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Philanthropy in Trinity 2015–16



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Welcome



Dear Friends,

I would like to thank you all sincerely for your ongoing support of Trinity. Each one of you is an integral part of our special community and your loyalty enables us to harness the talents within these walls to positively impact society.

Trinity's campus has been evolving within the heart of Dublin city for over four centuries. As Trinity's vision has grown, the University's footprint has grown with it and our aspiration is that Trinity will bring the best of Ireland to the world and the best of the world to Ireland.

In the last year, the University's long running Trinity Access Programmes (TAP) has been adopted as a model for a new Oxford University College Foundation Programme. We have turned the sod on Trinity's Business School which has been developed with the support of over 30 leading local and international business people. Trinity also announced plans for a cancer institute jointly with St James's Hospital which will set a new standard for cancer care in Ireland.

On campus this year we commemorated the 1916 Rising with a broad range of events in which many of you participated. We also welcomed back to College Trinity alumnus Professor William Campbell who received a Nobel Prize for his work in developing a cure for river blindness becoming the third Trinity graduate to win a Nobel Prize, after Ernest T.S. Walton and Samuel Beckett.

We now continue to look to the future. As philanthropy plays an ever more important role in helping Trinity achieve its ambitions we are currently preparing plans to launch a philanthropic campaign, the very first comprehensive campaign in the University's 425 year history. I look forward to keeping you updated on this exciting initiative.

We should all be very proud of Trinity and I would like to reiterate my thanks to you all and my hopes that we may continue to work together and support each other in achieving Trinity's ambitions in the coming months and years.

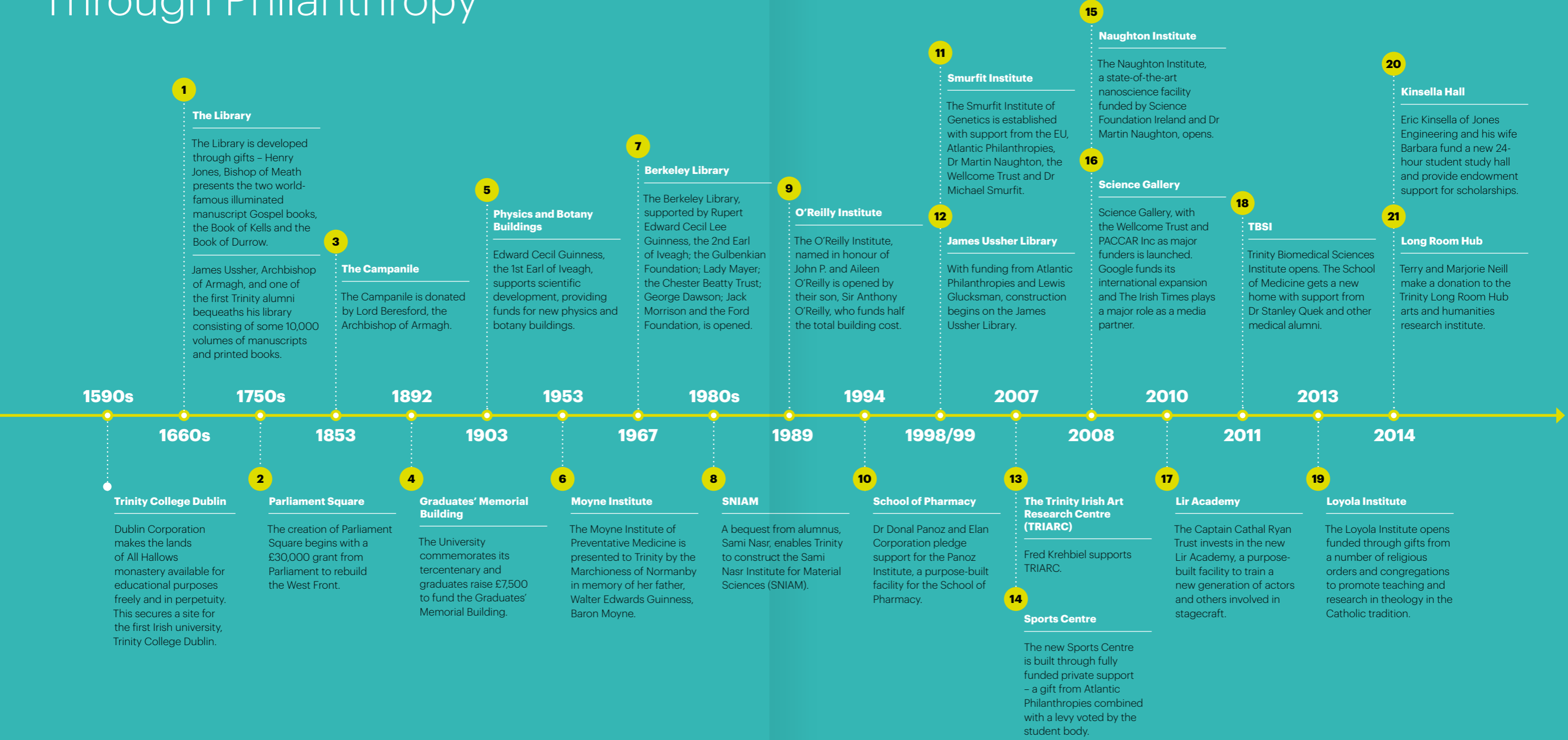
Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dr. Patrick Prendergast'.

Dr Patrick Prendergast B.A.I., Ph.D., Sc.D (1987)
PROVOST



Transforming Trinity's Campus Through Philanthropy





Supporting Trinity: Today, Tomorrow, Forever

Your ongoing generosity and support today enables Trinity's community to make an impact tomorrow, and create a legacy which will last forever.



Thomas Traynor

Thomas Traynor studied Natural Sciences and is a recent graduate of Trinity. Thomas is a Newsies Agent at Ryanair HQ.

"I really enjoyed my time in Trinity and the memories from it – like the lifelong friends made or walking through Front Square on a chilly morning. I started donating to Trinity in 2014. Two areas that I'm passionate about are the Trinity Access Programmes (TAP), which give so many people the opportunity to reach their full potential and to experience the magical memories that Trinity creates, and cancer research, as a donation towards this research is helping Trinity build a world class comprehensive cancer care centre that will benefit so many people.

