



UCD CONFERENCE AND EVENTS

UCD Summer Activities for Conference Delegates

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Catering Outlets

UCD features an extensive selection of cafés and restaurants to suit every taste. A wide range of options are available throughout the summer months.

Immerse yourself in the campus dining experience and enjoy the diverse flavours on offer during your visit.

UCD University Club

Situated adjacent to O'Reilly Hall overlooking the UCD lake, the UCD University Club is the ideal place to relax, catch up on work or network with peers. With friendly and professional staff, it is an inclusive, contemporary setting with a unique hospitality experience.

- ***The University Club Café***

The University Club Café is the ideal spot for a coffee to go or a quick bite, offering everything from breakfast to working lunches with a focus on fresh, nutritious options.

Start your day with a variety of hot and cold breakfast choices. Lunch includes daily hot dishes, soup, and a selection of gourmet sandwiches and wraps - perfect for a quick meal or a relaxed coffee with peers between sessions.

Monday - Friday 7:45 am - 4:30 pm
Breakfast from 07:45am - 11:30am
Lunch served from 12 pm - 2:30 pm
Bar service available from 12pm - 9pm

- ***The University Club Bar***

The Bar with its stunning views of the lake, has an extensive drinks menu and a carefully selected bar food menu on offer during evenings.

Casual dining is also offered, featuring pasta dishes, fresh salads, and other seasonal options - all made with 100% Irish produce

Wednesday - Friday 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Summer Opening hours are being finalised, contact enquiries.club@ucd.ie for further detail closer to the conference date.
For larger groups it is advised to book in advance.



- ***Bistro 1854 at the University Club***

Menus are tailored to combine excellent quality cuisine with attentive and efficient service.

Sittings are primarily by reservation, so make sure to [reserve your table in advance](#).

Summer opening hours are still being finalised, contact enquiries.club@ucd.ie for further detail closer to the conference date.

Bluebird Café:

Located in the Newman Building at the heart of campus, Bluebird Cafe offers freshly brewed teas and barista coffee with a selection of morning pastries, traybakes and sweet treats.

Monday - Friday 8:00am – 3:30pm

Pi Restaurant:

Located on the ground floor in the O'Brien Centre for Science. Pi offers daily hot meals plus a range of grab and go sandwiches.

Monday - Friday for Breakfast 8:00am – 11:30am

Lunch available - 12pm – 3pm

Pi Barista Coffee Dock - 8:00am – 3:30pm

Pulse Café:

Located on the ground floor of the Health Science Centre, Pulse offers a full range of made to order fresh salads and sandwiches, coffee and sweet treats - perfect to take on the go.

Monday - Friday 8:00am – 3:30pm

Confucius

Bringing traditional Chinese cuisine to the campus with comforting noodle stir-fries to aromatic soups and sizzling specialties, every dish is made with high-quality ingredients to deliver the best of Chinese flavors.

Monday - Sunday - 1200 - 2000hrs

Summer hours may vary

The Food Hall at UCD Village:

From street food, healthy bites, traditional coffees, casual dining. The UCD Foodhall serves breakfast, lunch and dinner along with snack options available throughout the day.

- ***The Buzz***

Enjoy a selection of coffee options including iced & cold brew coffees. breakfast pastries, scones, muffins & tray bakes

Open, Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

- ***Mikey's Diner***

Mikey's Diner offers a contemporary American menu with all the staples including smash burgers, pizza, street fries, wings and shakes among other items. Dine in or take out.

Open 7 days a week 8:00 am – 11:30 am & 12:00 am; 12:00 pm – 09:30 pm,

- ***Bullet Hong Kong BBQ***

Indulge in authentic Hong Kong-style BBQ at Bullet. Enjoy a selection of roast meats, served over rice for a satisfying meal.

Open daily, 11.30 - 08.30pm

- ***Sushi lab***

Discover a world of flavors at Sushi Lab. From traditional rolls to innovative creations, each bite is a culinary adventure

Open Daily 11:30 am – 08:30 pm

- ***The Local***

A small bar that serves all your favourite beers, wine & cocktails, 7 days a week.

Open 7 days a week from 3:00 pm - 10:00 pm

- ***Centra Convenience Store***

Centra is ideal for any conference delegates staying on campus for all essentials, it also features a deli counter serving cold and hot food, pastries, a salad bar and a pizza counter

Open 7 days a week 07:00 am – 10:00pm

Gather & Brew

Serving coffee, tea, breakfast post & more!

Open Monday- Friday 8:00 am -3:00 pm

Walkway Flavour Trail

Explore a diverse array of culinary delights located in the heart of campus.

Open Monday - Friday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Poolside Cafe

Located in the UCD Student Centre, Poolside offers great coffee, panini and toasties, ice cream and sweet treats.

