School of Business
School of Social Sciences and Philosophy

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Trinity College.... Founded in 1592
A University of Global Consequence
WHAT IS BESS?

- Business
- Sociology
- Economics
- Political Science
Gain an understanding of the role of management and organisation in society and knowledge of:

- marketing, finance, accounting, entrepreneurship, strategy, human resources, innovation, operations, information systems and many more.
Economics

Develops the concepts and tools to understand:
- How to limit / prevent unemployment
- How to regulate financial markets
- How to control the market power of large firms
- How best to address climate change
- How to help poorer countries grow and develop
Political Science

- The scientific study of politics, the exercise of power and the workings of democratic political institutions
- Students will learn about
  - How democracy works
  - How people vote
  - How political parties compete
  - How European integration works
  - The values behind political ideologies
Sociology

Understand phenomena such as
- Social change and how it affects your own life and that of others
- Shared practices of behaviour
- Social movements like fair trade or feminism
- Inequality at global and local levels
- The nature and meaning of work
Degree options in BESS

- Business
- Economics
- Political Science
- Sociology

- Business & Economics
- Political Science & Sociology
- Economics & Sociology
- Business & Political Science
- Sociology & Business
- Economics & Political Science

Single Honors  Joint Honors
What will I study?

- Start with a grounding in all four subjects
- Then continue with those that interest you
- In the last two years choose the modules that interest you in one or two subjects
- Plus there’s the opportunity to study abroad in third year
Junior Freshman – 1st Year

- Introduction to Organisation and Management
- Introduction to Economics
- Introduction to Political Science
- Introduction to Sociology
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Another module of your choice (Language, Law or Social Policy)
Senior Freshman – 2nd Year

- Ensures you have the fundamental skills in the one or two subjects you choose.
- Option to continue with Language module
- Broad Curriculum module option
- Foundation Scholarship
Specialise in one (Single honor) or two (Joint honors) subjects

Option to undertake an undergraduate dissertation in the final year

Ordinary (3rd Year) or Honor (4th Year) degrees

Careers or continuing education information sessions provided
Languages options (French, German, Polish, Russian and Spanish) are integrated into the BESS programme

Students can choose to study abroad during their third year:

- Europe
- Asia
- USA
- Canada
Your future

- BESS Graduates are highly sought after by leading employers
  - Financial Services and Accountancy
  - Academia
  - Economic and Political Journalism
  - Public Services
  - International Business
  - Management Consulting
  - Entrepreneurial Ventures
  - Professional Training
Why Choose BESS?

- Study at Ireland’s No.1 University in Ireland’s No.1 departments in their fields
- Look at the world around us in a variety of ways
- Combines flexibility, breadth and depth
- Student Centred Programme
- Exceptional Calibre of Students
- Strong reputation
- Highly Sought After Graduates
Applying for BESS
CAO Points 2010–14

2010 475*
2011 480*
2012 490*
2013 495*
2014 495
The Trinity Experience

- Many societies organised by and for students
- Some BESS relevant Student Societies
  - DUBES – Dublin University Business & Economic Society
  - Political Science Society
  - Social Studies Society
  - AIESEC
  - Foresight
  - Enterprise Trinity
  - Upstart
- Something missing? Organise it yourself!
Other programme options at TCD linked to BESS subjects

- PPES: Philosophy, Political Science, Economics & Sociology
- Business & Language / Law / Computer Science
- TSM: Economics & Sociology
- Political Science & History / Geography / Law
- Sociology and Social Policy
To find out more about BESS

- Information stands for BESS, Business, Economics, Political Science and Sociology are located in the Examination Hall (Front Square)
- Visit our website and FAQ page at www.tcd.ie/bess
- Send us an email to bess@tcd.ie
And Finally....

We hope you enjoy Open Day 2014 and choose BESS as your first preference CAO choice

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