During my time in Trinity I worked with the Alumni Appeal phone campaign. It was wonderful to see the impact the appeal has and the impact that alumni can have on university life after they graduate. I got so much from my time in Trinity, both personally and professionally, and it is for this reason I give back. I urge others to make a donation as it can enrich university life in many ways from supporting students to facilitating research."



Emma Kilcoyne

Emma Kilcoyne graduated from Computer Science in Trinity in 1995 and now works at Cisco in New York.

Since graduating, Emma has worked in Brussels, Silicon Valley and New York and has enjoyed a rewarding career at Cisco.

Emma supports Bridge21, an education programme based in Trinity. It offers a new model of learning which is designed to support an innovative 21st-century learning environment within schools. The Bridge21 learning model is team-based, technology-mediated, project-based, and cross-curricular.

"Since moving to the US in 2003, I was amazed at how committed and loyal my US colleagues and friends were to their colleges. While living in New York, I have mentored young women from low-income areas as they navigate a college degree and career in the IT industry. I'm grateful to Trinity for the Bridge21 programme and I'm excited by the opportunity it offers young Irish students who otherwise wouldn't have such an opportunity to get exposed to technology at a young age."



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Provost's Council

The Provost's Council was created in September 2016 and brings together a network of leading international Trinity alumni and supporters who will act as advisors to the University and help to shape Trinity's future. Council members are based in Ireland, UK, France, Germany, US, Middle East and Asia. Their business interests include finance, manufacturing, retail, investment, property, law, film and new ventures.

 Issam Alsabban

 Richie Boucher

 Brian Caulfield

 Leo Chuang

 Paul Coulson

 Stuart Coulson

 Leo Crawford

 John Daly

 Alan Dargan

 Paul Drechsler

 Colm Duggan

 Alan Foy

 Martin Frank

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 John Hegarty

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 Conor Killeen

 Eric Kinsella

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 Susannah McAleese

 David McConnell

 John Macken

 Seán Melly

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 Martin Naughton

 Shane Naughton

 Terry Neill

 Chris O'Dea

 James Osborne

 Patrick O'Sullivan

 Annraí O'Toole

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 Gilliane Quinn de Schonen

 Danielle Ryan

 Mark Ryan

 William Sargent

 Beate Schuler

 Declan Sheehan

 Fiona Thomas

 David Went



Above: Mark MacQuillan is one of the students awarded the Benjamin Oakley Memorial Scholarship.

The Benjamin Oakley Legacy

A new scholarship programme established with the generous support of a legacy gift by the late Benjamin Oakley enables Trinity students to study abroad as part of the prestigious CASA programme.

At the start of 2017, two Trinity students headed to Cuba as part of a new scholarship programme coordinated by Brown University. Trinity students are able to participate in this exciting programme as Trinity recently joined the prestigious CASA consortium of Ivy League Universities, the first non-US partner University to be invited to participate.

CASA is a non-profit organisation, comprising nine leading United States research universities. It was formed in 2014 to provide a framework to facilitate student mobility internationally through the establishment of study-centres around the world.

The CASA Study Centre was set up in Havana, Cuba, and welcomed its first students in 2015.

Trinity's Global Relations Office is coordinating the programme with CASA, and the students participating were awarded the Benjamin Oakley Memorial Scholarship to help with the costs. The Scholarship was set up thanks to a generous legacy gift left by the late Benjamin Oakley, an Engineering graduate (B.A.I. 1956). Speaking about the scholarship programme Professor Juliette Hussey, Vice-President for Global Relations, said "Benjamin Oakley's gift, which was left for the general use of the University, has provided students the opportunity to participate on a new and exciting programme in Cuba."

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— Professor Juliette Hussey

Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Bank of America Medieval Manuscripts Project

Conservation has finished on one of four oldest surviving Irish manuscripts and was viewed by former US Ambassador to Ireland, Kevin O'Malley, during a behind-the-scenes visit to Trinity College Library's conservation laboratory.

Ambassador O'Malley visited Trinity in January 2016 to see progress of a major project where four of the Library's most important early medieval Irish manuscripts conserved, digitised and made available online to the public and world of scholarship for the first time.

The four manuscripts – the *Codex Usserianus Primus*, the *Garland of Howth*, the *Book of Dimma*, and the *Book of Mulling* – make up the preeminent collection of early Christian book art in the Library, along with the *Book of Kells*, the *Book of Durrow* and the *Book of Armagh*. The Early Irish Manuscripts Project at Trinity, funded by Bank of America's Art Conservation Project, has undertaken the treatment, technical examination and art historical study of these four priceless manuscripts.

The manuscripts will be fully digitised and made freely accessible online, allowing researchers around the world to answer important questions about the unique features of manuscripts produced in Ireland during the Dark Ages.



Left: Marco di Bella, Manuscript Conservator shows preservation work to former US Ambassador to Ireland Kevin O'Malley.

Right: The symbol of St John, the eagle, is seen holding a Gospel Book; the *Book of Dimma*, p104.

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Top, L-R: Provost, Dr Patrick Prendergast pictured with Rooney Prize winners Sara Baume (2015), Doireann Ní Ghríofa (2016), Anne Enright (1991) and Kevin Barry (2007).

Bottom, L-R: Dean of the Business School Professor Andrew Burke, Education Minister Richard Bruton and Provost Dr Patrick Prendergast pictured at the recent sod-turning at Trinity Business School.

Sod-turning of the Business School

The Dean of the Business School, Professor Andrew Burke, Education Minister Richard Bruton and Trinity Provost, Dr Patrick Prendergast turned the sod on the Trinity Business School in October 2016. The new flagship school will also incorporate an Innovation and Entrepreneurship hub. The project will cost €80 million with a significant part raised from philanthropic sources and is expected to be completed at the end of 2018.



