

Postgraduate **Welcome Guide**



Trinity College Dublin
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath
The University of Dublin

WELCOME TO TRINITY



It is my absolute privilege to welcome you to Trinity College Dublin, The University of Dublin. We are delighted that you have chosen Trinity for your postgraduate education. You should be immensely proud of all you have achieved to date, and I am excited for what you will do in the years ahead at Trinity.

At Trinity we understand the vital importance of basic and fundamental research in breaking new ground. We value the ability to apply our research for the benefit of society and the world. Our vision is to engage in research with the quality, intensity, depth, diversity, and openness that leads to fundamental breakthroughs, new understandings, key insights, and that can make translational and transformative advances – or, to build a world in which we want to live.

Respecting the diversity of scholarship that flows from being research active across all three faculties, and using all our varied talents to achieve excellence, allows everyone to play to their strengths in a way that can ultimately benefit Trinity, and have a positive impact globally.

In joining the Trinity community, I would like to assure you that we are a supportive community and during your time here we will be with you to enable you unleash your full talent and exploit possibilities. You have so much to contribute to the life and fabric of this university and its diverse research community.

Dr Linda Doyle,
Provost & President



Congratulations on being offered a place in Trinity, the best university in Ireland and one of the top 100 in the world! Whether you are furthering your career or changing paths entirely; whether you are a musician or scientist, historian or midwife; whether you are from Mayo or Mumbai; whether your passions find you on the playing field or in the orchestra pit; whether you are happiest parsing texts, debating policy issues or writing code; we are looking forward to the privilege of you joining the Trinity community.



This welcome pack will help you navigate the journey from accepting your offer to joining us during orientation. I hope you embrace all the richness of our diverse community and the opportunities that your time here at Trinity College will offer.

Dr Richard Porter,
Dean of Students

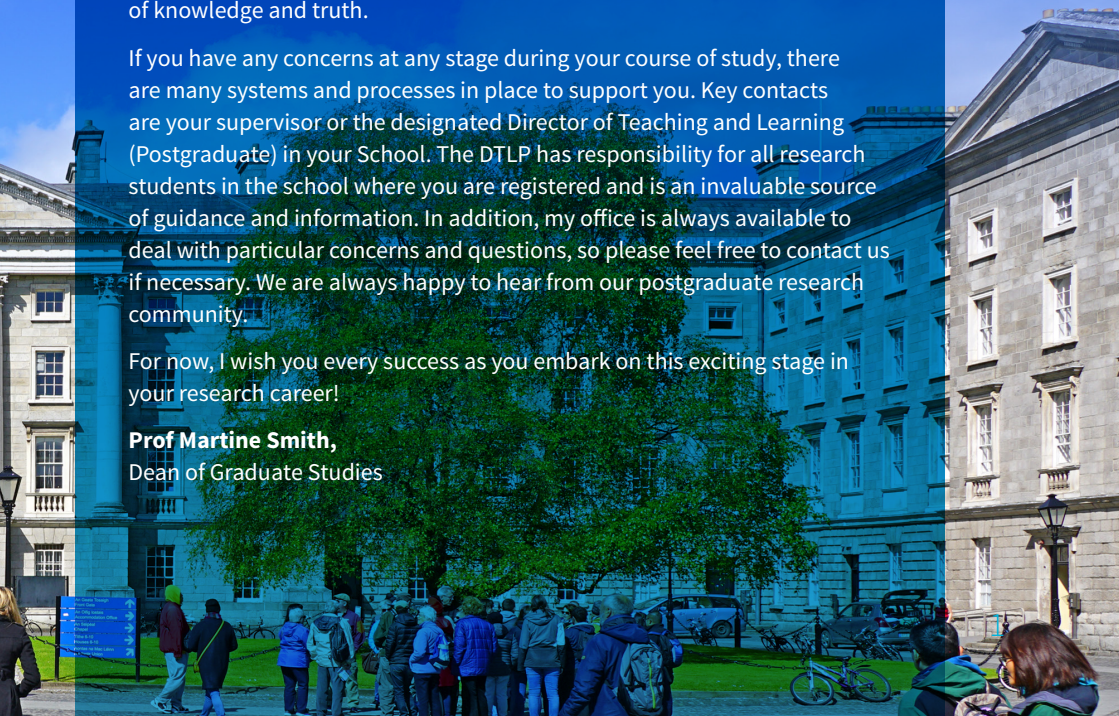
Whether you are here studying for a PhD or for a Master's degree, it is my sincere hope that these years will be highly fulfilling for you in both academic and personal terms, as you become an indelible part of the history of this university, which is ancient and steeped in history, but which also constantly seeks to be forward-looking and innovative. Your story now becomes part of Trinity's story as we seek, as a community of students, faculty, and alumni, to work to the betterment of national and global society in the pursuit of knowledge and truth.



If you have any concerns at any stage during your course of study, there are many systems and processes in place to support you. Key contacts are your supervisor or the designated Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate) in your School. The DTLP has responsibility for all research students in the school where you are registered and is an invaluable source of guidance and information. In addition, my office is always available to deal with particular concerns and questions, so please feel free to contact us if necessary. We are always happy to hear from our postgraduate research community.

For now, I wish you every success as you embark on this exciting stage in your research career!

Prof Martine Smith,
Dean of Graduate Studies



KEY DATES



** Note: additional/contingency days may be required outside of the formal assessment/reassessment weeks. On this page the 23 October and 04 March weeks should be Reading Week, rather than Revision Week*

REGISTRATION

How do I register?

You will register online via the website my.tcd.ie. Registration will open from August on a course by course basis. A communication will be sent to the e-mail address you gave during the application process inviting you to log in to the website to register. **Please check your e-mail for updates regularly.** Once you have registered emails will be sent to your new TCD email address.

