Erasmus, International Exchange and Visiting Student Welcome Meeting

Erasmus/Visiting Student Welcome
Dr. Michelle D’Arcy
21st Sept 2016
Structure of meeting

- Departments and co-ordinators
- Structure of academic year
- Choosing modules and module load
- ECTS credits at Trinity College
Departments and co-ordinators

• School of Business, James White (business.exchange@tcd.ie)
  Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday 09:30 – 12:30.
  Room: Undergraduate Office, 3rd Floor, School of Business, Aras an Phiarsaigh

• Department of Economics, Dr. Eleanor Denny (dennye@tcd.ie)
  Office hours: Monday 10.00 – 12.00 Room 3030, Arts Building

• Department of Political Science, Dr. Shane MacGiollabhui
  (smacgiol@tcd.ie) Office hours: Tuesday 14.00 – 16.00; Room 4.03, 4.06, 2-3 College Green

• Department of Sociology, Dr Laura Graham (lagraham@tcd.ie)
  Office Hours: Tuesday 11.00 – 13.00, Wednesday 15.00 – 16.00 and Thursday 14.00 – 15.00 Room 2.04, 3 College Green

• Department of Philosophy, Thursday 22nd, 2.30-4pm
  Room: Arts block 5009
Political Science and Sociology

Economics and Philosophy Depts

Business School
Structure of academic year

• **Term 1 (Michaelmas Term, MT):** Teaching Starts 26\textsuperscript{th} September
Reading Week – Week 7 (November 7\textsuperscript{th}) \textit{No lectures and tutorials during this week}
Teaching ends – 16\textsuperscript{th} December

• **Term 2 (Hilary Term, HT):** 16 January to 8 April
Reading Week- Week 7 (27\textsuperscript{th} February)

• **Term 3 (Trinity Term, TT):** 10 April to 26 May
First three weeks: Study and revision (no classes)
Examination period: 1 – 26 May
Public holidays in Ireland

• 31 October 2016 (Halloween)
• 17th March 2017 (St. Patrick’s Day)
• 14th – 17th April 2017 (Easter)
• 1st May 2017 (May Bank Holiday)
Some important websites

• Regularly check your @tcd.ie account!

• Many lecturers in Trinity College Dublin use Blackboard Learn and Turnitin.com
  - **Blackboard Learn**: Lecture notes, readings etc are posted here (you will be registered automatically after your module registration form is processed. Lecturers can also add you manually)
  - **Turnitin.com**: some modules require submission of assignments via this channel (plagiarism check), you receive further information in the relevant assignment guidelines.
  - Plagiarism Policy; [http://tcd-ie.libguides.com/plagiarism/calendar](http://tcd-ie.libguides.com/plagiarism/calendar)
Some general advice

• Keep us informed of your progress or difficulties during your time at Trinity College. Your Erasmus coordinator is also your tutor while you are here.

• Other sources of support: Student Counselling Service – student-counselling@tcd.ie; Chaplaincy service – chaplaincy@tcd.ie; Student2Student – student2student@tcd.ie; Student Health Centre; Student Union.
How to pick your modules?

• Take about 80% - 100% of a Trinity student’s module load (but meet the requirements of your home university); visit some modules in first week to help you decide

• Take a good mix of modules subject to schedule and restrictions: you cannot take modules that clash on the timetable
### What is the right module load?

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- We do not recommend taking more than 30 credits per term. If your home institution asks you to do more, please contact your TCD Coordinator for assistance.
- Equally, we will not sign a module registration form that is too light (e.g. just one or two modules)
### ECTS credits at Trinity

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<td>4th Year (Senior Sophister, SS)**</td>
<td>7.5/10 credits***</td>
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** The Department of Political Science does not accept Visiting and Erasmus students in SS (4th year) modules.

*** Exchange students do an additional assignment
Registering for modules

• Module registration form (included in Welcome Pack)

• Get this form signed by relevant coordinator for all modules

• Submit to Academic Registry Service Desk with all signatures complete. They will register you officially on the system. Ensure module codes are correct. If there are clashes you will not be able to register

• Ensure you have signatures from coordinators outside Business and Social Sciences and Philosophy (SSSP) if needed before submitting!
Signing Session

Wednesday 28th September
6-7pm
Edmund Burke Theatre,
Arts Block

Submit forms on Thursday 29th to
Academic Registry
Choosing Modules

https://www.tcd.ie/ssp/undergraduate/study-abroad/Incoming/
Sociology modules (www.tcd.ie/sociology)

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Final-year modules are available – please consult with coordinator.
Business Modules

One Semester  Michaelmas Term ( Semester 1)
Exchange/Visiting students enrolling in any module should drop the last digit of the module code and replace it with a B for e.g. BU3520 becomes BU352B
Change of Mind Form

- If you want to drop or add a module you need to fill out a change of mind form, have it signed by your coordinator and submit to Academic Registry

- **DEADLINE: OCTOBER 12TH**
Time spent in the classroom

- Most modules involve 2-3 hours per week in the classroom in lectures, seminars and tutorials, and about 5 hours per week reading and preparation (emphasis on independent study).

Tutorials:
Note that many modules will offer several tutorials that cover the same topic – usually students are assigned to a tutorial group. If in doubt ask your lecturer.

Assessment:
Almost all modules award a proportion of the final mark to essays, assignments, tests etc and a proportion to an exam
Buddy System

• Run by Trinity students to help you feel at home and to make your stay in Ireland more enjoyable.
• Incoming students are assigned a Trinity Student Buddy - many who have studied abroad themselves
• Buddies organise events throughout the year such as nights out in Dublin, cultural trips to the cinema, museums and theatre and at least one weekend trip each term.
• Open to visiting and exchange students studying business, economics, philosophy, political science and sociology.