Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What outbound mobility opportunities are available to TR060 students?

- **International Exchange (College-Wide Exchange)** to partner universities outside Europe.
- **Erasmus+ Exchange** to partner universities within Europe.

Students can study abroad for a semester or, where permitted, a full academic year.

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2. Where can I go on exchange?

Trinity has over 300 exchange agreements worldwide. For available destinations, visit the Trinity Global Mobility website: https://www.tcd.ie/global/mobility/

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3. Do I need approval before applying?

Yes. Before applying, you must obtain approval from your Academic Mobility Coordinator(s). Course availability and eligibility vary between partner universities.

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4. Can I apply for both Erasmus+ and International Exchange?

Yes, you may apply for both schemes.
However, **you can only accept one offer** and must confirm your final choice with both the Science Course Office and Trinity Global.

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5. Are exchange places guaranteed?

No. Outbound mobility is competitive. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee selection.

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6. How do I apply?

Applications must be submitted through the Science Course Office using the official application form.
Students are responsible for researching suitable host institutions and preparing the required documentation before applying.

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7. How many universities can I apply for?

Students may apply for a maximum of 4 exchanges combining the following:

- **Two host universities** for review.
- **Two moderatorships** for review.

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8. What happens after I submit my application?

1. The Science Course Office screens applications.
2. Eligible applications are sent to be reviewed by the relevant academic coordinators.
3. Approved applications are forwarded to Trinity Global.
4. Students are informed of the outcome by the Science Course Office.

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9. Can I apply directly through Trinity Global?

No. Applications submitted directly to Trinity Global without prior approval from the Science Course Office will be rejected.

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10. What are the key application deadlines?

Application Type	Deadline
Erasmus+ Semester 1	**4 December 2026**
Erasmus+ Semester 2	**9 April 2027**

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11. Is funding available for studying abroad?
Yes. Students may apply for funding and bursaries through Trinity Global.
For funding information contact: **erasmus.outgoing@tcd.ie**

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13. What must be included in my application?
University Information

- Name of host university
- Country and location

Proposed Programme of Study
For each proposed module:

- Module name
- ECTS/credit value
- Credit conversion to ECTS
- Detailed syllabus/content for each module
- Practical/laboratory content
- Timetable information

Core Module Mapping
Students must demonstrate how host university modules correspond to the core modules in their intended moderatorship.

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14. What is a core module mapping?
A core module mapping compares Trinity core modules with equivalent host university modules. The aim is not to find identical modules but to show that the proposed host modules broadly cover the intended learning outcomes and practical content.

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15. Do I need to include practical content?
Yes. Practical and laboratory content must be clearly identified and mapped separately where required by the discipline.

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16. Do modules need to be taught in English?
Yes - Students must confirm:

- Language of instruction.
- Their language proficiency level.
- Any required language certification.

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17. How do I know whether a host university module is suitable?
You should verify:

- Academic level of modules.
- Module content and learning outcomes.
- Practical/laboratory components.
- Credit weighting and ECTS equivalence.
- Timetable compatibility.
- Prerequisite requirements.

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18. What happens if my moderatorship changes?
Any mobility agreement becomes **null and void** if you are allocated to a different moderatorship other than the one specified in your approved mobility agreement.

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19. Are semester dates the same at all universities?
No. Semester dates, orientation dates, course availability, and assessment schedules differ across institutions and may change from year to year.
Students must verify these details directly with their proposed host university.

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20. How do I research host university modules?
Students should:

- Review host university course catalogues.
- Contact international coordinators at host universities where necessary.
- Consult departmental websites.
- Compare syllabi against Trinity core modules.
- Review their TR060 moderatorship handbook and programme information.

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21. Is Science Course Office approval the final step?
No. After academic approval and nomination, students must complete additional requirements and application forms through Trinity Global and, where applicable, the host institution.

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22. I've noticed that we can take part in an exchange programme with the University of California, but it isn't made clear which campuses are included could you confirm whether the exchange is available at all campuses.

The University of California system has 10 campuses. Please see University's FAQs https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply-exchange/apply-undergraduate-programs/undergraduate-faqs for answers to general questions about studying at UC and their requirements.

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22. Who should I contact if I have questions?

Science Course Office

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Trinity Global

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