A username and password has been created to give you immediate access to my.tcd.ie.

Username: Shown on the top right corner of both the email and letter you received. This is also your TCD student ID Number.

Password: This is your date of birth in the format DDMONYYYY, e.g. 03FEB1995

Students who have previously accessed the my.tcd.ie website should **continue** to access it using your current username and password as this has not changed

When you have been invited to register you will see an in-tray message in your student portal and you will have access to the **Register** tab in the portal on the top menu.

In order to complete on-line course registration, you should click on the tab and proceed.

You must complete all tasks successfully before the process is complete. When you have completed these tasks successfully you will see a **green tick**. If tasks are incomplete they will be highlighted by a **red X**. All mandatory fields are marked with an asterisk (*).

Online registration does not have to be completed in one sitting. You can complete a task or multiple tasks, exit and return later to proceed. The completed tasks will be saved when you log out.

You must complete each individual task before registration is complete.

Please view our step by step guide and video podcast at www.tcd.ie/academicregistry





How do I pay my fees?

You can pay your fees through the following methods:

- **Online Payment:** You can make an online payment using a debit/visa card on the website my.tcd.ie. You can click the 'My Finance' tab on your portal to pay your fees. This is the quickest and easiest way to pay.
- **EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) i.e. bank account or online banking:** This involves the transfer of funds direct to the Trinity College Dublin accounts. This transaction isn't immediate. Due to banking requirements it can take up to 4-5 working days for payments to be cleared on your account or up to 10-12 working days if the payment is made internationally. Please factor this into your payments if you have a set deadline.

Bank account details for EFT payments are available on the Academic Registry website and in your my.tcd.ie portal.

- **Pay to Study (Recommended for International Students):** This is an easy-to-use online payment process which offers a secure, fast and affordable way to make your international payments to Trinity College Dublin. This method saves you time and money when paying

your fees internationally. Pay to Study allows you to make your international payments free of charge, while receiving competitive foreign exchange rates. Where Pay to Study has a local bank account, you will not be subjected to any international wire fees and will be able to pay in your local currency. Pay to Study receipts are also accepted by visa and immigration agencies.

How do I know that I'm registered?

You will receive a confirmation of registration in-tray message on your portal once you have completed the registration process stating you are now a fully registered student. You can then receive a student card and avail of all student services we have to offer.

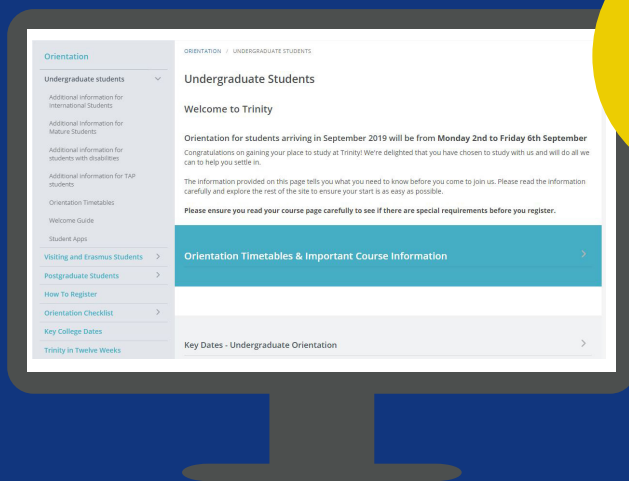
You will collect your student card in the Exam Hall during Freshers' Week. Academic Registry will email you instructions for how to upload a photo to the MyTCD portal and a time to come pick it up.

ORIENTATION

You will be invited to two different orientation/induction events. Your College Orientation Week will take place from 04-08 September and we will cover major College services, as well as provide you with a lot of information on how to hit the ground running in Trinity. Your course will also invite you separately to an orientation/induction event. It is important that you attend both events as the content is not the same.

The Orientation Website

As you prepare to come to Trinity, the most important place for you to be visiting is the **Orientation website**. Here you will find important information to assist you with getting registered, finding accommodation, and what you need to know before moving to Dublin. You will also find your College Orientation Week timetable on these pages.



You'll find your orientation timetable here too

Your College Orientation Timetable

Your College Orientation timetable has a number of different types of lectures and workshops.

The **Provost's Welcome** will take place on Monday 04 September at 17.00 in the Ed Burke Theatre. We will also stream it live online if you can't attend and you'll find details on attending or watching on the [Provost's Welcome website](#).

You **MUST** attend one **General Orientation** session during the week, in this session we will talk to you about College supports and services, give you useful campus knowledge and other important information about getting started in Trinity.

During the week we run a variety of skills and wellbeing sessions, as well as campus and Library tours, and you can pick and choose what you feel would benefit you most to attend.

All Postgraduate Orientation events will be hybrid events so if you cannot attend in person, you can watch a livestream and participate by Q&A online. The links for the livestreams will be available on the timetable. There is no advance registration required for in person or online attendance.

Your Programme Orientation Timetable

Most of your programmes will also have an orientation day or days to familiarise you with what you will be studying or researching, what modules are available to you, how you will be assessed, and of course to give you a chance to meet academics and your new classmates. You will receive details of these events directly from your programme.