Monday - Friday: 7:00am - 8:30pm

Saturday & Sunday: 8:00am - 5.30pm

Clubhouse bar

Located in the UCD Student Centre. The comfortable surroundings of The Clubhouse provides a relaxing atmosphere for all campus users.

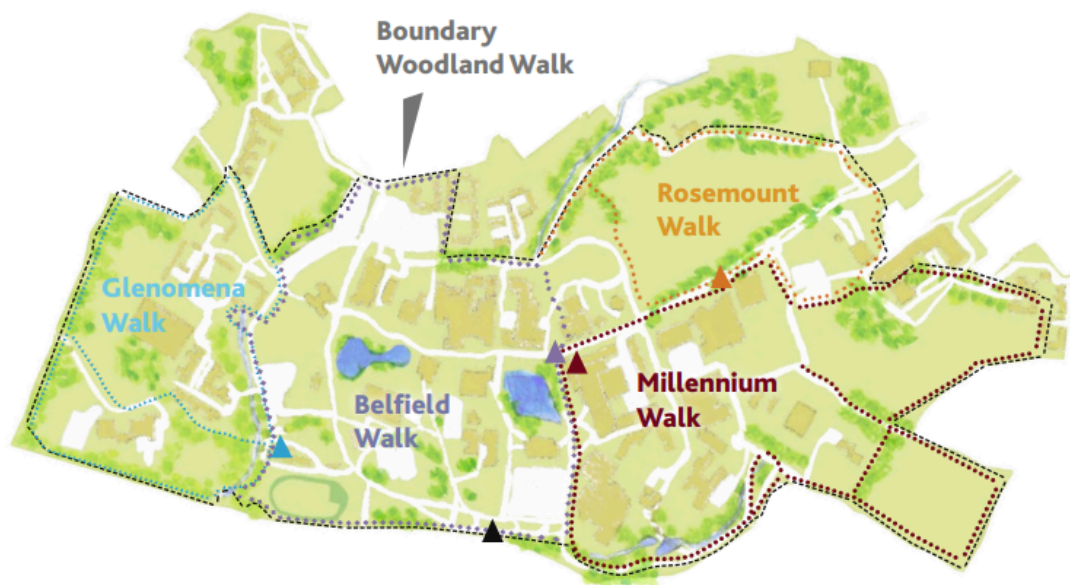
Open Monday to Friday 11:00 am - 11.30pm, proposed for summer 2026

Woodland walks

Enjoy a relaxing stroll through UCD's beautiful woodlands. Since the 1930s, when University College Dublin's Belfield campus was formed through the purchase of some of Dublin's finest period houses and estates, the campus has provided an important amenity to students, staff and the local community. Today UCD is known for its parkland setting and mature landscaping. Now over 8km of woodland paths have been created and a series of walks developed to open up the beautiful 133 hectare campus to a wider community.

Each walk has its own unique characteristics. Along the meandering paths, walkers will pass many mature trees dating from the 18th and early 19th centuries, which complement areas of new woodland planted as part of UCD's programme to maintain and enhance the ecological diversity of the campus for the benefit of all. Over 8km of woodland paths have been created and a series of walks developed to open up the beautiful 133 hectare campus to a wider community. Each walk (outlined on the map) has its own unique characteristics. Along the meandering paths walkers will pass many mature trees which complement areas of new woodland planted as part of the university's programme to maintain and enhance the ecological diversity of the campus.

Approximately 25,000 trees have been planted since 1998. Where appropriate, the species of trees planted reflects those originally planted at the time when the land was in private estates. The intention is to continue to increase this woodland over the coming years with these trees maturing within the next 100 to 200 years.



[Download the Woodland Walk PDF.](#)

Millennium Walk - 3.2km, duration 35-40 minutes

Following a meandering double line of oak trees, this path stretches from the UCD Bowl to the back of the UCD Veterinary Sciences Centre, and incorporates the UCD Newstead Precinct and the lakes and wild meadow at Woodview. The walk includes many features of ecological importance such as a pond and filter beds, a pine copse and wildflower meadow. This area has become a valuable habitat for wildlife and has a broad range of biodiversity.

Rosemount Walk - 1.8km, duration 20-25 minutes

This walk begins and ends at the UCD Sports Centre. It links the UCD Water Tower, Rosemount (UCD Environmental Research Station), UCD Oakmount Crèche, the Arboretum and the O’Kane Centre for Film Studies situated at the Magnetic Observatory. The Arboretum is a living museum containing many rare and unusual trees dating back to the original Rosemount estate. The university continues to add specimen trees and has developed a woodland meadow in this area.

