



Trinity College Dublin

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The University of Dublin



Message from VPGR

Dear Partners and Colleagues,

As we face in to a new academic year and a new reality of life ahead of us, I would like to take this opportunity to extend our deepest gratitude for the help and support you have all provided our students in the semester past and the support in the weeks and months yet to come as students prepare to embark on an exchange amidst all the uncertainty in the world, whether in the Fall or Spring semester. In times like these, we value our international partners more than ever and all the hard work that international offices worldwide have put in.

In March this year soon after the first cases of Covid-19 were diagnosed in Ireland the government made a decision to close schools and universities. Almost overnight classes and all teaching went online and for the remaining part of the semester students completed their learning, assessments and examinations online. This situation was similar in many universities around the world. However now, with a

marked decrease in the number of new cases, restrictions have begun to ease and a phased reopening over the coming weeks has been outlined by the government.

In Trinity we are also planning all aspects of the coming academic year ensuring that all public health guidelines are met in order to welcome exchange students back on campus safely. In terms of teaching we will be providing a hybrid model, where large lectures will be online and small group teaching, tutorials and laboratory classes will be in person as much as possible. We acknowledge that social distancing will be part of the way we live for the coming year and we are preparing the campus to enable this. However, in as much as possible we want to ensure that the clubs and societies can continue to operate while always adhering to public health guidelines.

On behalf of all here at Trinity College Dublin, I hope that you and your family, loved ones and colleagues remain healthy, safe and well.

Prof. Juliette Hussey

Vice-President for Global Relations



Key Updates

- ▶ We are delighted to announce that the GPA requirement for incoming exchange students has now been changed from 3.3 to 3.1 with immediate effect. Please note that very few individual areas of study may have different requirements. E.g. Economics and Philosophy require a 3.5 GPA and Political Science specify a 3.3. More information on this is available in the Study Abroad Guide www.tcd.ie/study/assets/PDF/studyabroad2020
- ▶ Trinity has formally approved an additional option for incoming exchange students for 2020 to prove English language proficiency where relevant, using Duolingo. Students must attain a minimum overall score of 110/160, dated since January 2020. In addition, IELTS, TOEFL iBT, PTE and Cambridge tests will be accepted for 3 years after the date of the exam instead of 2 years.
- ▶ As of December 2019, Trinity's student exchange partner universities that offer three-year degree programmes can now nominate students to join Trinity's exchange programme for the second year of studies.
- ▶ Please note that our colleague Sean O'Brien has now moved departments within Trinity and incoming applications will now be processed by Natalie Baldwin. Further information can be found in the Application section below.
- ▶ Trinity have made the decision to allow our students to embark on an exchange and also to welcome exchange students on our campus where this is permitted by the partner university for the Fall and Spring semesters.
- ▶ For more information on Trinity's response to the Coronavirus, please make sure to regularly check the following link for updates: www.tcd.ie/about/coronavirus



Academic Year Structure

6 September 2020
Semester Start
Up Programme
Semester 1

21 – 25 September 2020
Orientation Dates
Semester 1

28 September
– 18 December 2020
Semester 1 (Fall)
Teaching Dates

9 – 13 November 2020
Reading Week
(no classes)
Semester 1

11 - 22 January 2021
Exam Period
Semester 1*

24 January 2021
Semester Start
Up Programme
Semester 2

Date: TBC
Orientation Dates
Semester 2

1 February
– 23 April 2021
Semester 2
(Spring)
Teaching Dates

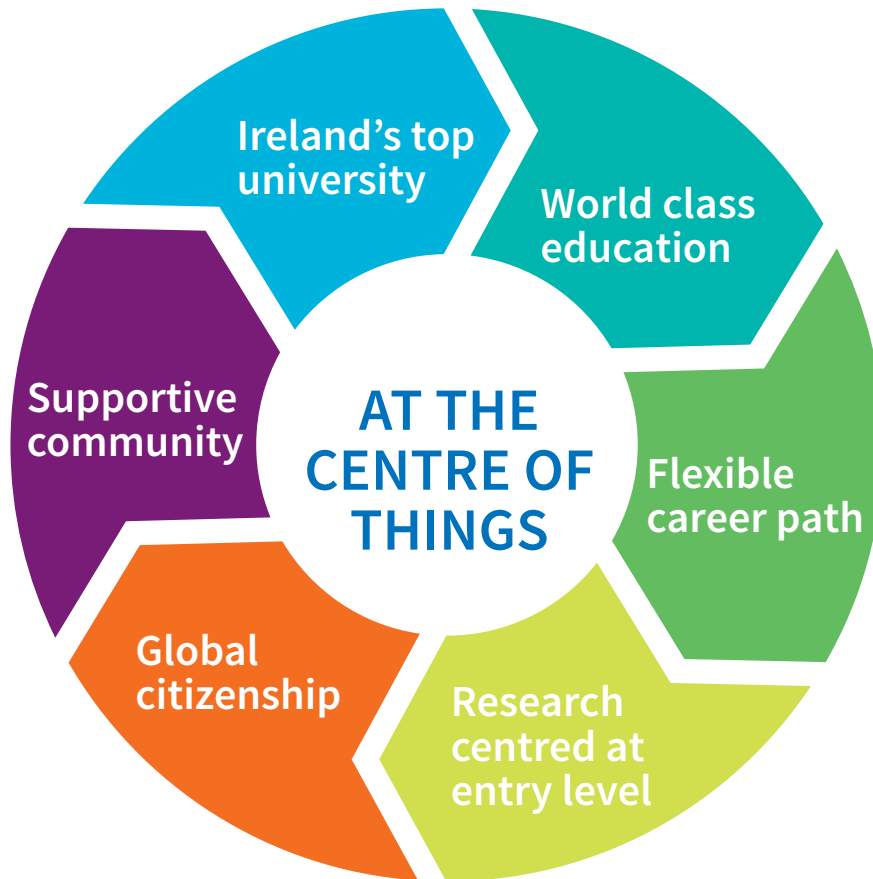
15 – 19 March 2021
Reading Week
(no classes)
Semester 2