Rooney Prize for Irish Literature – 40th anniversary

In September 2016, a roll-call of Ireland’s greatest writers gathered at Trinity for a double celebration – the announcement of the Rooney Prize of Irish Literature 2016, and the 40th anniversary of Ireland’s oldest literary award.

The young bilingual Cork poet, Doireann Ní Ghríofa was announced as this year’s winner and joins a long line of distinguished previous winners including Anne Enright, Frank McGuinness, Bernard Farrell and Medbh McGuckian.

President Emeritus of the Pittsburgh Steelers and former US Ambassador to Ireland, Dan Rooney and his wife, Patricia Rooney, first established the prestigious prize for writers under 40 in 1976 when there were very few awards of its kind in Ireland and it is now Ireland’s longest literary award. “Irish literature and poetry are very close to our hearts. I am pleased that the Rooney Prize for Irish Literature is helping to discover young talent and nurture this talent,” said Dan Rooney.



Trinity Centre for Asian Studies

The new Trinity Centre for Asian Studies acts as a focal point for Asian Studies at Trinity, and brings together teaching and research in Chinese, Korean and Japanese Studies.

One of the programmes offered is the M.Phil. in Chinese Studies which has been enabled through a philanthropic donation by Dr Samuel Lam, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. (1963). The gift from Dr Lam is funding the Sam Lam Associate Professorship over four years. Dr Adrian Tien has joined Trinity as the Sam Lam Associate Professor in Chinese Studies.

Dr Samuel Lam, an alumnus from Hong Kong, is a specialist in diagnostic radiology and was the first chief corporate radiologist at the William Osler Health System in Ontario, Canada. As one of the pioneers in filmless radiology, he led his department to become the first radiology facility in Canada to adopt a comprehensive range of digital imaging technology. Besides his achievements in the medical field, Dr Lam has also dedicated himself to promoting the development of health services, social services and education.

The Eoin & Cliona Murphy Scholarship

Scholarships for students enrolled in the M.Phil. in Chinese Studies have also been supported by Trinity alumni with business connections in Hong Kong and China.

The Eoin and Cliona Murphy Scholarship is awarded annually to candidates accepted for the M.Phil. in Chinese Studies programme in the Trinity Centre for Asian Studies. Eoin Murphy is Managing Director of Vardis Hong Kong, a specialist executive search firm and his wife Cliona is Vice President, Technical for PepsiCo Worldwide Flavours (PWF) based in Cork. They met while studying Engineering in Trinity, graduating in the class of 1989 and subsequently emigrating to the UK.

They returned to Trinity to celebrate their wedding in 1996 and have continued to have a close affinity with their alma mater. Having had the experience of spending seven years in Asia, including five years in China during which time the whole family learned Mandarin, they are delighted to have the opportunity to be directly involved in sponsoring the Trinity Centre for Asian Studies.

Annual Edmund Burke Lecture

On 20 October 2015, Professor Roy Foster (Carroll Chair of Irish History, University of Oxford, and Visiting Parnell Fellow, Magdalene College, Cambridge) gave the 2015 Annual Edmund Burke Lecture.

The Annual Edmund Burke Lecture is endowed by the Fallon family in honour of Trinity alumnus Padraic Fallon (1946–2012). After graduating in Business Studies in 1969, Padraic moved to London where he pioneered a new kind of financial journalism focused on the banking and financial markets. As executive chairman of Euromoney Institutional Investor plc for nearly 30 years, he was responsible for building one of the world's leading international publishing and electronic information groups.

Above left: Dr Samuel Lam pictured with his wife Ellen Lam.

Above right, top: Robert Byrne, Cliona Murphy, Provost Dr Patrick Prendergast, Heather Gray and Eoin Murphy.

Above right, bottom: Professor Jane Ohlmeyer, Ivan Fallon, Gillian Fallon and Brian Fallon.

Engineering, Mathematics and Science

Science Gallery

This year saw more record-breaking attendance at Science Gallery at Trinity College Dublin as it created its most visited exhibition to date, SEEING, with 138,000 visitors – bringing the increase in total visitor numbers to 430,000.

During this timeframe, Science Gallery Dublin set out on a strategy to further develop its focus on education and its position as a permeable membrane between Trinity and secondary students in particular. As the first Irish recipients of the Google Field Trip Days Grant, Science Gallery Dublin facilitated over 2,219 students from 58 groups of young people from all over Ireland, particularly targeting DEIS schools, through 125 tours of its shows. This work was supplemented by the increased outreach of MAKESHOP – Science Gallery Dublin's maker space at Lincoln Place.

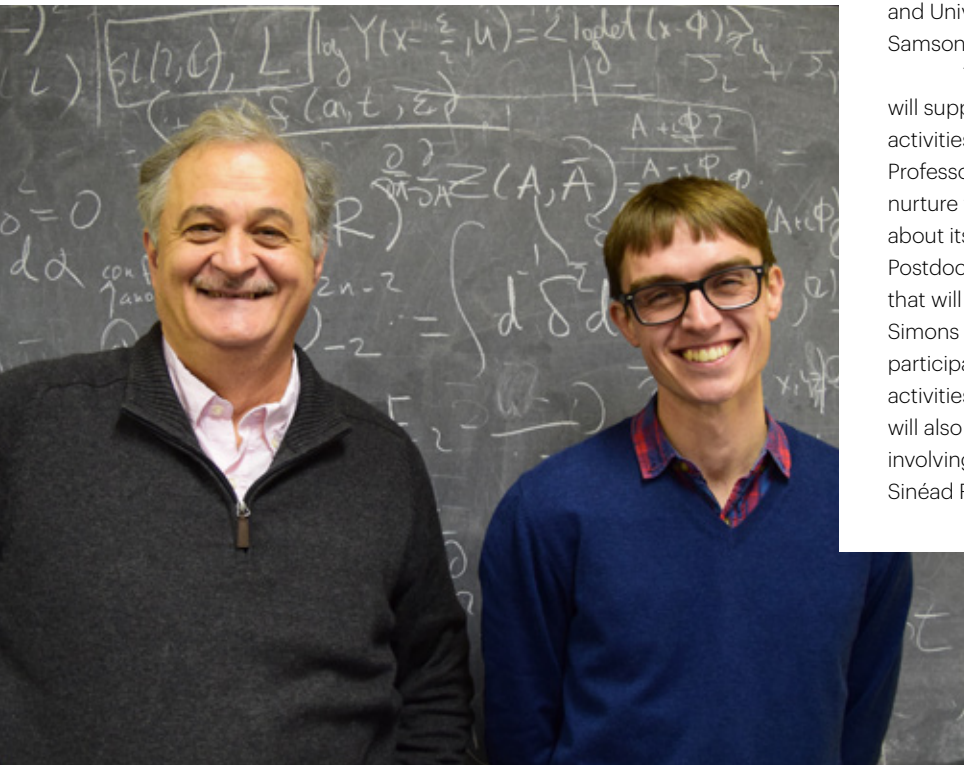
Simons Foundation award for Trinity's Hamilton Mathematics Institute

