1. Admissions Policy and Reader Services

1.1. Scope
This policy covers the admission of readers, access to and use of the Library’s collections and resources.

1.2. Aims
The purpose of the policy is to provide appropriate access to resources in support of the research and learning priorities in the College Strategic Plan, and to facilitate access to visiting and other readers engaged in scholarship.

1.3. General Policy Statement

1.3.1. Trinity College Students: Entry to the Library is provided on production of a valid University identity card. Borrowing privileges depend on the course being taken.

1.3.2. Trinity College Staff: Entry to the Library is provided on production of a valid University identity card. Borrowing privileges depend on the staff post held.

1.3.3. Visiting and other readers: The Library will consider requests to read, without borrowing privileges, in the Library from:

- Persons engaged in scholarly research.
- Academic staff and higher degree students from institutions who are participating members in the ALCID scheme.
- Graduates of the University of Dublin (TCD).
- Members of the public requiring access to a specific item not available in any other Library.
- Students from private Irish higher education colleges (restricted to Saturday access during term).
- Students from Ireland under CONUL vacation access scheme.
- Students from UK under SCONUL vacation access scheme.
- EU/international students.

1.3.4. Admission to the Library is at the discretion of the Librarian.

1.3.5. Access to the some collections may be restricted to visiting readers in order to protect the priority needs of TCD students during term time. Many of our electronic resources are not available to visiting readers under the terms of our user licences with the publishers.