Belfield Walk - 2.4km, duration 30-35 minutes

Encompassing the academic core of the campus, this walk begins and ends at the entrance to the UCD James Joyce Library and forms a green link between the heart of the campus and the woodland periphery of the former estates. This walk passes O’Reilly Hall and the lake which is home to a number of wildlife species including swans, ducks, fish and a range of other aquatic based wildlife.

Glenomena Walk - 1.9km, duration 20-25 minutes

This walk joins 3.6 hectares of established woodland on campus including Belfield Wood which runs alongside Belfield House, Merville Wood which is located alongside Merville House (NovaUCD), and Foster’s Avenue Wood. The path includes the tree lined avenue to Merville House and the Lime Walk.

Boundary Woodland Walk - 6.2km, duration 60-70 Minutes

Bringing the walks together, the 6.5km Boundary Woodland Walk extends around the perimeter of the campus to form a path linking the original and recently developed woodland areas with the wider campus landscape. Starting at the N11 entrance, this walk reveals some of the hidden treasures of the campus, such as the wildflower meadow and lakes at Woodview, the Arboretum, UCD’s growing collection of sculpture, a diverse array of wildlife, and many of the original period houses.

Please note that some woodland walks may be restricted due to current campus development projects

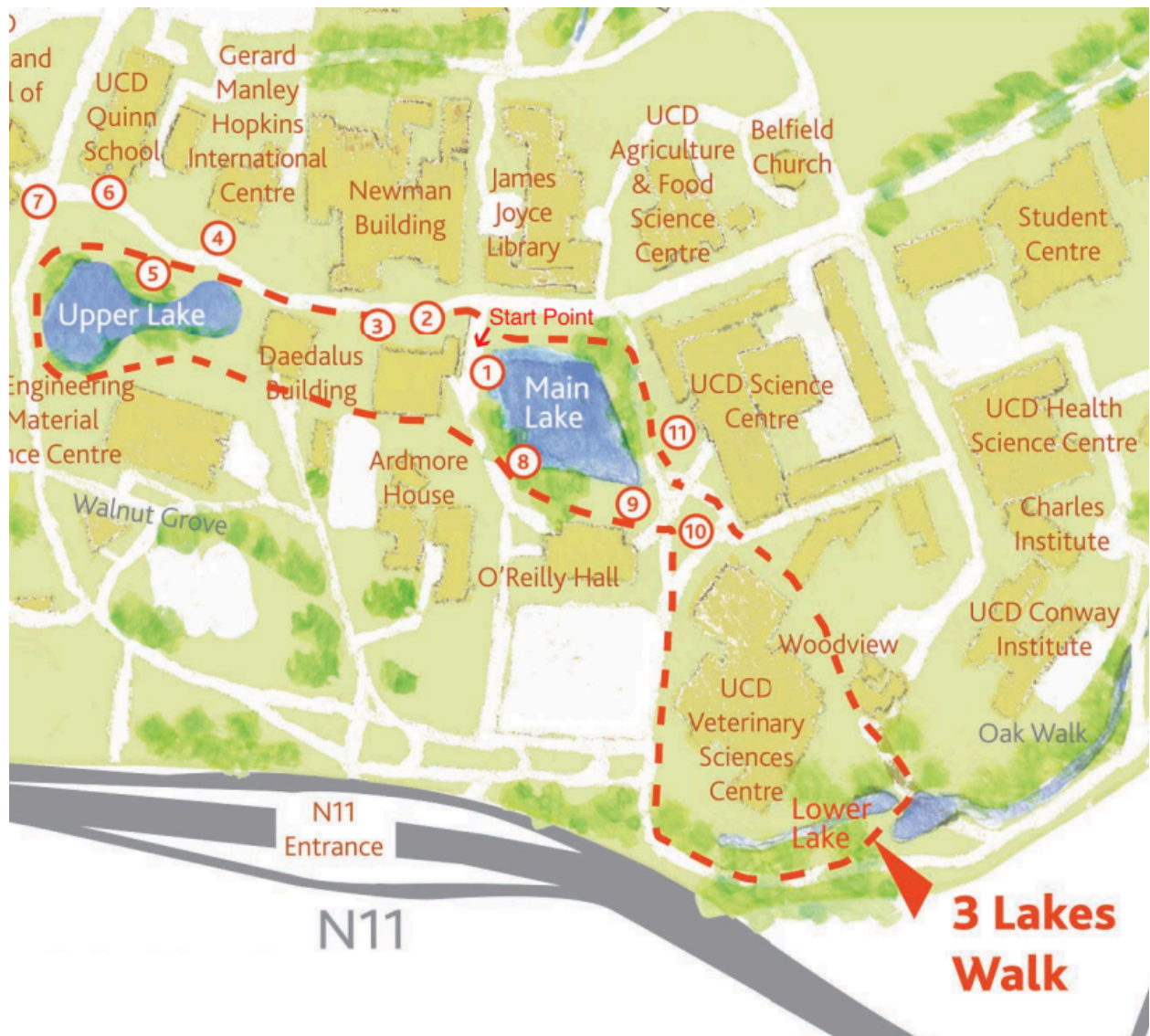
UCD 3 Lakes Walk

The 3 Lake Walk - 1.9km, duration 20-25minutes

This walk begins and ends at the plaza in front of the UCD James Joyce Library, linking together the three lakes on campus. It offers a unique journey that connects the vibrant energy of student life with the calm and tranquility of the woodland boundary.