SUPPORTS AND SERVICES



Administrative and Pastoral Support

Academic Registry

From application to graduation, the Academic Registry will be involved in your whole college career. You have already been dealing with them during your application process and you will meet them when you pick up your ID cards during orientation. Make sure to find them in the Watts Building, and you can find out more about their services here: [tcd.ie/academicregistry/](https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/)

Postgraduate Advisory Service (PAS)

PAS is the independent, frontline support for you while at Trinity. If you have any questions about Trinity, the supports you can access or if you need advice on how to resolve a concern you can contact PAS for a confidential appointment at: postgrad.support@tcd.ie

<https://www.tcd.ie/seniortutor/students/postgraduate/>

Academic Success

Studying at postgraduate level is not the same as studying at undergraduate level and studying at Trinity may be very different to what you were used to during your undergraduate degree. You may need time to adjust to the academic culture here and to learn what is expected of you as a postgrad student. Luckily, we have a variety of services to help!

The Library

Trinity's Library is the largest library in Ireland and as a deposit library it receives a copy of every book published in the UK and Ireland as well as having a vast collection of online resources. Our subject librarians are experts at finding the information you need from the collections. We'll introduce you to them during orientation week but you can contact them any time by email.

<https://www.tcd.ie/library/>

Student Learning Development (SLD)

SLD are here to help you achieve your academic potential while studying here in Trinity. They offer workshops, online resources and individual consultations on a variety of topics, as well as a module for postgraduate students and a Postgraduate Summer School. <https://student-learning.tcd.ie/postgraduate/>

The Disability Service

To apply for Disability Service support students should complete an application for Reasonable Accommodations, online, via the Disability Service tab on their my.tcd.ie student portal. tcd.ie/disability/

Careers Service

The Careers Service are a valuable resource for postgraduate students. They will help you with determining what the next steps in your career are, writing your CV/LinkedIn profile and preparing for interviews. MyCareer has a database of available job opportunities and Careers Service events (workshops, seminars, employer events) for Trinity students. <https://www.tcd.ie/Careers/>

Academic Integrity

Academic Integrity is very important at Trinity. It is extremely important that you familiarise yourself with the regulations surrounding plagiarism in Trinity before you arrive and that you abide by them during your time here. As you have already completed a degree it is easy to assume that you know what the expectations will be of you in Trinity but as the consequences for plagiarism (even unintended) are serious please ensure you read the Library's 'Avoiding Plagiarism' Guide in detail. Completion of the Tutorial 'Ready

Steady Write' in the Guide is **mandatory for all students**. <https://libguides.tcd.ie/plagiarism>

Health and Wellbeing Success

It is important to look after your health, wellbeing and personal life to ensure that you perform as well as possible in your academic pursuits. There are a number of services available to you in Trinity.

College Health

We have a full health centre including doctors, nurses, a physiotherapist and a psychiatrist on campus which is free for students. tcd.ie/collegehealth/

Sport

The Sports Centre has a full gym, climbing wall, swimming pool, outdoor tennis courts, and much more. Make sure to activate your membership when you receive your student card. tcd.ie/Sport/

Student Counselling Services

If you need support for your mental health, the Student Counselling Services are professional counsellors who provide a range of services for students, from online programmes, group therapy to one-to-one counselling sessions. tcd.ie/Student_Counselling/

Chaplaincy

The ecumenical chaplaincy service can provide you with spiritual guidance, and a free lunch on Tuesdays! As well as Roman Catholic and Anglican Chaplains, they provide links to other faith groups. tcd.ie/Chaplaincy/

STUDENT LIFE

There is far more to do in Trinity than simply attending lectures, studying in the Library and performing experiments in the lab. Whatever your hobbies or interests, with over 150 societies and sports clubs you're sure to find like-minded students.

The Students' Union (SU)

The SU is run by students, acting on behalf of all of you. There are 5 full-time SU Officers who work for you and represent you in university and beyond: the President, Education Officer, Welfare Officer, Communications Officer and Ents Officer. TCDSU is also comprised of a number of Part-Time Officers who work in specific areas, from LGBT rights to off-campus issues. Each class in university also has an elected SU Class Representative, and schools and faculties are represented by Conveners. There is also a Postgraduate Student Part-Time Officer.

The SU also arrange social events to help you meet other postgrads throughout the year, promote jobs for students and participate in national campaigns for students. If you're interested in campaigns, representing postgraduates in College, organising events or assisting your fellow students in achieving the best they can then consider getting involved!

<http://www.tcdsu.org/>



YOUR TCARD

You will receive an email from Academic Registry after you register with details on how to collect your TCard. Your TCard is more than just your student identification, it can also be topped up and used to pay in food outlets and the SU shops on campus when you are there.

You can use your TCard in:

- The Buttery
- The Dining Hall
- Sports Centre
- East Dining Hall
- Nursery
- 1592 Restaurant
- Students Union
- Aras an Phiarsaigh
- St James' Hospital
- The Perch
- Academic Registry
- Tallaght Hospital

Sports Clubs

If you are sporty, or thinking of becoming sporty in college, make sure to check out the clubs you can join. They are active, social and welcoming, so you can keep up your sport, or try something new!

Go to
[tcd.ie/Sport/
student-sport/
clubs/](https://tcd.ie/Sport/student-sport/clubs/)

AFC (M/F)	Equestrian	Rifle
Aikido	Fencing	Rugby (M/F)
American Football	Gaelic Football (M/F)	Sailing
Archery	Golf (M/F)	Snowsports
Badminton	Handball	Squash
Barbell	Harriers & Athletics	Sub-Aqua
Basketball	Hockey (M/F)	Surfing & Bodyboarding
Boat (M/F)	Hurling	Swimming & Waterpolo
Boxing	Judo	Table Tennis
Camogie	Karate & Canoe	Tae Kwon Do
Climbing	Kayak	Trampoline
Cricket (M/F)	Lawn Tennis	Ultimate Frisbee
Croquet	Netball	Volleyball
Cycling & Triathlon	Orienteering	Wind & Wake



Student Societies

There are over 100 student societies that cater to almost any hobby or interest you could have in Trinity. Some are academic (and if your course has a society, it's a good idea to join it) but there are societies for arts & culture, politics, volunteering, and many more. If you've ever thought about debating or learning to juggle or meeting like-minded students, the societies are where to go.

