



Erasmus and Study Abroad Exchange

Trinity Joint Honours for 2025/26 Exchanges

Trinity Joint Honours students who wish to go on Erasmus/Study Abroad should normally:

- Be in their third year of study
- Have passed their first and second year with a minimum of a II.2 ¹
- Finalise their degree pathway and exit award during the pathway selection period, prior to finalising and submitting their Study Abroad learning agreement. Exact dates for pathway selection will be confirmed by our colleagues in Academic Registry and the UCAO will be in touch about these processes and timelines.
- Ensure they are aware of any pre-requisites for modules in their final year, including Capstones, and make informed choices on whether to proceed with exchanges.
- Have their learning agreement approved by the relevant study abroad coordinator(s) for their subject(s) and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (UCAO) (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Seek the approval of the relevant study abroad coordinator(s) for their subject(s) and the UCAO if any changes need to be made to the learning agreement after approval, the student must ensure the changes comply with their degree pathway.
- Study both subjects on exchange according to their pathway in structures outlined below.²
- **Full-year Exchanges:**
 - Should undertake 60 ECTS for a full year abroad.
 - Will be assessed on the best returned marks for 45 ECTS (or the equivalent) completed while on a full year exchange³.
- **Half-year (One Semester) Exchanges:**
 - Should undertake up to 30 ECTS for a one semester exchange.
 - In the opposite semester at Trinity must complete 30 ECTS according to their pathway.
 - Will be assessed on the best returned marks for 20 ECTS while on a one-semester exchange abroad³.

¹ Students should be aware that their individual subjects and/or host universities may have their own additional eligibility criteria. Students are advised to research this with their subject department(s) and/or Trinity Global and are responsible for maintaining their eligibility.

² Exceptions: On an exceptional basis where there is no viable possibility to pursue exchanges studying both subjects, individual students may seek agreement from both of their departments and the UCAO to study all required credits for one subject in one semester on exchange and take their required credits for their other subject in Trinity in the other semester. Not all subjects will be able to facilitate this option and students should first discuss this with departmental study abroad coordinators.

³ Modules taken on a pass/fail basis will not be counted towards assessment or pathway ECTS requirements.

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Pathway – Joint Honours – Full Year or Half-Year Exchange

Trinity Joint Honours students who wish to graduate with a Joint Honours award in both of their subjects:

- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the equivalent of up to 30 ECTS in each of their subjects for a full-year exchange, or the equivalent of 15 ECTS in each subject for a half-year exchange.
- Will need to choose the Joint Honours degree award pathway during the pathway selection process.
- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by both of their subjects and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 22.5 ECTS (or the equivalent) in both of their subjects for a full-year exchange. Students on a half-year exchange will pass a minimum of 10 ECTS (or the equivalent) in both of their subjects.

Pathway - Major with Minor Option A – Full Year Exchange

Students who wish to graduate with a Major with Minor award on pathway 'Option A' where they study both their Major and Minor Subject in Year 4 and go on a full-year exchange:

- Should normally apply for through the department of their Major subject².
- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the equivalent of up to 40 ECTS in their Major subject and the equivalent of up to 20 ECTS in their Minor subject.
- Will need to choose the Major with Minor – Option A degree award pathway that continues the study of both subjects into Year 4.
- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by their Major subject, Minor subject, and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 35 ECTS (or the equivalent) in the Major subject and a minimum of 10 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Minor subject.

Pathway - Major with Minor Option A – Half Year Exchange

Students who wish to graduate with a Major with Minor award on pathway Option A (where they will study both their Major and Minor Subject in Year 4) and go on a half-year exchange:

- Should normally apply for through the department of their Major subject⁴.
- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the equivalent of 20 ECTS in their Major subject and the equivalent of 10 ECTS in their Minor subject.
- Will need to choose the Major with Minor Option A degree award pathway that continues the study of both subjects into Year 4.

⁴ If there is no possibility of exchange through the Major department, a student may pursue an exchange through the Minor department provided both the Major department and the UCAO approve this arrangement and provided the partner institution offers sufficient credits in both subjects.

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- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by both of their Major subject, Minor subject and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 15 ECTS (or the equivalent) in the Major subject and a minimum of 5 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Minor subject.

Pathway - Major with Minor Option B – Full Year or Half Year Exchange

Students who wish to graduate with a Major with Minor award on Option B (where they will finish studying their Minor Subject in Year 3):

- Should normally apply for through the department of their Major subject⁵.
- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the equivalent of up to 30 ECTS in each of their Major and Minor subjects for a full-year exchange, or the equivalent of 15 ECTS in their Major and Minor subjects for a half-year exchange.
- Will need to choose the Major with Minor Option B degree award pathway that finishes the study of the minor subject in Year 3.
- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by both their Major subject, Minor subject, and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 22.5 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Major and Minor subjects for a full-year exchange. Students on a half-year exchange will pass a minimum of 10 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Major and Minor subjects.

Pathway - Single Honours – Full Year or Half Year Exchange

Students who wish to graduate with a Single Honours award in one of their subjects:

- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the equivalent of up to 60 ECTS in their subject for a full-year exchange or the equivalent of up to 30 ECTS for a half-year exchange.
- Will need to choose the Single Honours degree award pathway during the pathway selection process.
- Open Modules and Trinity Electives do not need to be replicated abroad as the requirement for breadth of learning will be fulfilled on the basis of what Erasmus/ non-EU exchanges achieve towards a diverse experience of education. Students may opt to take additional modules while abroad as breadth but are not required to do so.
- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by their subject and confirmed by the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 45 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Single Honours subject on a full-year exchange. Students on a half-year exchange will pass a minimum of 22.5 ECTS (or the equivalent) in the Single Honours subject.

⁵ If there is no possibility of exchange through the Major department, a student may pursue an exchange through the Minor department provided both the Major department and the UCAO approve this arrangement and provided the partner institution offers sufficient credits in both subjects.