The Simons Foundation has awarded Trinity College Dublin's Hamilton Mathematics Institute (HMI) a grant of €550,000 to develop a Simons Distinguished Visiting Professor, Simons Visiting Scholar and Simons Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme.

The HMI, named after William Rowan Hamilton – Ireland's greatest mathematicians – aims to foster mathematics by creating an environment in which researchers can meet, collaborate, discuss and explain the frontiers of fundamental mathematics and related disciplines to each other.

"This support from the Simons Foundation to the HMI will provide significant energy to the institute and allow us to extend our national and international role by building on the many strengths that already exist and by stimulating and nurturing mathematics research with renewed vigour", said HMI Director and University Professor of Natural Philosophy (1847), Samson Shatashvili.

The award from the Simons Foundation will support and grow HMI's research and outreach activities in a number of ways. The Simons Visiting Professors will provide leadership in their disciplines to nurture the new generation of mathematicians excited about its fundamental role in science. The Simons Postdoctoral Fellows will undertake research projects that will enhance and enrich HMI's activities. Finally, the Simons Visiting Scholars Programme will facilitate the participation of a number of scholars in collaborative activities such as workshops and conferences. The HMI will also host a number of public engagement events involving top academics from around the world," said Sinéad Ryan, School of Mathematics.



Left, L-R: Professor Samson Shatashvili, University Chair of Natural Philosophy (1847) and Director of the Hamilton Mathematics Institute and David Wilson, Simons Postdoctoral Fellow, HMI.

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Trinity Access 21

'21st Century School of Distinction' Awards Ceremony & Show

Trinity Access Programmes

School of Computer Science & Statistics and School of

“Actually going to Trinity, seeing real students, real people, talking to real lecturers, it makes your dream a reality, it’s possible to go to college!”

— Trinity Access 21 student from Mercy Secondary School in Inchicore

Google and Trinity Access 21

Since its launch in 2015 the Trinity Access 21 (TA21) initiative has been making waves across the Irish education system. The project addresses issues facing schools today by providing teachers with opportunities to participate in 21st Century Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM) and Computer Science (CS) professional development and by developing college-going cultures in schools situated in communities where progression to higher careers and college is low.

The postgraduate certificate course in 21st Century Teaching and Learning, an integral part of the TA21 initiative, has had far reaching effects. Over 600 teachers have participated in STEM/CS training and 162 teachers have graduated to date. Teachers are coming from far and wide to participate, with 31 counties represented among the 144 teachers registered on the 2016/17 course. The impact on classroom practice has been extensive. Teachers are more confident to use technology in their teaching and they report a more inclusive classroom, with student-led work taking priority. There has also been a significant increase in the teaching of coding and computer science as a direct result of teacher participation.

The College For Every Student strand of the TA21 initiative, which cultivates strong college-going culture in disadvantaged schools, is also having an extraordinary impact on student aspiration. Since 2015, over 1100 students have visited Trinity, and all have developed meaningful relationships with past and present Trinity students. At the end of 2015, over 60 per cent of these students said they plan to complete a university degree, compared to only 39 per cent at the start of the project. It is also impacting on the careers they plan to pursue with many more students now planning to become teachers, lawyers, doctors and scientists.

From 2017 to 2020, TA21 will continue to grow and support the 1100 students beyond secondary school and extend the initiative to schools across Ireland. The Postgraduate Cert will continue in its current format and will be developed as an online offering to increase the TA21 reach even further.

Above: Director of Trinity Access Programmes Cliona Hannon speaks at a Trinity Access 21 event in The Foundry at Google.



Bridge21 and Workday

Workday is an on-demand financial management and human capital management software company founded in 2005. The company has its European headquarters in Dublin where it employs over 600 people. Trinity alumnus Annraí O'Toole is Chief Technology Officer, EMEA, at Workday and alumnus David Clarke is Senior Vice President of Technology Development at Workday headquarters in San Francisco. Last year Bridge21 and Workday teamed up to create mentoring opportunities for its employees on Bridge21's Transition Year Programme. Bridge21 is a key component of the social and educational outreach agenda of Trinity and provides inspiring technology mediated learning workshops for students from school with a low progression rate into third level education to help raise their educational horizons.

Dr Eamon Linehan of Workday volunteered as a mentor on the programme during Invent Week, a week-long project for transition year students. "The project concluded with teams presenting their prototype, elevator pitch and advertisement campaign to peers, mentors, academics and other interested parties – examples of the projects included a missing sock locator beacon and a fitness tracker built into a shoe!

I was very impressed with how participants reacted to the creative, fun, learn-by-doing approach of Bridge21. They learned valuable teamwork, leadership and presentation skills. The working environment was collaborative with as much being learned from each other as from the mentors.

As a mentor I hope I was able to pass on some of my passion for technology and I got to brush up on some Python skills as well as learning new technologies from the participants. I would encourage others to get involved and volunteer with Bridge21."

Bridge21 also received funding from the Workday Foundation to support its Computer Science Transition Year (CSTY) programme and CodePlus, girls' coding programme. The CSTY programme uses the Bridge21 approach to 21st century teaching and learning with 14–16 year-old school children to help them gain an understanding of what it's like to study computing and help them to make informed decisions about whether a career in computing is for them or not. CodePlus is broadly similar to the CSTY programme and it works exclusively with girls' schools.

