

Getting started

skills4studycampus is an online resource offering e-learning modules on: *Writing skills, Referencing and understanding plagiarism, Reading and note-making, Critical thinking, Exam skills, and a new module Confidence with numbers.* It comprises a wide variety of interactive activities which you complete before taking a module assessment to see how much you learned. Based on *The Study Skills Handbook, skills4studycampus* is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

How do you access it?

- Activate your TCD student username and password that you were given at registration.
- Visit: http://www.tcd.ie/local/
- You will need to use your TCD username and password to access the Local homepage.
- Click on the skills4studycampus link at the bottom right hand side of the page.
- Go to 'First time accessing the resource?' at the bottom of the screen, and click on the link to register.
- Complete the registration form.
- You will receive an email from skills4studycampus confirming your details.
- Once logged out you can only log back in via <u>www.tcd.ie/local</u>

When you first access the resource, we recommend that you sign-up for the student newsletter from the creators of skills4studycampus, offering tips, advice, and competitions.

From the list on the left of the homepage, we recommend that you choose the most appealing module for you and take the diagnostic test. (Most students start with *Reading and note-making.*) This will identify which parts of the module are most useful to you. From there, simply explore the resource one page at a time. The activities are designed to appeal to a variety of learning styles, if you prefer to listen to material rather then reading it, click on the audio icon at the top-left of the screen.

Getting ready for academic study

Before registration and orientation week in Trinity, you can try out skills4study campus. The first section of the introductory module 'Getting ready for academic study' is freely available and it is not necessary for you to be registered in Trinity http://www.palgrave.com/skills4studycampustaster/An introduction.html

We also recommend that you explore subject specific resources and study tips at http://www.palgrave.com/skills4study/

Questions?

Many common questions are answered within the resource by following the 'Help and FAQs' link at the top right-hand corner of the screen. If you have any other questions, please contact alison.doyle@tcd.ie