@umultirank.org). These links are also accessible via your country's 'Study in' page.

University Your selection: 17 universities											
Level of study: bachelor, master, doctorate Regions: Ireland											
2020 2021 2020-2021	Teaching & Learning		Research		Knowledge Transfer		International Orientation		Regional Engagement		
	Bachelor graduation rate	Graduating on time (masters)	Citation rate	Research publications (size-normalised)	Co-publications with industrial partners	Patents awarded (size-normalised)	Student mobility	International joint publications	Bachelor graduates working in the region	Regional joint publications	
Trinity College Dublin	IE	-	-	A	A	A	A	-	A	-	B
Cork Institute of Technology	IE	-	B	C	D	A	D	C	A	A	A
Technological University Dublin	IE	-	-	A	D	D	D	B	A	A	A
Dublin City University	IE	-	B	B	C	B	A	B	A	A	B
University College Cork	IE	D	B	B	B	A	B	A	B	A	D
University College Dublin	IE	-	-	B	A	A	B	-	A	-	B
Maynooth University	IE	-	-	B	C	A	C	B	A	-	A
National University of Ireland Galway	IE	-	-	B	A	A	B	-	A	-	D
Institute of Technology Sligo	IE	A	C	A	D	D	E	C	B	A	E
Galway-Maynooth Institute of Technology	IE	C	B	B	D	A	E	C	A	B	B
National College of Ireland	IE	-	-	B	D	D	E	-	A	-	A
University of Limerick	IE	A	B	B	B	C	B	B	B	-	D
Athlone Institute of Technology	IE	A	B	B	D	C	E	C	B	B	D
Carlow Institute of Technology	IE	B	B	B	D	A	E	B	D	-	D
Dundalk Institute of Technology	IE	B	-	D	D	B	E	C	B	A	D
Institute of Technology Tralee	IE	B	B	X	D	X	E	C	X	A	X
Litlington Institute of Technology	IE	C	C	X	D	X	E	C	X	B	X

### U-Multirank's National University Rankings 2020-2021 – Ireland

- [Institutional Rankings](#)

- [Linguistics Rankings \(new\)](#)
- [Political Science Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [Social Geography Rankings \(new\)](#)
- [Sociology Rankings \(updated\)](#)

### U-Multirank's Subject Rankings 2020-2021 – Ireland

- [Business Studies Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [Earth Sciences/ Geology Rankings \(new\)](#)
- [Economics Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [Education Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [History Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [International Law Rankings \(new\)](#)

### Press materials:

- [Advanced press release \(includes graphics and tables for download in Appendix\)](#)
- [FAQ](#)
- [Overview Infographic 2020](#)





## WHAT IS U-MULTIRANK?

U-Multirank is a multidimensional, user-driven approach to international ranking of higher education institutions. It compares the performances of higher education institutions – in short: universities – in the five dimensions of university activity:

(1) teaching and learning, (2) research, (3) knowledge transfer, (4) international orientation and (5) regional engagement.

The U-Multirank web tool enables comparisons at the level of the university as a whole and at the level of specific study programmes. Based on empirical data, U-Multirank compares institutions with similar institutional profiles ('like-with-like') and allows users to develop their own personalised rankings by selecting indicators in terms of their own preferences.

Based on the results of a feasibility study covering 150 universities which was carried out in 2010/11, the European Commission decided to fund the implementation of U-Multirank. This roll out is carried out by a consortium led by Professor Frans van Vught of the Center for Higher Education Policy Studies (CHEPS), University of Twente in the Netherlands and Professor Frank Ziegele of the Centre for Higher Education (CHE) in Germany as well as the Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) from Leiden University, Fundacion CYD and Folge 3. U-Multirank is funded by the European Commission, the Bertelsmann Foundation and Banco Santander. The consortium also works closely with a range of national ranking partners and stakeholder organisations.

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