

# ICRPS Ireland 2015



# 12<sup>th</sup>

International Comparative Rural Policy  
Studies Summer Institute



NUI Galway  
OÉ Gaillimh

*Enabling Sustainable Rural Communities*

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University College Dublin, the National University of Ireland - Galway and Teagasc, the Irish Agriculture and Food Development Authority will host the twelfth annual International Comparative Rural Policy Studies (ICRPS) Summer Institute. International Comparative Rural Policy Studies (ICRPS) is a co-learning experience of international multidisciplinary faculty, guest speakers, graduate students and professionals.



Participants will study the many facets of rural policy, from policy formulation to policy impacts, and explore similarities and differences between their countries and those of other participants. The Summer Institute is designed for graduate and PhD students and professionals who wish to broaden their knowledge on rural policy.

The 2015 Summer Institute will take place both at University College Dublin (UCD) in Dublin, the capital of Ireland, and at the National University of Ireland Galway (NUI Galway) in county Galway on the West coast of Ireland, which is in close proximity to the world famous Burren and Connemara regions.



During the two week intensive programme both lectures and field visits will be used to examine a variety of the issues and opportunities currently facing rural areas in Ireland and beyond.

The main themes of this year's summer school are: (i) agriculture and food systems, (ii) coastal economies and ecosystem services, (iii) regional development, (iv) social structure and change and (v) governance.

A more detailed programme as well as additional information will be available on the summer institute website.



## How to Apply

Interested students or professionals can apply to their respective partner University or Institute within the ICRPS Consortium.

The overview of participating universities and Institutes is listed on the ICRPS website. In case the applicant is not attached to a partner University or Institute, please apply directly to Dr. James Breen at University College Dublin, Ireland ([icrps2015@ucd.ie](mailto:icrps2015@ucd.ie)).

**Complete guidelines for the application process will be available on the Summer Institute website.**

Applications for the summer institute should be submitted by April 12<sup>th</sup> 2015

Be aware that depending on home country, a student might need to apply for a visitor's Irish visa to take part in the Summer Institute. Successful applicants will be informed of their acceptance to the ICRPS program through an official letter of acceptance.

## Institute Fee

The estimated institute fee will be €1500 for Master and PhD students (€ 2000 for participants from non-partner institutions). It includes accommodation, most meals, support materials and field trip transportation. The fee does not include travel to the summer institute, as students will be expected to cover their own travel costs.



## Useful Links

University College Dublin  
<http://www.ucd.ie/>

National University of Ireland Galway  
<http://www.nuigalway.ie/>

Teagasc  
<http://www.teagasc.ie/>

Failte Ireland - the Irish Tourism Board  
<http://www.discoverireland.ie/>



## Contacts

ICRPS Website  
<http://www.icrps.org/>

For any further information please send an email to [icrps2015@ucd.ie](mailto:icrps2015@ucd.ie)