**HEC DOUBLE -DEGREE PROGRAMME**

**Subject: Pre-approval for TCD-H.E.C.**

The Department of Economics offers a double-degree programme jointly with the H.E.C. in Paris. Joint honours Business and Economics students or single honour Business students may apply for entry to the programme. At the end of their Junior Sophister year students transfer to the H.E.C. in Paris for a further two years of study. On successful completion of this programme, students are eligible for the award of either the B.A. or B.B.S., together with the Diplôme de Grand Ecole from the H.E.C.

Admission to the programme will be on the basis of an interview and the results of the Junior Sophister examination in which applicants are required to obtain a second class (second division) result or better. Applicants should be able to demonstrate a proficient level of French.

**Students admitted to the H.E.C. (HEC Year 1) must:**

* Continue to register as students of Trinity College;
* Pay the appropriate Student Contribution to Trinity College and whatever fee due to the H.E.C;
* Are free to seek reimbursement from the Fees Office in the Academic Registry for the TCD tuition fee-equivalent that offsets part of their HEC fee;
* When available, forward on their HEC transcript to the HEC coordinator in the Department of Economics; (this is then sent through to the programme administrator and results duly noted against the student);
* If students choose to take a Placement Year between HEC Year 1 and HEC Year 2; no student contribution fee is paid this year but students must liaise with their tutor in Trinity to seek off-books status for the year; this status is duly noted on the student record.

**Students (HEC Year 2) must:**

* Continue to register with Trinity College;
* Whilst no Student Contribution is due to Trinity College, full fees must be paid to H.E.C. with no reimbursement due from Trinity College or the HEA;
* Final transcript to be forwarded on to the HEC coordinator in the Department of Economics; (this is then sent through to the programme administrator and results duly noted against the student for the purposes of Graduation inclusion).

Moderatorship is determined by averaging the overall mark attained in HEC Years 1 and 2.

Students who are interested in this programme will be asked to submit an application to Trinity in Hilary term, typically in February. The exact deadline may vary from year to year and will be communicated by email from econ.exchange@tcd.ie. Students given permission to apply by TCD, must then apply directly to the H.E.C. Paris, the website of which can be accessed by following the link <http://www.hec.edu/> .

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