



# University Council Agenda

Trinity Board Room | Trinity Business School Building

Wednesday 14 May 2025 | 11.15 – 13.00

Apologies

Declaration by New Member(s)

Statements of Interest

## Section A.1 Policy Matters

Indicative  
Timing

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| 1. | <b>Minutes</b><br>To <u>approve</u> the minutes of the meeting of 16 April 2025   | [11.15-11.20]<br>(encl) |
| 2. | <b>Matters Arising from the Minutes</b><br>To <u>raise</u> any matters arising  | [11.20-11.25]           |
| 3. | <b>Proposal to remove 30 ECTS credits in the Dual BA Programmes with Colombia University and to revise the degree calculation for entrants from 2026/27</b><br>To <u>consider and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, dated 2 May 2025<br><i>Professor Mark Hennessy, Trinity-Columbia Dual BA Programme Director, and Ms Marie McPeak, Undergraduate Common Architecture Office Manager, to join the meeting for this item</i>  | [11.25-11.35]<br>(encl) |
| 4. | <b>PG Renewal: Blueprint for Multidimensional Skills Development for Trinity postgraduate students facilitated through existing offerings and a new Triple I (International, Intersectoral, Interdisciplinary) Framework activity engagement model</b><br>To <u>consider and approve</u> the memorandum from the Dean of Graduate Studies, Professor Rachel McLoughlin, Work Package #2 (Research) Lead, and Ms Orla Bannon, Work Package #4 (Triple I) Lead, dated 2 May 2025<br><i>Professor Rachel McLoughlin and Ms Orla Bannon to join the meeting for this item</i> | [11.35-11.50]<br>(encl) |
| 5. | <b>Senior Lecturer's Annual Report 2023/24</b><br>To <u>consider and approve</u> the memorandum and report from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 2 May 2025  | [11.50-12.10]<br>(encl) |

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| 6. | <b>The Library of Trinity College Dublin Annual Report 2023/24</b><br>To <u>note and discuss</u> the report from the Librarian and College Archivist dated 7 May 2025 | [12.10-12.30]<br>(encl) |
| 7. | <b>Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer's Report</b><br>To <u>receive</u> a report from the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer  | [12.30-12.40]           |
| 8. | <b>Provost's Report</b><br>To <u>receive</u> a report from the Provost  | [12.40-12.50]           |
| 9. | <b>Any Other Urgent Business</b>  |                         |

## Section A.2<sup>i</sup>

### Policy Matters which have already been considered by Committees

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| 10. | <b>Curriculum mapping for articulation agreement with International Medical University, Malaysia</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 2 May 2025      | (encl) |
| 11. | <b>Non-EU Student Admissions Pathway to the General Nursing Programme (B.Sc.(Cur.))</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 2 May 2025                   | (encl) |
| 12. | <b>Undergraduate Award Classification, School of Nursing and Midwifery</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 2 May 2025                                | (encl) |
| 13. | <b>Cessation of Programmes leading to Bachelor of Nursing Studies and Bachelors of Midwifery Studies</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, dated 2 May 2025 | (encl) |
| 14. | <b>Entry Requirement Changes for Chemical Sciences TR061</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, dated 2 May 2025   | (encl) |
| 15. | <b>Entry Requirement Changes for Geography and Geoscience TR062</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 2 May 2025                                       | (encl) |

<sup>i</sup>Section A2 items have been fully considered by the relevant Committee. Council members are asked to inform the Secretary to the College if they wish discussion on any of the items in Section A2 by 5pm on the Monday before the meeting. If not, the Chairperson will propose that they be noted and, where appropriate, that the action proposed or reported be approved as presented.

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| <b>16.</b> | <b>Continuation of Suspension of Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship for 2025/26</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 2 May 2025.                                     | (encl) |
| <b>17.</b> | <b>Proposal for a generic Exit Award of Postgraduate Certificate</b><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circulated for Council members only</li> </ul> To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the memorandum from the Dean of Graduate Studies dated 7 May 2025  | (encl) |
| <b>18.</b> | <b>Revised English Language Policy</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the documentation from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and the Dean of Graduate Studies, dated 2 May 2025   | (encl) |
| <b>19.</b> | <b>Revised Policy on the Trinity Virtual Learning Environment (Learning Management System)</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the documentation from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and the Dean of Graduate Studies, dated 2 May 2025 | (encl) |
| <b>20.</b> | <b>Revised Programme Suspension and Cessation Policy</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the documentation from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and the Dean of Graduate Studies, dated 2 May 2025                                       | (encl) |
| <b>21.</b> | <b>Student Garda Vetting Policy</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the documentation from Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and the Dean of Graduate Studies, the dated 2 May 2025  | (encl) |
| <b>22.</b> | <b>School of Physics Quality Review Report</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the memorandum from the Academic Secretary dated 2 May 2025  | (encl) |
| <b>23.</b> | <b>School of Engineering Quality Review Report</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the memorandum from the Academic Secretary dated 1 May 2025  | (encl) |
| <b>24.</b> | <b>School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences Quality Review Report</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the memorandum from the Academic Secretary dated 1 May 2025  | (encl) |
| <b>25.</b> | <b>Marino Institute of Education – Academic Policies and Procedures</b><br>To <u><b>note and approve</b></u> the memorandum from the Academic Secretary dated 6 May 2025   | (encl) |