Student Publications
For the aspiring writers among you, there are two student newspapers on campus (the University Times and Trinity News), as well as other features magazines, satirical publications and creative writing magazines.

Afro-Caribbean	Entrepreneurial (TES)	Juggling	Quiz Soc
Agricultural	Environmental	Knitting	Rovers
AMSI	Europa	Korean	Russian
Alternative Music	European Law Students	Labour	Science Fiction
Amnesty	Fashion	Laurentian	Sign Language
Arabesque	Fianna Fail	Law	Singers
Archaeological	Film	Literary	Sinn Fein
Astrology	Fine Gael	Management Science	Social Democrats
Biochemical	Food and Drink	Mathematical	SOFIA
Biological	FLAC	Mature Students	South-East Asian
Botanical	French	Metaphysical	Space
DUBES	Gamers	Microbiological	Student Managed Fund
Caledonian	Gender Equality	Modern Languages	Student2Student
Cancer	General Science	MOVE	SUAS
Card & Bridge	Genetics	Music	TEDx
Chapel Choir	Geographical	Musical Theatre	Theological
Chess	Germanic	Muslim Students	TradSoc
Chinese	Global Development	Neuroscience	Trinity Arts Festival
Choral	Greens	Nursing & Midwifery	Trinity Arts Workshop
Christian Union	Hiking	Pagan	Trinity Economic Forum
Classical	Hispanic	People Before Profit	Trinity FM
Clinical Therapies	The Hist	Pharmaceutical	Trinity Orchestra
Comedy	History	The Phil	Trinity TV
Computer Science	Horse Racing	Photography	Vegan
Consulting Group	Indian	Physics	Vincent de Paul
Cumann Gaelach	International Students	Pirate Party	Visual Arts
Dance	Internet	Players	Voluntary Tuition
Dental	Italian	Politics	Werner Chemical
Digital Arts (DUDJ)	Japanese	Pool	Workers' Party
Eastern European	Jazz	Psychological	Yoga
ENACTUS	Jewish	Public Health	Zoological
Engineering	Joly Geological	Q Soc	

Go to <https://trinitysocieties.ie/>

IT SERVICES

Once you have completed online registration for Trinity at my.tcd.ie you will receive an 'inray' message in my.tcd.ie with your Trinity computer account username and an initial password. The inray message will outline the steps for how to set your own password, a step which is important for good IT security and which you must do before you can access your Trinity email account.

Once you have set your own password then you should visit the IT Services web pages for new students at www.tcd.ie/itservices/students/ for information on how to get started with your Trinity email account, where to find the computer rooms, how to connect your device to the Trinity Wi-Fi or wired network in residences, and how to use other services such as the printing, scanning and photocopying service.

Further information about the IT services in Trinity are outlined at www.tcd.ie/itservices/

Getting Connected to the Network

The TCDconnect Wi-Fi and wired service is available to all students when you are on campus.

Details of how to access this network are available online at <https://www.tcd.ie/itservices/students/orientation/getting-connected>

For further assistance and support, contact the IT Service Desk www.tcd.ie/itservices/help/



MyZone: Your student email

You need to check your student email regularly as this is how College will communicate with you while you are a student. However, you keep your @tcd.ie address for life!

1. Browse to myzone.tcd.ie
2. Sign in with your Trinity username and password
3. Access your Mail, Calendar and Drive apps



TrinityLive app:

Download the TrinityLive app from the App Store or Google Play.

TrinityLive has a digital copy of your student ID, your lecture timetable and wayfinding maps to locations on campus. You'll also receive your exam results here.

SafeZone app:

SafeZone is an app to help keep you safe on campus. We recommend students install it and familiarise themselves with its functions – including an emergency call feature should you need the immediate assistance of College Security.

Blackboard

Blackboard (sometimes called MyModule in Trinity) is a 'Virtual Learning Environment'. This is where your lecturers will put up course notes, assignments, readings, and very importantly this year: online lectures and seminars. Large lectures will be online for at least the first semester and Blackboard is where

you will find them. You'll find out from your course exactly how it will work for you during your course orientation meeting.

tcd.blackboard.com

Microsoft 365 Apps

As a Trinity student you also have access to Microsoft 365 Apps for Students as long as you are with us. You'll have online versions of Word, Excel, Powerpoint and more.

office.tcd.ie



CAMPUS LIFE



Buildings

Buildings – 6-9 South Leinster Street, 1937 Reading Room, 200 Pearse Street, Áras an Phiarsaigh, Arts, BLU Library, Chapel, Chemistry, Dining Hall, D'Olier Street, Dublin Dental Hospital, Exam Hall, Foster Place/College Green, Goldsmith Hall, Graduate Memorial Building, Hamilton, Health Centre, Houses 1-52, ICT Labs, Lloyd Building, Moynes Institute, Museum Building, Old Library, O'Reilly Institute, Panoz, Parsons, Pav, Printing House, Provost's House, Regent House, Samuel Beckett Centre, Science Gallery, Smurfit Institute, SNIAMS, Sports Centre, TBSI, Watts Building.