10 – 28 May 2021
Exam Period
Semester 2

**Please note assessment for Semester 1 will be taking place online.*



The Trinity Education



Ireland's Most Innovative University

*Trinity is ranked No.1 in Ireland for innovation
Reuters Most Innovative Universities 2019*



Ireland's Leading University

*Trinity is ranked No.1 in Ireland
QS World University Ranking 2021 and Times
Higher Education World University Ranking 2020*



170+ Clubs & Societies

Trinity has 170+ sports clubs and student societies, including some of the oldest societies in the world



1st in Europe for Producing Entrepreneurs

*Trinity is 1st in Europe for producing entrepreneurs for the 5th year in a row
Pitchbook Universities Report 2019*



Top 10 Most Beautiful Universities

*Trinity is ranked in the top 10 most beautiful universities in Europe
Times Higher Education Rankings 2018*



17th Most International University

*Trinity is ranked as the 27th Most International University in the World
Times Higher Education World University Ranking 2020*

Application

GPA	3.1 cumulative <i>*Please note that very few individual areas of study may have different requirements. e.g. Economics and Philosophy require a 3.5 GPA, Political Science specify a 3.3.</i>
How to Apply	Apply through our online application system: www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php
Deadline to Apply for Admission	Semester 2, 2021 Application Deadline: 15th October 2020 Full year and Semester 1, 2021 Application Deadline: 15 April 2021
Contacts for Applications to Trinity	Natalie Baldwin, Executive Officer - Applications and Admissions nbaldwin@tcd.ie
Contact for Exchange Applications Outbound from Trinity	Non-EU Exchange Coordinator, Academic Registry international.exchange@tcd.ie
Application Process for Exchange Students	Applicants are required to have the following when applying: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 3.1* GPA on official transcript ▶ An academic reference on headed paper, with signature ▶ A personal statement ▶ Exact modules listed in chosen disciplines
Nominations Process for Partners	If a university wishes to nominate students they must send an email to Natalie Baldwin (nbaldwin@tcd.ie) confirming the nomination and if they are sending the student on a fee-paying or exchange basis. A nomination does not act as an application and the students applying must still complete the online application through the Trinity online application system: www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php

Areas of Study

Faculty of Engineering, Mathematics & Science

Biochemistry and Immunology
Biology
Botany
Environmental Sciences
Plant Sciences
Chemistry
Computer Science and Statistics
Engineering: General Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, *Civil Engineering, *Electronic Engineering, Biomedical Engineering
General Science
Genetics
Geography
Geology
Mathematics
Microbiology
Physics: Astrophysics, General Physics, Theoretical Physics
Zoology

Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Business
Classics
*Drama
Economics
Education
*English
European Studies
*Film
French
Gender and Women's Studies
Germanic Studies
Hispanic Studies
*History
History of Art and Architecture
Irish and Celtic Languages
Italian
*Law
Linguistic, Speech and Communications Science
Music
Near and Middle Eastern Studies

*Philosophy
*Political Science
*Psychology
Religions, Theology and Ecumenics
Russian and Slavonic Studies
Social Work and Social Policy
Sociology

Faculty of Health Sciences

Nursing and Midwifery
(Please note that while Trinity welcomes pre-med study abroad students, study abroad students cannot enrol in modules in the School of Medicine)

The Lir

Modules at The Lir, National Academy of Dramatic Art are now available to exchange students, but students cannot cross-register in other Schools/Departments if taking modules at the Lir due to scheduling.