As you follow the route, you'll encounter a rich variety of habitats, bringing you into close contact with an array of wildlife species that call the campus home.

Along the way, keep an eye out for sculptures that form part of the UCD Sculpture Trail, a collection developed through donations and acquisitions to enhance and complement the natural beauty of the campus.



UCD Sculpture Trails

The UCD Sculpture Trail comprises public works of art, donated or commissioned, that form an integral part of the urban fabric of the university, enriching the sense of place and the physical beauty of the natural environment. Varying in style and material, the collection is representative of national and internationally renowned artists.

Follow our Sculpture Trail Map to visit the treasures on our campus. From the iconic Noah's Egg to the oft photographed Rendezvous beside the lake, you will find a treasure trove of beautiful sculptures to visit and contemplate.

UCD Sculpture Trail Map



Download the [UCD Sculpture Trail here.](#)



UCD Sensory Trails

UCD is a dynamic and ever-evolving environment, with ongoing building renovations and new developments reshaping the campus. Spanning over 360 acres, it offers a unique balance of vibrant, busy spaces alongside peaceful woodland areas and quiet retreats.

In response to this changing landscape, UCD Access and Lifelong Learning, in collaboration with UCD Estate Services, have developed an accessible sensory trail using existing areas across the campus. The trail is designed to provide inclusive spaces for quiet reflection and recreation, supporting both physical and mental wellbeing.

The route guides users through a variety of natural beauty spots, walkways, forested areas, and calm spaces, creating opportunities for restorative breaks throughout the day. It is fully accessible and thoughtfully designed to accommodate a wide range of campus users.

The sensory trail enhances existing spaces through the addition of sensory planting, accessible pathways, and seating areas, ensuring a welcoming and engaging experience for all

Find out more about the [UCD Sensory Trail Locations here](#).

Campus Services and Amenities

UCD Pharmacy

UCD's Procure Pharmacy is located in the UCD Student Centre.

Opening Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Saturday - Sunday: Closed

Bank holidays: Closed

If you need to get in touch, contact Procure on 01 7163840

Campus Bookshop

An academic and general Bookshop, situated in the James Joyce Library building on the UCD Belfield Campus.

Opening hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday - Sunday Closed

College Collections

With an extensive collection of official UCD apparel, gift items and stationery, there is plenty to choose from! Located on the first floor of the Campus Bookshop, UCD College Collections is the perfect stop to pick up a memento from your visit with UCD

Opening hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday - Sunday Closed

Sports Facilities

UCD 50m Pool and Gym facilities

Located in the UCD Student and Sports Centre. Visit Dublin South's first-ever 50-metre Olympic swimming pool. Spacious, clean and modern gym floors make it easy to maintain your fitness goals during your stay.

Monday - Friday 6:00 am - 11:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday 8:00 am - 6:30 PM

Please note - conference delegates have access to pool and gym with presentation of conference lanyard/badge, access charge of €15 per day is applicable and subject to business levels

Running track

Located near the UCD Richview school of Architecture, the UCD outdoor running track is available for individual use and group bookings during designated hours. All information and booking is via Main Gym Reception in the UCD Student and Sports Centre

Group booking can be facilitated on request at relevant booking fee - to explore availability contact sportfacilities@ucd.ie

Opening hours

Monday 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Wednesday 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm & 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Friday 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Sunday 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

UCD Classics Museum

The UCD Classical Museum houses the largest collection of Classical antiquities on display in Ireland. Its holdings include coins, pottery, glass, and inscriptions, alongside thematic exhibitions that are updated regularly.

The museum plays a central role in teaching at University College Dublin and is open to the public, welcoming visits from schools and international groups. The collection is also an important resource for academic research.

Located on the second floor of the Newman Building, the museum is open to visitors several days a week, with free admission for all. Walk-ins are welcome during opening hours, and guided tours are available for pre-booked groups of up to 15 people.

Museum Opening Hours:

Monday 9.30-12.30

Tuesday 14.30-16.30

Wednesday 9.30-12.30

Thursday 14.30-16.30

Friday 9.30-12.30

Guided tours and access to the handling collection are available by appointment.
For enquiries, please contact: sasha.smith@ucd.ie

Reference Maps for Campus Services and Amenities

