



## Message from the Associate Director, Partnerships and Global Mobility for Trinity Global

Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin

Trinity is a globally engaged university, we are committed to educating the next generation of global citizens and global leaders.

Working with you, as one of our global partners, is one of the many ways we strive to provide a global experience for all our students.

We look forward to engaging with you and your students throughout the coming academic year.

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## Key Updates

- ▶ A reminder that our GPA requirement for incoming exchange students has been changed from 3.3 to 3.1. 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/study-abroad/SAGuide2023.pdf](http://www.tcd.ie/study/assets/PDF/study-abroad/SAGuide2023.pdf)
- ▶ Trinity continues to provide an additional option for incoming exchange students for 2023-24 to prove English language proficiency (where relevant) using Duolingo. Students must attain a minimum overall score of 110/160, dated since January 2020. IELTS, TOEFL iBT, PTE and Cambridge tests are valid for two years after testing date.
- ▶ 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.
- ▶ Incoming applications will continue to be processed by the Academic Registry NonEU Admissions Team ([noneu.incoming@tcd.ie](mailto:noneu.incoming@tcd.ie))





# Academic Year Structure

21 August 2023  
Semester Start  
Up Programme  
Semester 1

4th - 8th September  
Orientation Dates  
Semester 1

11th September -  
1st December  
Semester 1 (Fall)  
Teaching Dates

23rd - 28th October  
Reading Week  
(no classes)  
Semester 1

11th - 16th December  
Exam Period  
Semester 1

(Date TBC)  
Semester Start  
Up Programme  
Semester 2

Date: TBC  
Orientation Dates  
Semester 2

22nd January - 12th  
April 2024  
Semester 2  
(Spring)  
Teaching Dates

4th - 8th March  
Reading Week  
(no classes)  
Semester 2

29th April - 4th May  
Exam Period  
Semester 2



# The Trinity Education



**1<sup>st</sup>**

**Trinity is Ireland's leading University**

(QS World University Ranking 2024 and THE World University Ranking 2023)

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Ireland has the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest quality of life in the EU**

(United Nations Human Development Index 2022)

**16<sup>th</sup>**

**16<sup>th</sup> Most International University in the World**

(THE World University Ranking 2023)

**34%**

**34% of our student body is from outside Ireland, from 125 countries**

**81<sup>st</sup>**

**81<sup>st</sup> World Ranking**

(QS World University Rankings 2024)

**91<sup>st</sup>**

**91<sup>st</sup> in the World for Graduate Employability**

(QS Graduate Employability Ranking 2022)

# Application

<b>GPA</b>	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>
<b>How to Apply</b>	Apply through our online application system: <a href="http://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php">www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php</a>
<b>Deadline to Apply for Admission</b>	Applications are assessed on a rolling basis with the following application deadlines: Semester 2, 2024 Application Deadline: 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 Full Year and Semester 2024-2025 Application Deadline: 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
<b>Contacts for Applications to Trinity</b>	Replace with NonEU Admissions Team, Academic Registry <a href="mailto:NonEU.Incoming@tcd.ie">NonEU.Incoming@tcd.ie</a>
<b>Contact for Exchange Applications Outbound from Trinity</b>	International Exchange Coordinator, Academic Registry <a href="mailto:international.exchange@tcd.ie">international.exchange@tcd.ie</a>
<b>Application Process for Exchange Students</b>	Applicants are required to have the following when applying: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 3.1* GPA on official transcript</li> <li>▶ An academic reference on headed paper, with signature</li> <li>▶ A personal statement</li> <li>▶ Exact modules listed in chosen disciplines</li> </ul>
<b>Nominations Process for Partners</b>	If a university wishes to nominate students, they can use the nomination form which will be issued each semester for completion. Any queries relating to nominations can be emailed to <a href="mailto:NonEU.Incoming@tcd.ie">NonEU.Incoming@tcd.ie</a>  A nomination does not act as an application and the students applying must still complete the online application through the Trinity online application system: <a href="http://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php">www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php</a>

# Areas of Study

## Faculty of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

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

## Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Business  
Classics  
Economics  
Education  
English\*  
European Studies (Hilary term only)  
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 - European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)

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

▶ Students have access to academic supports across Trinity, and will receive advice from the Study Abroad team during orientation to introduce them to the supports available. The Office of Student Learning and Development is also available to help with any academic concerns. They can be emailed on [student.learning@tcd.ie](mailto: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/arriving-in-ireland/visa-immigration/index.php](http://www.tcd.ie/study/international/arriving-in-ireland/visa-immigration/index.php)

Students can also check if they need a visa here:

[www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland](http://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland)

### Immigration Service Delivery (ISD) Information

All students who do NOT hold an EU passport must register with the Immigration Service Delivery (ISD) after arrival in Ireland. Further information on the requirements to register can be found at the ISD website:

[www.irishimmigration.ie](http://www.irishimmigration.ie). Students with EU passports must enter on their Irish or EU passport in order to avoid non-EU entry processes. Immigration information is provided to students during orientation, and additional immigration advising is available through the Trinity Global Room at:

[tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie](mailto:tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie)

## Accommodation

In 2023-24, Trinity will have a portfolio of accommodation through referral agreements with 3<sup>rd</sup> party private student accommodation providers. We are not in a position to guarantee housing to all incoming visiting students at the moment but are working on increasing our offerings. Students are asked to get in touch early if they require housing and follow instructions given promptly. Accommodation types will vary depending on the site/location but will be modern student accommodation ideal for study abroad students. These locations provide top of the range student accommodation in Dublin city within walking and short commuting distance of Trinity. Further information on accommodation options are sent to all applicants after each application deadline from [study.abroad@tcd.ie](mailto:study.abroad@tcd.ie).

## Student Life

### Clubs and Societies

Trinity has over 120 clubs and societies. Find out how to get involved at the following link: [www.tcd.ie/students/clubs-societies](http://www.tcd.ie/students/clubs-societies)

### Student Services

Academic Registry: [www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/contact](http://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/contact)

Disability Service: [www.tcd.ie/disability](http://www.tcd.ie/disability)

Equality Office: [www.tcd.ie/equality](http://www.tcd.ie/equality)

Health Service: [www.tcd.ie/collegehealth](http://www.tcd.ie/collegehealth)

Sports Centre: [www.tcd.ie/sport](http://www.tcd.ie/sport)

Student Counselling: [www.tcd.ie/student\\_counselling](http://www.tcd.ie/student_counselling)

Students' Union: [www.tcdsu.org](http://www.tcdsu.org)

### Trinity Global Room

The Trinity 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](https://www.facebook.com/TrinityGlobalRoom)

[www.tcd.ie/study/international/student-experience/global-room.php](http://www.tcd.ie/study/international/student-experience/global-room.php)

For more information, please contact: [tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie](mailto:tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie)

# Orientation

Further information on support will be provided to students prior to their arrival.

Useful orientation information can be found at: [www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/visiting-exchange/index.php](http://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/visiting-exchange/index.php)

**Orientation:** Trinity offers an orientation programme for all inbound study abroad and exchange students. More information can be found at: [www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/visiting-exchange/index.php](http://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/visiting-exchange/index.php).

**Semester Start-Up Programme:** The Semester Start-Up Programme (SSP) is an optional pre-orientation programme that offers an immersive orientation to Trinity, Dublin and Ireland. It is taught by the School of Histories and Humanities and more information, costs and duration can be found here: [www.histories-humanities.tcd.ie/visiting/understandingireland/semester-start-up.php](http://www.histories-humanities.tcd.ie/visiting/understandingireland/semester-start-up.php). Students can enrol by checking Yes next to 'SSP' on their application

# Additional Materials

Additional information can be found at the following links:

**The Study Abroad Guide** and **How to Apply Guide**, along with the link to apply, can be found here: [www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound](http://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound)

Pre-Arrival materials including the **Welcome to Trinity** and the **Study Abroad Pre-Arrival Guide** can be found here: [www.tcd.ie/study/prospectus](http://www.tcd.ie/study/prospectus)

# Costs and Insurance

## Estimated Living Costs

(Certain costs will vary depending on a single semester or full year exchange but examples provided are based on a full year)

<b>Housing:</b>	Approximately €8,000–€11,000 for full academic year
<b>Utilities:</b>	€1,000–€2,000
<b>Meals:</b>	€3,000–€5,000
<b>Books and Miscellaneous:</b>	€2,500
<b>Commuting:</b>	€1,000
<b>Health Insurance:</b>	€550 (required for non-EU students)
<b>Immigration registration:</b>	€300 (all non-EU passport holders. Additional entry visa costs may apply)
<b>Personal Spending:</b>	€2,000–€3,000
<b>Airfares:</b>	€2,000
<b>Total:</b>	€20,350 – €27,350 Approx

## 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 Immigration Service Delivery (ISD). Students often use university 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/arriving-in-ireland/health-insurance](http://www.tcd.ie/study/international/arriving-in-ireland/health-insurance)

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

[www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/private-medical-insurance](http://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/private-medical-insurance)

## Student Travel

For discounted rates on student travel, students should purchase a Student Travel Card. [www.leapcard.ie](http://www.leapcard.ie)

# Contact us



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Heather supports our inbound Study Abroad and Exchange programme. General queries relating to our inbound study abroad (fee paying visiting students) and exchange student programmes can be emailed to the Global Mobility team on [study.abroad@tcd.ie](mailto:study.abroad@tcd.ie).



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## Academic Registry

Our colleagues in Admissions process all inbound applications.

For queries relating to nominations or applications, please email [noneu.incoming@tcd.ie](mailto:noneu.incoming@tcd.ie).



## Global Mobility

For queries related to international exchange and global mobility, please email [global.mobility@tcd.ie](mailto:global.mobility@tcd.ie)



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