Food outlets

Dining Hall, the Buttery, The Perch, the 1592, Áras an Phiarsaigh, the Pav
Shops – House 6, Hamilton Building
Student spaces – 4017 Arts, Mezzanine Hamilton, Goldsmith Hall, D'Olier Street



Gates



(+ Opening times weekdays)

Front Gate 7.00 – 00.00

(18.00 on weekends)

Arts Building 8.00 – 22.30

(00.00 at weekends)

Lincoln Place 7.00 – 00.00

Pearse Street 8.00 – 10.00 & 16.00 – 18.30

Moynes Institute 8.00 – 18.00,

Pearse Street (Sports Centre) 6.45 – 23.30

(ID card swipe from 20.00)

Major Lecture Theatres

Arts – Ed Burke, Jonathan Swift, Robert Emmet, Máirtín Uí Chadháin, Thomas Davis, Ernest Walton

Hamilton – Joly, Synge, Maxwell, MacNeil, Salmon

Parsons – Parsons

Museum – Museum, M4, M17, M20, M21

TBSI – Tercentenary Hall, Stanley Quek

Lloyd – LB01, LB04, LB08

tcd.ie/Maps/facilities.php#rooms

CONTACT/SOCIAL MEDIA

Connect with us to keep up to date

1. Orientation/Student Life website

Everything you need to know about coming to Trinity and life in Trinity is available on the Orientation and Student Life web pages. Make sure to keep an eye on the Orientation pages as they are updated with important information for you.

tcd.ie/students/orientation

tcd.ie/students

2. Social Media – #TCDPostGrads

 [trinitycollegedublin](https://www.instagram.com/trinitycollegedublin)

 [trinitycollegedublin](https://www.facebook.com/trinitycollegedublin)

 [tcddublin](https://twitter.com/tcddublin)

 [trinitycollegedublin](https://www.youtube.com/trinitycollegedublin)

 [trinitycollegedublin](https://www.tiktok.com/trinitycollegedublin)

3. Academic Registry – for all your questions and concerns about registering

 Academic.registry@tcd.ie

 [tcd_academicregistry](https://www.instagram.com/tcd_academicregistry)

 [TCDAcadRegistry](https://twitter.com/TCDAcadRegistry)

4. Postgraduate Advisory Service

 [tcdpgadvisory](https://www.instagram.com/tcdpgadvisory)

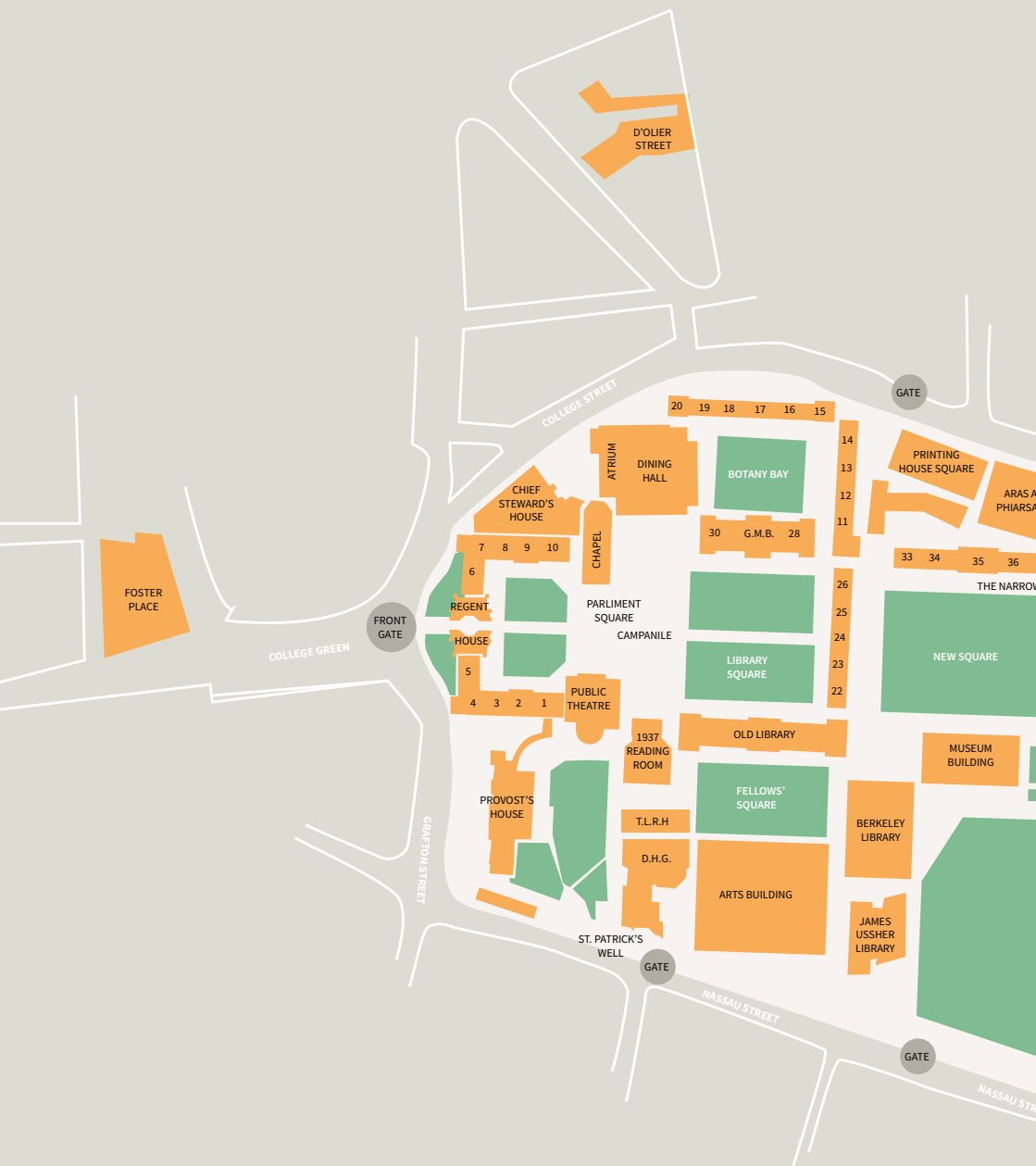
 [tcdpgadvisory](https://twitter.com/tcdpgadvisory)

5. Students' Union

<https://www.tcdsu.org/>

 [tcdsu](https://www.instagram.com/tcdsu)





TRINITY COLLEGE

tcd.ie/maps



OTHER IMPORTANT TRINITY LOCATIONS AND HOW TO GET THERE FROM THE MAIN CAMPUS!