Above left: Bridge21 participants pictured at the CodePlus graduation & showcase in May 2016 in the Science Gallery.

Above right: Dr Eamon Linehan, Senior Software Application Engineer at Workday and mentor during Invent Week in Bridge21.

Health Sciences



Arthritis Ireland Professor of Molecular Rheumatology

With funding from Arthritis Ireland Ursula Fearon was appointed Arthritis Ireland Professor of Molecular Rheumatology at Trinity. Professor Fearon is concentrating her research on developing state-of-the-art research techniques to examine the mechanisms of disease in arthritis; her team are examining the components of joint inflammation at a cellular and molecular level to dissect the signalling and gene pathways that are disturbed in patients who have arthritis.

The main aim of the research is to advance our understanding of what causes inflammatory arthritis, to identify biomarkers that can predict response to therapy and ultimately predict who can achieve remission, while potentially identifying exciting new targets for novel therapies for non-responders. Professor Fearon, together with the rheumatology team in University College Dublin, also funded by Arthritis Ireland, will contribute further to the expansion of academic leadership in rheumatology in Ireland and, most importantly, to finding solutions for the ultimate benefit of the people suffering from arthritis.

Above left, L-R: John O'Flynn, Chairman, Arthritis Ireland, John Church, CEO, Arthritis Ireland with Professor Ursula Fearon.

Above right, L-R: Stephen Sechler, MSc student, Bioengineering, Haytham Assem, Principal Investigator and Technical Lead, Innovation Exchange, IBM Ireland Lab, Richard Reilly, Professor of Neural Engineering, School of Engineering & School of Medicine and Robert McCarthy, Programme Director, Innovation and Business Development, IBM Ireland Lab.

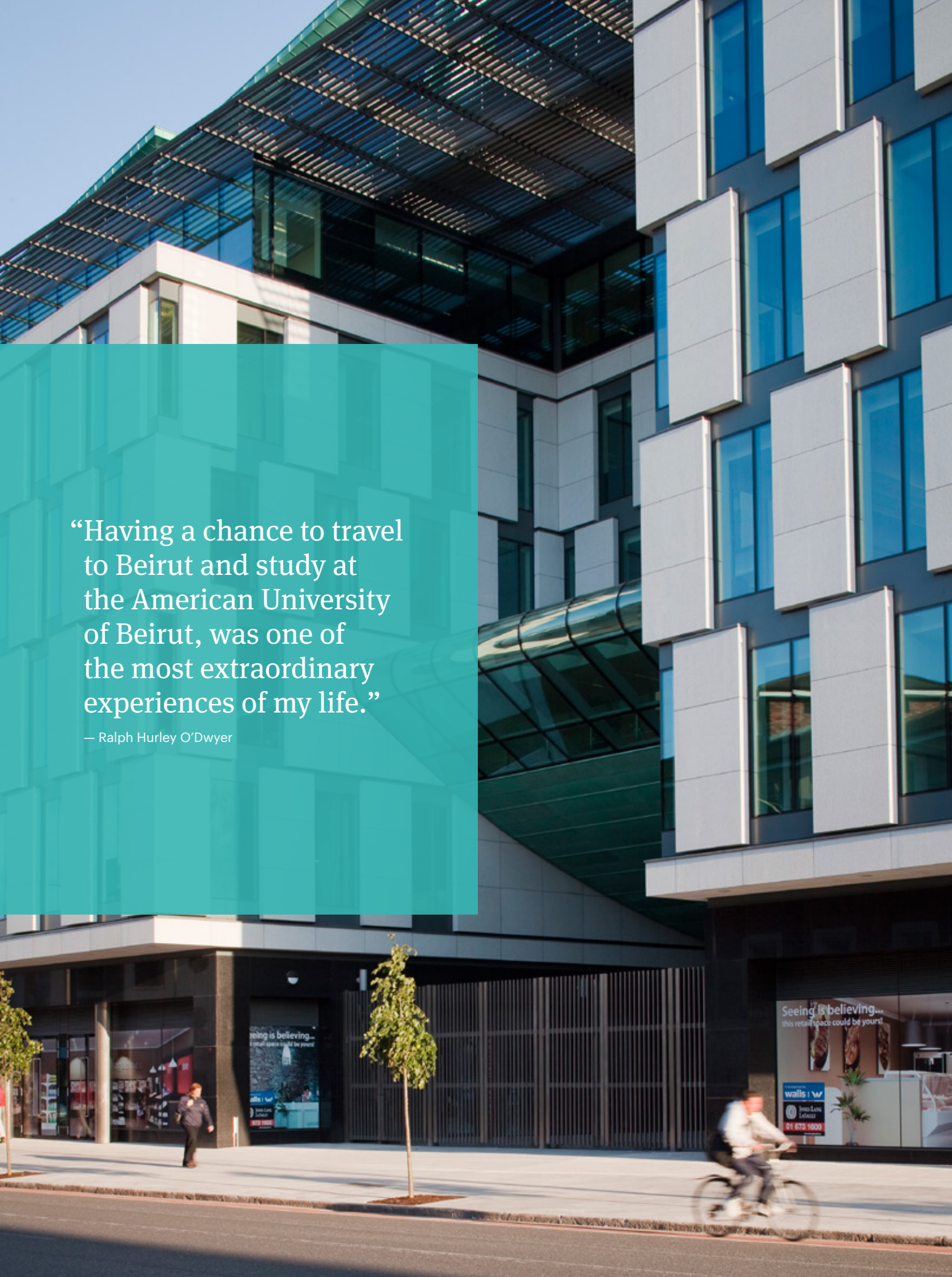


Cognitive Computing for Children with Cochlear Implants

Trinity, the National Centre for Cochlear Implants at Beaumont Hospital and IBM launched a research project using cognitive computing to help predict speech perception in children with cochlear implants. It will improve device tuning and speed, but most critically it will improve overall patient outcomes in children with severe to profound hearing loss.