**Schools and Departments noted with an asterisk (*) are particularly in demand, so early applications are recommended.*

Credit

Students typically take 30 ECTS per semester at Trinity. ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) is a credit weighting, so the number of modules (classes) a student takes at Trinity varies on the credit values for each of their modules, which usually have a 5, 10 or 15 ECTS value. Students must take a minimum of 20 ECTS in a semester and 45 ECTS for the academic year. Students are encouraged to also check in with their home universities for credit load requirements.

Academic Supports

All visiting undergraduates are provided with a Tutor who is available to assist with any academic or personal issues or concerns. The Office of Student Learning and Development is also available to help with any academic concerns: student-learning.tcd.ie. Any queries or concerns can also be redirected to the Study Abroad Team.

Immigration and Visa Information

Visa Application

Students from some non-EU countries will require a visa to enter Ireland. Lists of visa-required countries and further information on visa application procedures are available here: www.tcd.ie/study/international/before-arrival/visa-immigrations/index.php

Students can also check if they need a visa here: www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/check-irish-visa

INIS Information

All students who do NOT hold an EU passport must register with the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service (INIS) after arrival in Ireland. Further information on the requirements to register can be found at the INIS website: www.inis.gov.ie. Students with EU passports must enter on their Irish or EU passport in order to avoid non-EU entry processes. For INIS related queries, please contact the Global Room: tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie

Housing and Accommodation

The Study Abroad Team will give applicants instructions on how to apply for accommodation. Accommodation on-campus is extremely limited. The majority of our exchange students live in Trinity-approved accommodation at the Binary Hub (semester or year accommodation) or in Kavanagh Court (year only accommodation), modern, purpose-built student residences located in the city centre a short walk from Trinity. www.tcd.ie/accommodation

Student Life

Clubs and Societies

Trinity has over 170 clubs and societies. Find out how to get involved at the following link: www.tcd.ie/students/clubs-societies

Student Services

Academic Registry: www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/contact
Disability Service: www.tcd.ie/disability
Student Counselling: www.tcd.ie/Student_Counselling
Health Service: www.tcd.ie/collegehealth
Sports Centre: www.tcd.ie/Sport
Students' Union: www.tcdsu.org
Equality Office: www.tcd.ie/equality

Global Room

The Global Room team provides guidance and support to international students on a wide range of issues including immigration, accommodation and all aspects of life at Trinity.

www.facebook.com/TrinityGlobalRoom
www.tcd.ie/study/international/trinity-life/global-room

For more information, please contact:

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Orientation

- **Airport Meet and Greet:** This Airport Welcome service is available to all incoming students and is run by the Global Room and its student ambassadors. Please book in advance of arrival. www.tcd.ie/study/international/trinity-life/arrival
- **Additional Material:** For more information please see the Trinity Welcome Guide www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/Welcome-to-Trinity-College-Dublin or check out the new Study Abroad Guide: www.tcd.ie/study/PDF/studyabroad2020

Costs and Insurance

Estimated Living Costs

Housing: Trinity-approved accommodation options include Binary Hub and Kavanagh Court. 2019/2020 Binary Hub rates are €4,940 for Semester 1 and €5,200 for Semester 2, with a full year rate of €10,200. Unfortunately, Campus Housing is very limited and as a result not available (however, if you have a student with mobility needs, etc. please let us know.) We will provide links to Trinity's Student Union Accommodation Advice for any student interested in living in alternate accommodation options but are not able to assist students in procuring accommodation outside of the approved options.

Utilities: €1,000

Meals: €3,000

Books and Miscellaneous: €2,500

Commuting: €1,000

Insurance: (required for non-EU students) €200-€1,800

Immigration registration: (if applicable) €300

Understanding Ireland: €400

Optional one-week pre-term programme

Total: €14,230 – €15,950

Insurance

Students arriving from outside of the EU should contact their health insurance provider to determine if they are covered while studying abroad and if not they will need either to arrange health insurance prior to departure or purchase insurance locally in Ireland. Private health insurance cover is mandatory for non-EU students in order to register with the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service (INIS). Students often use university plans or study abroad plans recommended by the home university, but must confirm that their plan meets immigration requirements.

Information about Irish health insurance plans can be found here:

www.tcd.ie/study/international/trinity-life/arrival

You can find the INIS insurance guidelines at the following link:

inis.gov.ie/PrivateMedicalInsuranceforfulltimeNon-EEAStudents

Student Travel

For discounted rates on student travel, students purchase a Student Travel Card. www.studentleapcard.ie



Meet the Team



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Fedelma leads a transnational team in the development and implementation of Trinity's Global Relations Strategy and internationalisation policies.



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Louise works to support and develop the international student experience at Trinity.



Natalie Baldwin
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Natalie is the Activity Administrator for Non-EU Visiting applications at Trinity College Dublin.



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Andrew reviews and processes students' applications to the Non-EU College Wide exchange programme.



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If you have any transcript related queries or would like to request a copy of your students' transcripts please contact Adrienne Drumm or Luke Fitzgerald.

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