WHY STUDY ABROAD AT TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Trinity is Ireland’s top ranked university, and the only Irish university in the World Top 100 Universities.

Founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth I, Trinity is Ireland’s oldest and most prestigious university.

Trinity boasts a multicultural environment with 17,000 students from 122 countries and 40% of staff from outside of Ireland.

Trinity offers a vibrant student experience with over 200 college societies and sports clubs.

Trinity is situated in the heart of Dublin City, at the centre of the country’s transport hub, in a beautiful campus which contains a wonderful mix of historic buildings and modern facilities.

Trinity has a state-of-the-art sports centre on campus which includes a 25 metre pool with a floating floor, in addition to a 11-metre climbing wall.

Trinity is one of the world’s only universities to provide all undergraduate students with a personal tutor – a professor who provides academic, personal and professional guidance.

Trinity is recognised as a top international centre for research and holds a library collection of over 6 million books and electronic access to over 30,000 journals.

Trinity is a world leader in Law, Medicine, Information Technology, Immunology, Mathematics, Nanotechnology, Engineering, Psychology, Politics, English and many more.

Trinity’s Global Room is a hub for international student activities and provides a space which fosters and encourages greater interaction between international students and the rest of the student body.

Trinity offers situation based learning with internship opportunities in global companies located in Ireland.

“[Studying at Trinity] was the best decision I’ve ever made.”
– Céline Brandstötter, Maastricht University

Don’t take our word for it, read first-hand accounts of student experiences on our Study Abroad Blog: www.tcdglobal.wordpress.com/category/study-abroad/
Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, is one of Europe’s most renowned and historic universities. Founded in 1592, Trinity is Ireland’s most prestigious university and is a centre of teaching and research excellence.

Courses at Trinity offer experiential learning opportunities, small-group work, tutorials, seminars and access to our Professors, who are both approachable and experts in their fields.

Ranked No. 1 in Ireland by the 2016-2017 QS World University Rankings, Trinity remains at the cutting edge of research, technology and innovation and offers students unparalleled academic, professional and social opportunities for growth and development.

Trinity’s international reputation for academic excellence is just one of the many reasons why study abroad students choose Ireland’s leading university again and again.

**Academic Support**

Trinity provides all undergraduate students with a Personal Tutor: a blend of mentor and advisor, who provides personal and academic advice and support throughout a student’s time in the University. Tutors assist students with any difficulties they may experience, listen to their concerns and help them to get the most out of their time at Trinity.
## Modules are available to students in all of the following Departments:

### Faculty of Engineering, Mathematics & Science
- Astrophysics
- Biochemistry and Immunology
- Botany
- Chemistry
- Computer Science and Statistics
- Civil, Structural & Environmental Engineering
- Electronic & Electrical Engineering
- Genetics and Microbiology
- Geography
- Geology
- Mathematics
- Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering
- Physics
- Theoretical Physics
- Zoology

### Faculty of Health Sciences
- Nursing and Midwifery

For more information on course options please visit: [www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/)

### Faculty of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences
- Business
- Classics
- Drama
- Economics
- Education
- English
- European Studies
- Film
- French
- Gender and Women’s Studies
- Germanic Studies
- History
- History of Art and Architecture
- Hispanic Studies
- Irish and Celtic Languages
- Italian
- Law
- Linguistic, Speech and Communications Science
- Music
- Near and Middle Eastern Studies
- Psychology
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Social Work and Social Policy
- Religions, Theology and Ecumenics
- Russian and Slavonic Studies

### Credit Transfer

Study abroad students can choose courses offered in all three Trinity faculties and become part of both a distinguished history and a bold and exciting future. All Trinity modules (courses) carry ECTS credits (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System). Students normally take 25 to 30 ECTS per semester, and a total of 60 ECTS per year. Students should check with their home institution’s study abroad policy to ensure that credit transfer is as smooth as possible.
**Understanding Ireland: Semester Start-Up Programme**

*Understanding Ireland* offers an introduction to Dublin, Ireland and Trinity’s academic life before teaching term begins for semester or year study abroad students. The programme comprises three strands: Irish History; Archaeology, Art and Architecture; and Irish Writers through the Ages. Combining excursions, small group teaching and engaging lectures, *Understanding Ireland* is a wonderful way to get to know Ireland and Trinity before beginning the academic term. The programme is optional and incurs an extra charge to the Study Abroad programme. For Autumn-entry students, the programme runs for three weeks and is worth 5 ECTS. For January-entry students, the course runs for one week and is not credit-bearing. For more information, see [www.tcd.ie/study/understandingireland](http://www.tcd.ie/study/understandingireland).

