NUI Maynooth – Winter or Summer semester?

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| **First Semester only** | **Second semester only** |
| Is very short – only three months. This is because we do not require our incoming students to come back after Christmas to sit their exams, which take place in January. | Is four months long, as students take their exams in May, at the end of their semester. |
| There is a huge shortage of accommodation in the first semester as many domestic and international students are looking for a place to stay. | There is more accommodation available in the second semester, as oftentimes domestic students move back home, or drop out, etc. |
| Due to capacity, students may not be able to get into all classes they wished to attend. | The lower number of students means that students are more likely to be accepted in all classes they put down on their LA. |
| The weather!!it can be an obstacle when it comes to travelling, or enjoying activities with our student societies. | The weather is far better in the second semester, which means the students can better enjoy travelling around the isle. The evenings get longer and allow for more activities outside. |

**Questions?**

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