St. James' Hospital



Red Line Luas:
Abbey Street to
James' Hospital



Bus 13 or 123:
College Green to
the Hospital



Or in the spirit of Healthy Trinity,
you can walk it! It's about 40 minutes

Tallaght Hospital



Red Line Luas:
Abbey Street to
Tallaght Hospital



Bus 27, 65, 77a:
College Green to
the Hospital



Santry Sports Ground



Bus 16:

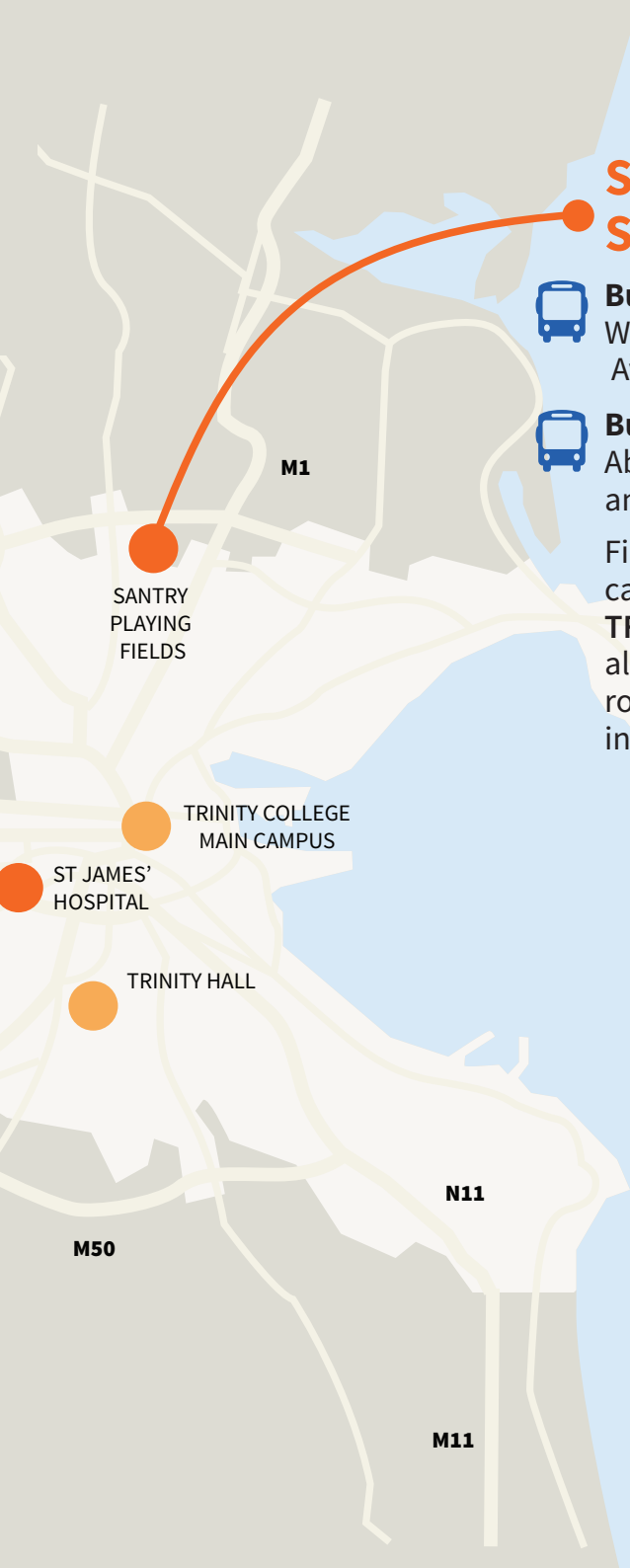
Westmoreland Street to Santry Avenue and walk for 10 minutes



Bus 41, 41b or 41c:

Abbey Street to Santry Avenue and walk for 10 minutes

Finding your way around Dublin can be tricky, so download the **TFI Live app** which will give you all possible public transport routes from one place to another in the city!!



SUSTAINABILITY

Trinity is proud to be a Green Flag campus and a member of the International Sustainable Campuses Network. We hope that you will get involved in helping the campus reach its sustainability goals while you are here.

As well as reducing, reusing and recycling, we'd like to encourage you to follow the guidelines in the Student Sustainability Guide to reduce your footprint, and to get involved in the student and campus Green groups. These groups have pushed for divestment of Fossil Fuels and to reduce plastic in campus outlets, among other things.



Check out the Green Pages to see what you can do!
tcd.ie/provost/sustainability/



HEALTHY TRINITY

While you're a student here (and long after you leave), we also want you to be a healthy student. Healthy Trinity promotes lots of different ways for you to be healthier, from being more active and travelling smarter to eating healthier and drinking more water. Make sure to have a look at all of the initiatives on offer to find some easy ways to pick up healthy habits.

tcd.ie/collegehealth/promotion/



DATA PROTECTION

What data do we hold?

