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Why go on exchange?
Academic Differences
United States and Canada

– Begin with general studies
– Pick a ‘major’ to specialise at the end of second year
– Emphasise on continuous assessment – this can include in class quizzes, group presentations and mid terms
– A lot more class participation. No where to hide!
– Difference in approach to the student. You may feel you are monitored more closely!
– Canadian note: The curriculum is slightly more concentrated than in the US. They also declare their major earlier
University of Massachusetts Amherst
Massachusetts

- Ranked 251
- 29,000 students
- Founded 1863
- Flagship
- Minutemen and Minutewoman
- UMass is suited to exchange students who can be flexible in their course selections
University of California

California

- Founded 1868
- Combined student body circa 238,700
- 10 campuses
- Famous Alumni: Edith Head (Berkeley) Gregory Peck (Davis) among others... including many Nobel Prize winners and Turing Prize winners.
UNC Chapel Hill
North Carolina

- Founded 1795 – one of the oldest public schools in the state. One of the 8 original public Ivy League schools
- Circa 8,900 student
- QS World Ranking: 79
- Student ‘Honour Code’
- Famous Alumni: Michael Jordan
- Mascot: Ramses the Ram
Notre Dame
Indiana

- Founded 1842
- Circa 11,000 students
- Open to Arts and Letter, ‘Hard Sciences’ and engineering.
- QS World Ranking: 195
- Home of the ‘Fighting Irish’
- Mascot: Leprechaun
- Famous Alumni: Jed Bartlett (for West Wing fans!) and Condoleezza Rice
Georgetown University
Washington DC

- Founded 1789
- Circa 7,000 students
- QS World Rankings: 213
- Strong subjects: Classics and languages
- Patrick Francis Healy – Known as the ‘Second Founder’.
- Famous Alumni: Bill Clinton and director of ‘The Exorcist’, Peter Blatty
- Mascot: Jack the Bulldog
University of McGill
Montreal

- Founded 1821
- Faculty of Arts is the largest academic unit
- QS World Ranking: 24
- Circa 39,500 students
- Famous Alumni – 12 Nobel Prize Winners, Win Butler, Leonard Cohen and Burt Bacharach
- Montreal Canadiens ‘The Habs’– Ice Hockey
University of Toronto
Ontario

- Founded 1829
- Circa 33,700 undergraduate students
- QS World Ranking: 34
- Discovered insulin in 1921
- Built the first practical electron microscope
- Mascot: True Blues
- Famous Alumni: Donald Sutherland, William Faulkner and Margaret Atwood.
University of Waterloo
Ontario

- Founded 1957
- Circa 30,600 students
- Largest faculty of engineering in Canada
- QS World Ranking: 152
- Sports team known as the Waterloo Warriors
Application Procedure

• 2.1 in JF summer exams
• Download application form - signed by departmental coordinator
• Portal print-out or results, signed stamped and dated by your department.
• List up to 8 colleges in order of preference
• Hand in hard copy application to Academic Registry, marked for the attention of Non EU Outbound Co Ordinator
• Nominated by Non EU Outbound Co Ordinator
  - Apply to college directly once you accept your nomination
Things to know

- **Who is your Co-Ordinator?**
- Offers academic advice
- Best resource for information
- Signs off on your learning agreement
- Makes the final call

- **What is a Learning Agreement?**
- A document, signed and agreed, by your home academic co-ordinator and your exchange academic co-ordinator
- Necessary to ensure that you are studying relevant subjects and have enough credits
- Flexible

Beware of academic restrictions. Please see the website at: tcd.ie/study
In Summary!

- Research colleges
- Speak to your academic coordinator
- Check credit conversion
- Email noneuex@tcd.ie
- Apply by 18 November 2016

Please see: http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/from-trinity/college-exchanges/
Thank You