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Infinite Possibilities

School of Computer Science



LTA Showcase 2024

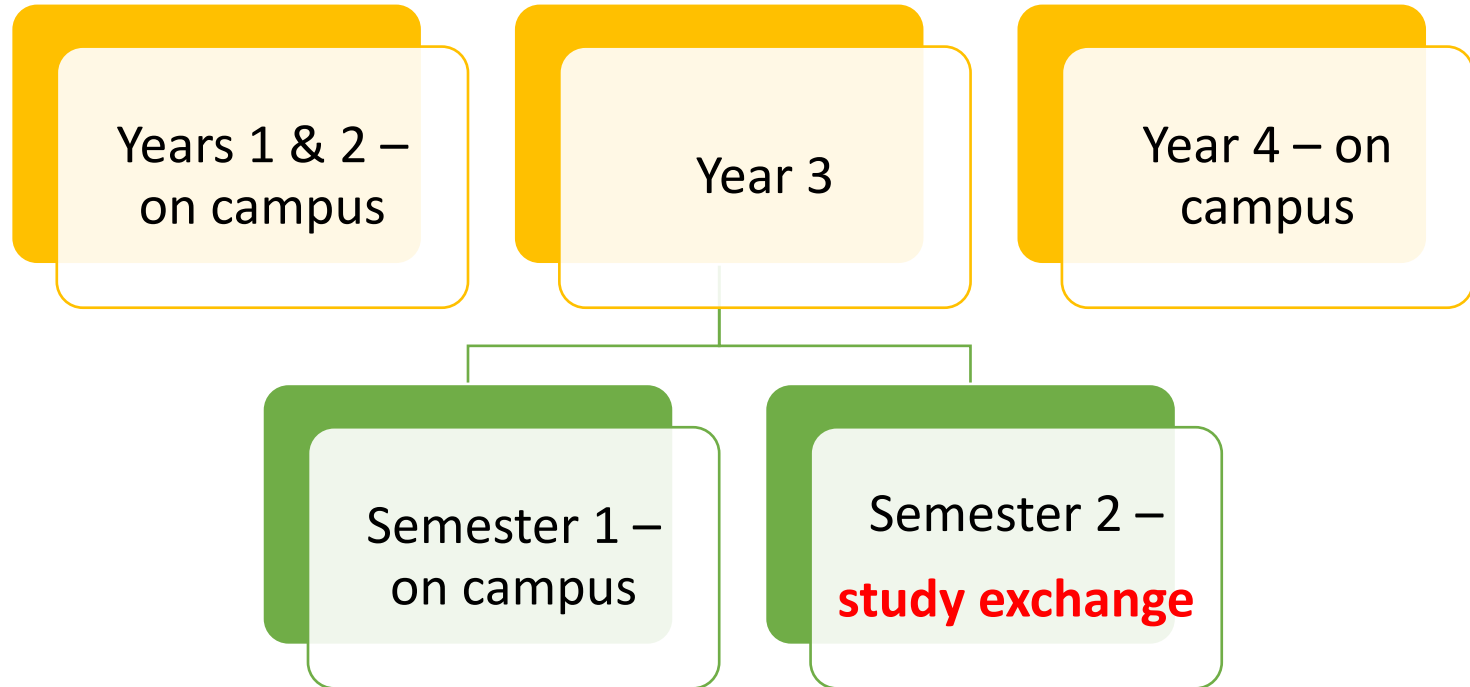
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Internationalisation strategies to support
inclusivity development in the BSc. in
Computer Science International (TU858)

BSc in Computer Science International – Structure





National Housing crisis



Many TU858 students renting accommodation in Dublin & suburbs



Cannot afford to continue paying rent & pay costs for foreign study exchange



Result – some students sought special exemption from mandatory exchange. Feeling of **exclusion**



Addressing the issue

- School offers an optional, fully online module (year 3) – Global Classroom (10 ECTS) over single semester
 - Team-based (4-5 students)
 - Develop a large-scale software application
 - Students may be widely dispersed geographically
- Very popular module, especially with incoming exchange students

- Partner universities were offered places on Global Classroom in exchange for free dormitory / housing
 - i.e., essentially a partial scholarship to TU858 students
- Costings were conducted, **minimal** additional School resourcing required for extra places on Global Classroom
- **Strong** interest from partner universities, many approved and housing was offered
- Agreement signed





Win – Win result

- TU Dublin
 - TU858 students concerned can now participate on study exchange – **Inclusion for all**
 - Maintain existing rented accommodation while abroad
- Partner universities
 - Students can take Global Classroom remotely (online)
 - 10 ECTS recognised
 - Successful students receive CPD from TU Dublin

Supplementary strategy

- Some partner universities inviting the School as a named applicant for national funding from host country
- If successful, funding used to offer additional partial housing scholarships to TU858 students in need



These strategies have increased
TU858 student motivation and
engagement

Students feel included

Questions?