To obtain a high level of speech perception, the software must be customised for each individual child. This is a complex and time consuming rehabilitation programme managed by audiological scientists over numerous sessions in order to obtain optimal access to speech and environmental sounds for the patient. The project aims to use predictive modelling to help detect the subtle signs of vital changes in a patient's sound and speech perception to enable earlier proactive intervention.

IBM data scientists and multidisciplinary teams at the Trinity Centre for Bioengineering and the National Centre for Cochlear Implants at Beaumont Hospital will use cognitive computing to gain new insights into speech perception in cochlear implants recipients. The research project is supported by an IBM Faculty Award, a competitive worldwide programme intended to foster collaboration between researchers at leading universities worldwide and those in IBM research, development, and services organisations.



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— Dr Eileen O’Reilly

The American University of Beirut and Trinity College Dublin Medical Student Exchange Programme

Dr Eileen O’Reilly is an oncologist at Memorial Sloan Kettering whose research and clinical activities focus on treating patients with pancreatic and hepatobiliary malignancies. Eileen and her husband Dr Ghassan Abou-Alfa established an endowed fund for a medical student exchange programme between the American University of Beirut and Trinity. The programme enables medical students from both countries to get to know each other better and, hopefully, contribute to creating a more peaceful world through their work as doctors in the future.

“Ghassan, my husband, is a medical oncologist too. We are very lucky to work together. We have both enormously benefitted from an outstanding undergraduate education in medicine in the respective universities of our home countries – for Ghassan: American University of Beirut (AUB) in Lebanon and for me: Trinity in Dublin. In a small way, we are delighted to have the opportunity to facilitate an international educational endeavour that supports medical student exchange between the two medical schools.”

Ralph Hurley O’Dwyer, an outstanding Final Med student and a great ambassador for the Trinity School of Medicine and University, was the first to avail of the opportunity and was in Beirut in October 2016.

In Ralph’s own words: “Having a chance to travel to Beirut and study at the American University of Beirut, was one of the most extraordinary experiences of my life. I’ve been an obsessive ‘Lebanophile’ since I was a teenager and have been learning Lebanese Arabic for the last three years. Having a chance to finally travel to Lebanon and put this study to use during a month on elective in the Paediatrics Department at the American University of Beirut Medical Center, was a dream come true. None of the experiences would have been possible without the kindness and generosity of Dr O’Reilly and Dr Abou-Alfa. My time in Lebanon has changed my life and for that I am so grateful to them both.”

Above: Dr Eileen O’Reilly and her husband Dr Ghassan Abou-Alfa.



New Haematology Position Funded by the Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust

The Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust (BMLT), a charity dedicated to supporting patients and families living with leukaemia, lymphoma, myeloma and related blood diseases, provided funding of €750,000 to enable Trinity College Dublin and St James's Hospital to strengthen cancer care and research. Dr Tony McElligott was appointed Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust Assistant Professor in Molecular Haematology, a post crucial for building research capacity for the ultimate benefit of patients with leukaemia and related diseases. Dr McElligott's research focuses on investigating the cellular and molecular basis of these malignancies to improve disease profiling and response to therapy.

Above left: Dr Tony McElligott, Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust Assistant Professor in Molecular Haematology, Trinity College Dublin.

Above centre, L-R: Mr David Byrne, Accreditation and Rankings Manager, School of Business; Dr Jessie Elliott, HRB Surgical Research Fellow, Department of Surgery, St. James's Hospital; Professor John Reynolds, Professor of Surgery and Head of Department, Trinity College Dublin, Consultant, St James's Hospital; Mr Tom Molloy, Director of Public Affairs and Communications; Mr Nick Sparrow, Director, Trinity Development & Alumni.

Above right: In September, 600 of the TILDA participants attended a special celebratory event, at which researchers and participants considered the critical impact this research continues to have on the lives of older people.



Trinity and St James's Hospital Team at the 2016 UNIPHAR C.R.O.S.S. Atlantic Cycle for Cancer Research

A team from Trinity and St James's Hospital got on their bikes to join the UNIPHAR C.R.O.S.S. Atlantic Cycle in support of cancer research at Trinity and St James's. Held from 4-8 September, the 2016 cycle was a five-day 580-km event through Dingle, Lahinch, Galway, Clifden and Westport. The cycle is the brainchild of the Friends of C.R.O.S.S. and of Paul Wallace, a rugby legend and a patron of C.R.O.S.S. Paul, along with his brothers Richard and David, and many Irish and international rugby legends, for the fifth year in a row led the cycle in aid of C.R.O.S.S., a charity that supports cancer education and research in St James's Hospital and Trinity. Over the last five years the cycle has raised over €500,000 which has been invested in the state-of-the-art equipment. For more information please visit www.crossrugbylegends.com



Celebrating 10 Years of TILDA

Established in 2006 with funding from the Atlantic Philanthropies, Irish Life and the government, the Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing (TILDA) was designed to provide an evidence base for understanding ageing in Ireland and beyond. 8,500 participants are interviewed at home every two years and take part in an in-depth health assessment every four years. Researchers gather detailed information about their health, wealth and social structures and are able to track changes in people's physical and emotional well-being over time. The research is helping them pinpoint the lifestyle choices, behaviours and strategies that prove to be the most successful for a positive ageing experience. Such is the breadth and depth of the subjects TILDA's research covers that policy makers, NGOs and others have used the findings as the evidence base for 52 policy and strategy documents covering areas from transport to health to capacity planning for services.

TILDA key facts:

- TILDA has 34 staff including 14 post-doctoral researchers and eight students and has trained 28 PhDs and post-doctoral fellows, 140 field workers and 25 research nurses.
- The TILDA team have authored 108 papers in peer reviewed publications as well as 23 reports, topic reports and research briefs.
- The TILDA study is harmonised to 13 other international longitudinal studies on ageing which allows cross country comparisons of key indicators of health, wealth and happiness.

Get Involved with Trinity

Trinity's alumni and friends support the University in many ways and here we give an overview of how alumni can get involved, from volunteering as a branch contact to becoming a donor.