**Conflict, Religion, Peace-building in International Affairs: Spring Semester**

Drawing on Ireland’s complex political and social history, Trinity offers this unique multidisciplinary study abroad semester programme in an increasingly relevant field. Combining fieldwork, trips to Northern Ireland and Europe, and Dublin-based coursework, students will develop a critical grasp of the interplay of conflict, peace and religion. For more information, see: [www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/)

**Modern Irish Writing: January Term Programme**

Trinity’s Department of English offers a study abroad programme called Modern Irish Writing for international undergraduate students during the month of January. (Please note, this programme cannot be completed in addition to a Spring term abroad at Trinity because of overlap in dates.) For more information, see: [www.tcd.ie/English/international/january-term/](http://www.tcd.ie/English/international/january-term/)
Beyond a Great Education
Trinity gathers together a unique, sociable and friendly community of students and faculty in the heart of Dublin city. The truly accessible and dedicated professors encourage students to actively engage in College life and the city beyond the campus gates. At Trinity, involvement in student organisations is not just a hobby; it plays an integral part in our education ethos and allows students to engage in all of their interests.

Student Societies
At Trinity, education is not confined to the classroom. Our students passionately engage in creative, entrepreneurial and charitable pursuits within the University and throughout Dublin. Trinity’s extracurricular life features over 200 societies, sports clubs and publications, including ‘The Phil’ and ‘the Hist’ – the oldest debating societies in the world! For a full list see: www.trinitysocieties.ie

Student Life
Trinity brings together a diverse, curious and supportive community and culture. With 17,000 students from 122 countries, Trinity offers a multicultural and colourful environment and student experience. www.tcd.ie/students/clubs-societies/

Sport
Sport plays an important role in the University promoting health and physical activity as well as intercultural dialogue. With over 60 sports clubs, open to all levels of participation, Trinity students have the opportunity to train in a range of athletic pursuits. For a full list of sports, see: www.tcd.ie/sport.

Sports Centre
On-campus sports facilities for students include a state-of-the-art Sports Centre, a fitness theatre, a 25m swimming pool, a climbing wall, cycling studios, multiple playing pitches and more. www.tcd.ie/Sport/facilities/sports-centre/
Trinity Global Room
The Trinity Global Room is a unique social and event space for international students at Trinity. The Global Room, acting as a platform to celebrate cultural diversity within Trinity, is a space where students and staff can relax, converse and learn about different customs. It offers over 300 international television channels, access to advice from peers about navigating Dublin and Trinity, and a full calendar of internationally themed events.

www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/global-room/

Trinity Ball
Trinity’s packed social calendar culminates in the iconic Trinity Ball, the largest private party in Europe. Held in April, around 8,000 students, staff and alumni gather inside the College grounds for a formal ball featuring a huge array of the latest musical acts. Previous acts include Ellie Goulding, Bastille, Imagine Dragons and Example!

www.trinityball.ie/

International Activities
With Trinity’s range of cultural societies, events celebrating holidays from around the world are a regular feature of campus life. From the Indian festival of Holi to Chinese New Year and Thanksgiving, students can connect with other students, not only from their home countries but also from further afield and explore global traditions.

Support Services
Trinity offers extensive academic and personal support to all students. Just a few of the many supports include: Peer-to-peer mentoring, Student Counselling Service, College Health Services, Tutor Service, and more. Many academic schools also have Global Officers, who assist with module selection, organise social events and act as points of contact for all international students. Peer mentors also run a ‘New 2 Dublin’ series, to help those new to the city find their way around, from using public transport, to getting the best deals on groceries.

www.tcd.ie/Admissions/undergraduate/about-tcd/support-services.php
Ireland, the gateway to Europe is world-famous for its friendly citizens and warm welcomes. For centuries Ireland has been renowned for its rich heritage in music, literature and art. Hike the peaks of Kerry. Surf the waves off Sligo. Dance to a traditional band in Galway. Stroll West Cork’s beaches. Gallery-hop around Dublin. Explore centuries-old castles and millennia-old passage tombs.

Trinity’s Study Abroad programme offers students the opportunity to experience Dublin, one of the greatest cities in Europe. Located in the heart of Dublin, Trinity’s 47-acre campus sits at the very centre of everything the city has to offer. For over 425 years Dublin City has grown and developed around the Trinity campus. Blending a high-energy, multinational professional culture with traditional Irish warmth and hospitality, Dublin has sprawling parks, cosy cafés and quirky restaurants for the daytime, with classic pubs, fashionable clubs, music gigs and theatre by night. Dublin is not just a vibrant capital city, it is an international centre of excellence for business, culture and the arts.

Dublin is…

Connected: Low cost airlines connect Dublin to hundreds of European destinations cheaply and quickly. Fly to London or Paris in an hour or Rome in three!

Cultural: An official UNESCO City of Literature, Dublin is renowned for its art, music and theatre. Check out Dublin’s Cultural Quarter or explore the traditional Irish music scene in one of the city’s many pubs.