## Section B - Reports from Committees

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| 26. | <b>Graduate Studies Committee</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the draft minutes of the meeting of 1 May 2025         | (encl)      |
| 27. | <b>Quality Committee</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> draft minutes of the meeting of 1 May 2025                      | (to follow) |
| 28. | <b>Student Life Committee</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the minutes of the meeting of 18 March 2025                | (encl)      |
| 29. | <b>Undergraduate Studies Committee</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the draft minutes of the meeting of 29 April 2025 | (encl)      |

## Section C<sup>ii</sup> - Matters for Noting and Approval

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| 30. | <b>University Council – Observer</b><br>To <u>note</u> that Ms Camilla Persello has been elected as Secretary to the Scholars and will serve as an observer at the University Council   |        |
| 31. | <b>Administrative Procedures during the Summer Session</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> that items of routine College business relating to Council will be dealt with by the Provost or Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer between the last Council meeting of 2024/25 (14 May 2025) and the first Council meeting of 2025/26 (1 October 2025), and a report will be made to Council at its meeting of 1 October 2025 |        |
| 32. | <b>Higher Degrees—Reports of Examiners</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the reports of examiners on candidates for higher degrees (Higher Degrees List) dated 14 May 2025  | (encl) |
| 33. | <b>Consolidated List of External Examiners for Undergraduate Programmes 2025/26</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 16 April 2025   | (encl) |
| 34. | <b>Consolidated List of External Examiners for Postgraduate Taught Programmes 2025/26</b><br>To <u>note and approve</u> the memorandum from the Dean of Graduate Studies dated 1 May 2025   | (encl) |

**35. Head of Discipline**

To **note and approve** the following nominations:

- (i) Professor Frances O'Brien as the Head of Discipline of General Nursing, School of Nursing and Midwifery, from 31 December 2024 to 31 May 2026
- (ii) Professor Mary Hughes as the Head of Discipline of Children's Nursing, School of Nursing and Midwifery, from 1 June 2025 to 4 June 2028
- (iii) Professor Vivienne Brady as the Head of Discipline of Midwifery, School of Nursing and Midwifery, from 1 June 2025 to 4 June 2028
- (iv) Professor Elaine Moriarty as the Head of Sociology, School of Social Sciences and Philosophy, from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2028
- (v) Professor Timothy Stott as Head of Discipline of History of Art and Architecture, School of Histories and Humanities, for a second term until the end of Trinity Term 2028

**36. School Directors**

To **note and approve** the following nominations:

- (i) Professor Brian Barry as Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), School of Law, from 2 June 2025 to the end of Trinity Term 2027
- (ii) Professor Deirdre Ahern as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Law, from 2 June 2025 to the end of Trinity Term 2027
- (iii) Professor Mary Rogan as Director of Research, School of Law, from 2 June 2025 to the end of Trinity Term 2027
- (iv) Professor Roisin Costello as Director of Global Engagement, School of Law, from 2 June 2025 to the end of Trinity Term 2027
- (v) Professor Keith Johnston as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Education, from 2 June 2025 to the end of Trinity Term 2027
- (vi) Professor Andrew Loxley as Director of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, School of Education, from 2 June 2024 to the end of Trinity Term 2026
- (vii) Professor Jan De Vries as Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), School of Nursing and Midwifery, from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2027
- (viii) Professor Brian Keogh as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Nursing and Midwifery, from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2026
- (ix) Professor Colm Cunningham as Director of Global Engagement, School of Biochemistry and Immunology, from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2027
- (x) Professor Tomás Ryan as Director of Research, School of Biochemistry and Immunology, from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2027
- (xi) Professor Rachel McLoughlin, as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Biochemistry and Immunology, from 1 January 2025 to 30 June 2026
- (xii) Professor Mark Faulkner as Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), School of English, from 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2027
- (xiii) Professor Alice Jorgenson as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of English, from 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2027
- (xix) Professor Clare Clarke as Director of Research, School of English, from 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2027
- (xx) Professor Philip Coleman as acting Director of Research, School of English, for Hilary Term 2026, while Professor Clarke is on a leave of absence

- (xxi) Professor Dan Geary as Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), School of Histories and Humanities, from 2 June 2025 to the end of Trinity Term 2027
- (xxii) Professor Martha O'Hagan Luff as Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), Trinity Business School, for a one-year extension until 30 June 2026
- (xxiii) Professor Wladislaw Rivkin as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), Trinity Business School, for a one-year extension until 30 June 2026
- (xxiv) Professor Catherine Welch as Director of Research, Trinity Business School, for a one-year extension until 30 June 2026
- (xxv) Professor Isilay Talay as Director of Global Engagement, Trinity Business School, from 2 June 2025 to 30 June 2027
- (xxvi) Professor Théophile Munyangayo as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Languages, Literatures and Cultural Studies, from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2027

## Section D<sup>ii</sup> – Personnel Matters

In compliance with the Data Protection Acts, this information is restricted.

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<sup>ii</sup> Items in Sections C and D are, in the opinion of the Senior Lecturer/ Dean of Undergraduate Studies, of a routine nature and he will propose that they be taken as read and approved on the basis stated. If any member of Council wishes discussion on a particular item, the Senior Lecturer/ Dean of Undergraduate Studies asks that his office or the Secretary's office be informed before 5.00 pm on Tuesday.