In the course of performing university functions and associated student services, Trinity processes lots of data about students. Common examples include names, addresses, student numbers, photographs, mobile telephone numbers, dates of birth, etc. In some cases, Trinity may also receive sensitive personal data about students, such as health or welfare data. For example, our College Health Service, Counselling Service or Disability Service may receive health or conviction data in the course of performing their functions.

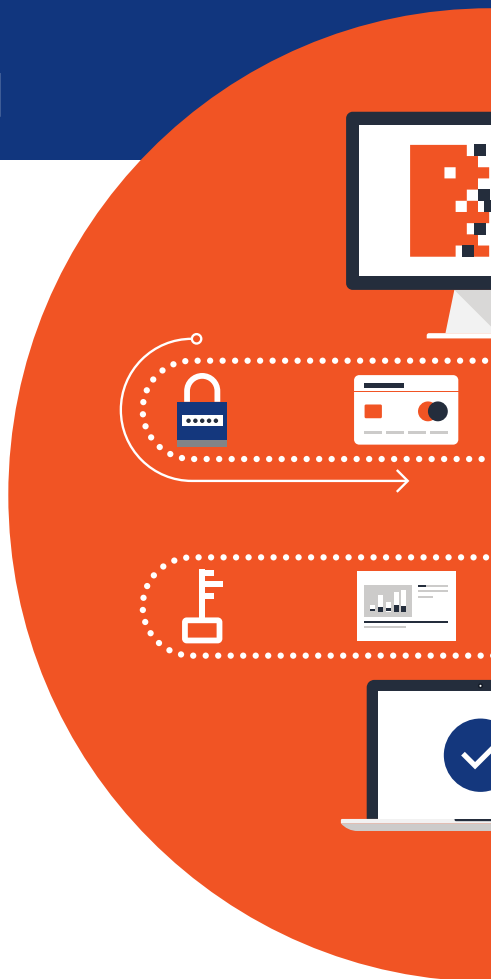
What do we use it for?

Trinity processes and discloses your data to various departments/units within Trinity for the purpose of performing university functions and providing associated facilities and services. For example, we compile and retain the student registration data you give us and we maintain an ongoing record of course selection data, examinations data, attendance data, awards and credits etc. Student data is shared with Trinity Foundation who manage alumni relations on behalf of Trinity.

We will not normally use your data for any unrelated purpose without your consent. However, in exceptional cases permitted by data protection laws we may process and disclose data without consent or notice to you, for example if it is required to investigate offences, to prevent injury or damage or to comply with a legal obligation.

Accessing your data

You have a legal right to access your personal data subject to payment of the statutory fee and certain exceptions which are set out at law. To ensure a coordinated and appropriate response to data access requests, all such requests should be directed to Trinity's Information Compliance Officer, they should clearly and distinctly identify the specific personal data being requested and they should be accompanied by the statutory fee (currently €6.35).





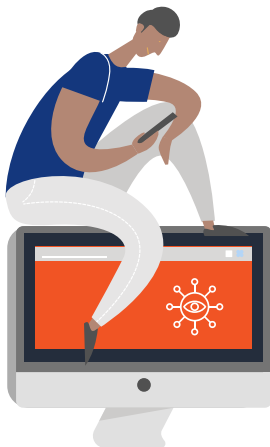
Parents/Guardians

As Trinity considers students, even if they are not yet 18, to have the maturity to give consent for the use of their data, in normal circumstances, Trinity will not disclose personal data to the parents, guardians or other representatives of a student without the student's consent. Trinity's preference is to receive written consent by way of email from the student where possible. Without such consent Trinity will not release any details regarding students including details of their registration, attendance, fee payments etc. However, there may be exceptional circumstances, for example, in the case of potential danger to the health or well-being of a student or if a representative such as a solicitor or politician has written to Trinity making it clear that they are acting on behalf of the student.

Further information

The full policy is available at tcd.ie/info_compliance/dp/policy.php

Trinity has appointed an Information Compliance Officer who will assist Trinity and its staff in complying with the data protection legislation. Specific queries or concerns should be addressed to www.tcd.ie/info_compliance/



PhDs

We know that PhD candidates have a different postgraduate experience so we have some additional supports for you.

The Structured PhD

Your PhD in Trinity is a Structured PhD which means that over your time researching here you must take between 10 and 30 ECTS (credits) of taught modules as a requirement to receive your PhD. The number of credits required may differ from School to School and your School may have some mandatory module requirements. You can find a full list of available modules on the Dean of Graduate Studies website and you should check with your School about what local requirements you need to fulfill.

<https://www.tcd.ie/graduatestudies/students/research/structured-phd-modules/>

The Student-Supervisor Relationship

While you are here in Trinity, one of your most important relationships will be with your supervisor. Having a world-class academic to supervise your PhD research is a privilege but it's also important that you get the most for your research from this relationship too. Make sure to attend the Student-Supervisor Relationship workshop during Orientation week to get off to the best start possible and the Postgraduate Advisory Service are always there to talk to you about maximising your time with your supervisor.

<https://www.tcd.ie/seniortutor/students/postgraduate/>



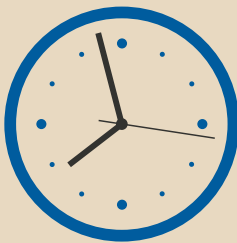
Skills for Success

In October and March we run a PhD Skills for Success Programme, providing you with skills workshops you will need for each stage of your PhD programme. We will email you details and sign up information a few weeks before the programme starts and you'll also find the information on the orientation website.

<https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/postgraduates/>

3 Minute Thesis Competition

In Spring we run a **3 Minute Thesis Competition (3MT)** which provides you an opportunity to present your research (under strict, but fun, constraints), win great prizes and meet other researchers. The winners of our 3MT Competition are eligible to compete in a number of international competitions so it can be a great thing for your career to throw your hat in the ring! We'll also run some casual sessions in Autumn if you're interested in competing, and we'll let you know by email.