Entrepreneurial: Home to the EU headquarters of tech companies such as Google, Facebook and Twitter, Dublin is a hotbed of global Innovation.

Friendly: Dublin was voted in the world’s top 20 friendliest cities in 2016 by readers of Condé Nast Traveller, the prestigious US travel magazine.

International: Dublin was ranked 2nd in the QS Best Student Cities 2015 in the ‘student mix’ category, reflecting its high concentration of students and high ratio of international students.

Historic: As Dublin is more than a 1,000 years old, there is ancient history to discover all over the city. From streets and buildings to cultural objects, you’ll find remnants of Victorian, Georgian, Medieval and even Viking eras!
Orientation
Trinity runs a Visiting Student Orientation every term to introduce students to life at Trinity. The orientation schedule includes everything from information about academic course registration to tours of campus, breakout sessions, film nights in the Global Room, sessions on life in Dublin, opportunities to meet your new classmates and much more!

Airport Meet & Greet
International Students have the option of signing up to be met by a student greeter at Dublin airport and escorted to campus.

Visas
Students from many countries, including the US and Canada, do not require a visa to enter the Republic of Ireland. All non-EU students must register with the Irish National Immigration Service (INIS) soon after arrival in Ireland. For more information about Visas and INIS registration, please see: www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/

Accommodation
Trinity has student housing facilities both on campus and in Trinity Hall, a residential community just south of the city centre. Many Trinity students elect to live in shared houses and apartments throughout Dublin.

Working In Ireland
Non-EU students registered on a degree course for at least one academic year can work up to a maximum of 20 hours per week during term and up to 40 hours per week during University holidays.
“One of the factors that must contribute to the great thinkers and writers that this university has produced, is the vast amount of independent learning that one has to do. This emphasis on self-teaching and independent research permeates every area of academic life.”
– Anna McAlpine, University of St. Andrews

“Everyone should study abroad for a full year if given the opportunity. If you study abroad for a semester, you’ll just be getting comfortable and familiar when it’s time to pack up and leave.”
– Miles Morgan, University of Chicago

“One of the major benefits of living in a city like Dublin is the abundance of cultural activities and events. Particularly, there is a plethora of diverse and fascinating museums.”
– Jessica Murphy, Brown University

“Trinity College is known for its literary history, with accomplished writers Anne Enright, Samuel Beckett, Bram Stoker, Jonathon Swift, and Oscar Wilde counted among the university’s alumni. With Dublin named a UNESCO City of Literature, visiting & international students would be remiss to miss out on some of the amazing independent writing and arts happening in the city during your time here. I love heading out to the events recommended to me by LitSoc & my English professors.”
– Clodagh Schofield, University of Sydney

“I am so grateful to have made so many friends who mean a great deal to me, and to have studied at Trinity. I will also miss Trinity’s knowledgeable lecturers who teach so well, Dublin’s breathtaking architecture, and Ireland’s amazing history and marvelous natural landscapes.”
– Viviana Lletget, University of California Berkeley

“If one thing has struck me about Trinity College Dublin, it is how incredibly different the university is from what I imagined it would be. I got some things right: sweeping lawns, beautiful buildings and incredibly interesting professors. However, I definitely did not anticipate this school’s incredible knack for engaging students, for making them feel welcome and at home in a prestigious place that has welcomed so many great minds and could have easily become standoffish and exclusive.”
– Sydne Tursky, University of Arkansas

“Even though I’m only here for the one term, all of the societies still wanted me to join them and take part in their activities. I didn’t know before getting here if it would be easy or difficult to get involved since I am only here for such a short time, but so far it’s been really easy to feel like a member of the student body.”
– Madison Tucky, University of Southern California
NOTABLE ALUMNI

Samuel Beckett
*Nobel Prize for Literature, 1969*

Oscar Wilde
*Playwright*

Jonathan Swift
*Satirist and Poet*

Mary McAleese
*Former President of Ireland*

Professors Luke O’Neill and Jonathan Coleman
*2014 World’s Most Influential Scientific Minds*

Bram Stoker
*Novelist*

Mary Robinson
*Former President of Ireland & UN High Commissioner for Human Rights*

George Berkeley
*Philosopher*

Eavan Boland
*Irish Poet*

Ernest Walton
*Nobel Prize for Physics, 1951*

Edmund Burke
*Philosopher and Political Theorist*

D.B. Weiss and David Benioff
*Emmy award-winning writers of HBO’s ‘Game of Thrones’*
We welcome applications from students currently enrolled full-time in university who have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.3 (B+) or better. You can select courses across a range of subject areas and are not restricted to courses in your major.

For more information on studying at Trinity, visit our website at www.tcd.ie/study/

For first-hand accounts of student experiences, visit our student blog at www.tcdglobal.wordpress.com/

For more information about the opportunities available for visiting students or if you have questions about making Trinity work for your academic programme, please email study.abroad@tcd.ie