GradLink Mentoring Programme

The GradLink Mentoring Programme brings Trinity alumni mentors and current students together to help develop students' knowledge of the labour market and possible future career paths. Sam Mc Mahon, 2017 GradLink Mentoring Programme participant and fourth-year Law student, shares his experience:

"The GradLink Mentoring Programme has been an invaluable aspect in my pursuit of a career in law. The vast experience and knowledge shared by my mentor has undoubtedly helped me become more focused in the area of law."

Since the programme was established four years ago GradLink has had 946 student mentees and 434 alumni mentors. Now in its fifth year, 12 Trinity schools are participating with alumni from a wide range of career areas. To learn more about how to get involved with GradLink please visit www.tcd.ie/alumni/mentoring

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— Linda Djougang



Trinity Access Programmes Alumni Appeal

Thank you to all who supported the 2016 Alumni Appeal campaign for Trinity Access Programmes (TAP). Linda Djougang shares her experience of being a TAP student:

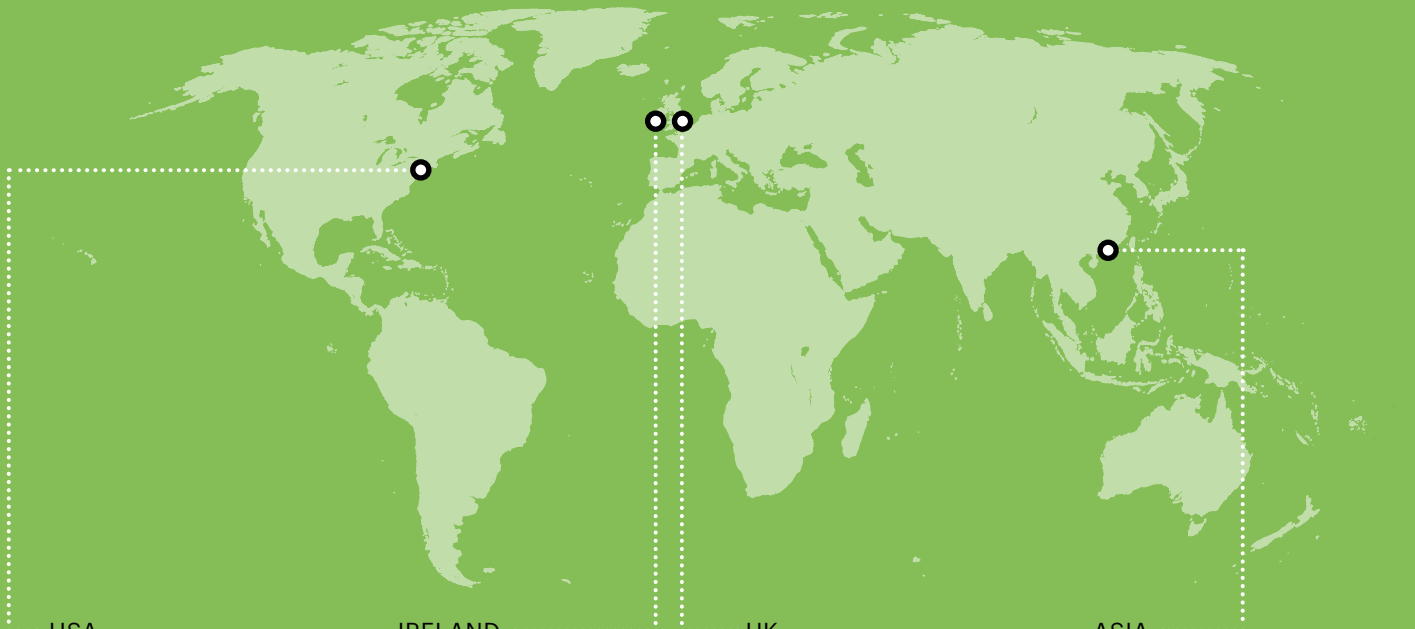
"When I was nine I flew from Cameroon to Ireland. My mum sent me to live with my father so I could have a life with better opportunities. Leaving my mum was the hardest thing I've done. Ireland was so different and I couldn't speak English. When I started school things began to change, my love of learning began. I knew I wanted to become a nurse but thought I might not achieve the Leaving Cert points because of my English – I was lucky enough to be accepted to TAP.

Getting into TAP changed my life. It provided me with a place that felt like home and made me feel confident. I improved my academic abilities while making friends. Being accepted into my nursing degree was the happiest day – I felt I deserved my place.

Grant Thornton supported me in TAP; I served an internship with them and my mentor suggested that I participate in tag rugby. I was invited to join a rugby team and was then asked to go for trials with Leinster. I was named in the women's Senior Leinster squad in September!

I couldn't be more grateful to TAP and my Grant Thornton mentor. They believed in me and helped me to be a better version of myself. I feel like I have a future now – in both nursing and in women's rugby."

Connect with Trinity Alumni Community Globally



USA

**Branch Chairperson,
NY Branch
Aileen Denne-Bolton
(1981)**

"My connection to Trinity is one of gratitude for an academic and social experience that gave me a strong foundation for building a career. When I first came to New York 30 years ago, I sought out other Trinity alumni with no specific aim but because I knew they would be interesting. Over the years I have been involved with the alumni branch to varying degrees. I network among people in my own profession regularly, but with Trinity alumni events I make broader connections that enrich my career and my personal life."



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BRANCHES WORLDWIDE

IRELAND

**Class Champion,
Alumni Weekend
2016
David Thomas (1966)**

"I always felt very privileged having trained as a doctor in Trinity and as 2016 approached, it seemed natural to organise a class reunion to mark 50 years of having qualified. With the help of the Alumni Office and two stalwart classmates, we set about tracking down our old class and bringing everyone together for the Alumni Weekend. We had a truly splendid time; learning of the ground-breaking research taking place, visiting places of nostalgia and the formal banquet evoked many memories of our time in Trinity."