Travel Grants

The Executive Committee of the Trinity Trust makes funds available to the Graduate Studies Committee for allocation to graduate research students for attendance at conferences related to their research or for students who wish to carry out research abroad to supplement research already undertaken in Dublin. These grants aren't guaranteed and you must apply for them in advance through the Dean of Graduate Studies Office..

<https://www.tcd.ie/graduatestudies/students/research/>

English for Academic Purposes (EAP)

As part of the Structured PhD, students whose first language is not English may take a 10 credit module on English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to fulfil their credit requirements. The modules provide targeted, discipline-specific training in advanced academic English, designed to enhance your written and spoken discourse skills. Students are assessed through an assignment of 3,000 words, an oral presentation and a skills-based language test.

https://www.tcd.ie/slscs/english/trinity_in-sessional_programme/phd_credit_bearing/

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Trinity is an exciting place, full of opportunities to learn, make friends, and experience new things. While Trinity delivers world class courses, it is not just about your academic development: we also want Trinity to be a place where you can develop socially, responsibly, culturally and personally. But with so much going on, we know that you might need a helping hand every now and then. We also have specific support services for international students.

Trinity Global Room

With a team of staff and student ambassadors who are a mix of Irish and international students, the Trinity Global Room is a great first stop for students with questions about navigating Trinity, Dublin and Ireland. The Global Room hosts social, cultural and educational events throughout the term as well as reserving the space for students to relax, enjoy their lunch and make friends. The team also assist with visa and immigration queries, banking, health insurance, and locating student services.

Find out more at: www.tcd.ie/study/international/student-experience

Trinity Smart Start Programme

This week-long programme is designed to introduce new international students to Irish history, literature and culture as well as help students adjust to life in Trinity and Dublin. The course runs the week prior to Freshers' Week and details can be found at: www.tcd.ie/study/understandingireland



New to Dublin

Student Ambassadors run this programme aimed at undergraduate students, covering everything from Dublin grocery shopping and public transport to making friends and adjusting to Dublin culture.

International Student Orientation

A series of sessions for international students addressing cultural adjustment as well as practical concerns such as banking, health insurance and immigration.

International Societies and Clubs

Trinity is famous for its diverse society life and Trinity societies and clubs with international themes include, have a look at the lists on pages 13 & 14 to see the whole range

Discover Ireland with the International Student Society

The International Student Society aims to promote communication between the Irish students of Trinity and those coming from abroad and now has over 500 members. Events include social nights, talks and presentations, film screenings, day trips and weekends away. This is only one of the many international societies on campus.

English for Academic Purposes

Trinity offers both pre-sessional and in-sessional English language programmes for incoming and current students who are non-native speakers of English. Please note places are limited. Find out more at: www.tcd.ie/slscs/english



Visas and Immigration

If you are joining us as a non-EU student, you will need to register with the Immigration Service Delivery (ISD), details on how to do that are at: <https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/add-int/>

Health Care Provision in Ireland

All EU students from outside the Republic of Ireland pursuing a full degree programme should contact the Health Service Executive for advice regarding healthcare provision at: www.hse.ie

- All EU students should bring with them a European Health Insurance Card issued in their country of origin. Find out more at: www2.hse.ie/services/schemes-allowances/ehic/
- Non-EU students are not entitled to free national health services in Ireland and are obliged to take out insurance cover for hospitalisation before leaving their home country in order to register with the Immigration Service Delivery.

In order to register with the Immigration Service Delivery, as all non-EU students are required to do, you must show proof of health insurance to cover any major medical care necessary during your stay. Find out more at: www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/add-int

DID YOU KNOW?

Upon successful completion of a postgraduate programme at Trinity, students have the possibility to stay in Ireland to work for one year on the Graduate Scheme visa. This allows students to gain unrivalled work experience opportunities in Ireland in a wide range of industries and organisations. Full time non-EU students are allowed to work 20 hours per week during term time and 40 hours per week outside term.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Wifi?

Information on connecting your devices (laptops, phones and tablets) is available from IT Services at tcd.ie/itservices/students/.

Transport?

Students who are 23 or younger can pick up a Young Adult Leap Card for discounted public transport fares (& discounts in shops!) from leapcard.ie. Students who are 24 or older should visit www.tcdsu.org for information on Student Leap Cards.

Bank Account?

Bring some photo ID & proof of address to any bank. You can get a letter from the Academic Registry as proof of address if you don't have any yet.

Food?

You can get hot food in the Dining Hall, the Buttery, the Pavilion Bar and the JCR (Junior Common Room). There are also a number of coffee shops on campus. More info on www.visittrinity.ie/eat/.

More questions?

These are just a few questions new students often ask. There is a comprehensive FAQ on the orientation website at tcd.ie/students/orientation as well as lots more useful stuff.

Sick?

You can go to see the College Health Service for free if you are a registered full-time student.

Emergency?

Campus Security:
01 896 1317
Emergency number:
01 896 1999
Garda Station:
01 666 9000
National emergency number: **112**

Accommodation?

You can apply to live on campus on the Accommodation Office's website: www.tcd.ie/accommodation/

Alternatively, you can rent privately, get in touch with the Students' Union for help: www.tcd.ie/accommodation/.

Registration?

Information on how to register and pay your fees is on the Academic Registry's website at tcd.ie/academicregistry. You must register to receive your student card and your IT login details.

Lockers?

Lockers are available from the first week of term. You will be able to apply online with your TCard for a locker. It costs €20 for the year and details will be on the orientation website at www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/undergraduates/lockers.php.



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