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CLASS CHAMPIONS

UK

**Volunteer,
London Ball 2016
Ruth Patten &
Alix O'Neill (2006)**

"While we still meet up with other Trinity alumni in London, we wanted to organise something fun and exciting to mark our ten years out. The result was a full ballroom of London alumni dressed in tuxedos and ballgowns in the exclusive surroundings of the Mayfair's Lansdowne Club. The night was a resounding success and it was great to see so many friends, familiar faces and new acquaintances who partied until the early hours. It was a pleasure to be involved in such a great event."



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VOLUNTEERS

ASIA

**International
Welcome Programme
Mentor, Hong Kong
Henry Au (1988)**

"Although Hong Kong is an international city and there should be no problem for any foreigner living here for the first time, the International Welcome Programme has been set up to provide more resources for students on their year abroad. I have been delighted to act as a mentor for this programme, and it has also given me a chance to connect back to my old Trinity life and also learn more from our young students from Dublin. The benefits are mutual and both my mentee and I have enjoyed the experience of the programme."



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INTERNATIONAL
WELCOME MENTORS

Student Innovation at Trinity



The Student Managed Fund

Student Managed Fund (SMF) CEO John Lynch talks about the impact the SMF has had on him.

“The Trinity Student Managed Fund was founded in 2010 by five students who sought to improve the financial education of Trinity students following the financial crisis. It also sought to improve the competitiveness of graduates when applying for roles. The Fund was founded with support from Davy Stockbrokers (who remain closely involved) and other influential partners and Trinity alumni, in particular Alan Dargan. The Fund now boasts the largest Assets Under Management (AUM) of any entirely student managed fund in the UK & Ireland.

I got involved during Fresher’s week – it was stressed that I didn’t need to know about finance and that I would quickly be taught the basics. The most satisfying aspect was when I noticed myself understanding articles in the papers that were once written in a foreign language to me. I had a fantastic sector manager who gave me lots of responsibility.

As COO last year and CEO this year, I have been involved in fundraising with good success. This success is more of a testament to the level of quality and professionalism the fund has as opposed to any powers of persuasion our sponsorship team possesses! The most difficult aspect is getting in front of decision makers. Once we meet corporate representatives, they are typically very keen to align themselves with us. In more recent times, firms are now reaching out to us. We are always looking for new partnerships or donations – we’re an educational charity and donate 10 per cent of profits to Trinity Access Programmes.

The SMF is the best thing I’ve done in College. I learned a huge amount outside of my degree and found a passion for finance. I made great friends and from a career perspective, my involvement led to an internship in a US investment bank and helped to convert that opportunity into a graduate offer. When it came to interview, several fund members gave me help preparing for the multi-stage process. I emphasised the fund in my application and interviews – it was fantastic relevant experience that stood to me.”

Student Entrepreneurship in Trinity

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Trinity is ranked the No. 1 University in Europe for producing entrepreneur graduates (*Pitchbook*, 2016)

116

Companies founded by Trinity graduates, raising \$655m from 2010–15

79

Ventures supported by start-up accelerator, LaunchBox, raising €2.6m, and creating 31 jobs since 2013

61%

Percentage of LaunchBox alumni employed full-time in a start-up

100 +

Blackstone LaunchPad student ventures, with 750 students registered since January 2016

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Director's Report 2015–2016

In the year ending September 2016, many important University projects were made possible thanks to the generosity of our donors.

In 2015–2016, thanks to the support of many individual alumni and friends including the various alumni funding bodies around the globe (the TCD Association and Trust, the University of Dublin Fund US and the UK Trust for TCD), Trinity successfully secured pledges in excess of €73 million (2014–2015 €53.3 million).

Trinity Development & Alumni is committed to maintaining the highest standards of governance and transparency. We have adopted the best codes of practice in the Irish charity sector and we are fully

committed to complying with all recommendations and guidelines set by the Charities Regulatory Authority.

The University is profoundly grateful to our donors and supporters. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.

We look forward to keeping you up to date with our future developments as your support continues to make a difference. You can obtain a copy of our financial accounts for 2015–2016 at www.tcd.ie/alumni



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Pledges and Gifts

	2016	2015
	€	€
Balance forward outstanding pledges	91,319,000	51,854,000
New gifts / pledges	73,000,000	53,340,000
Cash received by Trinity Foundation & Trinity College Dublin	(12,011,767)	(13,762,000)
Adjust for write offs / debt provision / exchange loss / gain	(1,000,000)	(113,000)
Balance on pledges due at end of year	151,307,233	91,319,000

Use of Funds

Statement of financial activities for year ended 30 September 2016 is that of Trinity Foundation adjusted to reflect project funds paid directly to Trinity College and associated bodies

	2016	2015
	€	€
Opening funds	30,987,000	25,184,000
Incoming resources		
Project funds received in year	12,011,767	13,762,000
Interest earned	36,347	113,000
Total funds received in the year	12,048,114	13,875,000
Allocation of resources		
Project allocations	(17,432,472)	(8,072,000)
Net (outflow) / inflow of funds	(5,384,358)	5,803,000
Closing funds for University use at end of year	25,602,642	30,987,000

Highlights 2015–2016



86,531ALUMNI IN THE TRINITY
GLOBAL NETWORK

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VOLUNTEERS



2552

ALUMNI DONORS



47,799ALUMNI RECEIVING
INFORMATION BY EMAIL

121

GRADLINK MENTORS



977DONORS TO TAP (TRINITY
ACCESS PROGRAMMES)

75ALUMNI GROUPS
AROUND THE WORLD

6585CONVERSATIONS WITH
ALUMNI IN THE PHONE
CAMPAIGN

52COUNTRIES REPRESENTED
BY OUR DONORS AND
VOLUNTEERS

Supporting Trinity

You, as our graduate and friend, are part of a great Trinity success story. By donating to Trinity you allow young people to pursue their dreams, fulfil their potential and enable the University to maintain its world-class reputation. By supporting new programmes and scholarships you have a positive impact on the present and future of this unique University.

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If you would like to learn more about becoming part of the proud history of philanthropy at Trinity please contact Kate Bond, Director of Campaigns
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A photograph of three young women sitting on a stone bench in a university courtyard, viewed from behind. They are looking towards a large, leafy tree and a classical building in the background. The scene is bathed in a soft, teal-colored light.

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Thank you



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