Monday 27th June 2022

Dear Students,

Welcome to the School of Medicine, Trinity College Dublin as new members of our School and College community. We hope you are all keeping well and looking forward with excitement, and no doubt some trepidation, to the opportunities and challenges we will navigate together over the course of the next 5 years.

You are joining a cohort of students that we are very proud of, our current and recently graduated students, were great ambassadors for the School and set a wonderful example by volunteering throughout the pandemic and also assisting with the national vaccination programme rollout. We would like to commend them for their resilience and professionalism.

The good news is that during Academic Year 2021/22 the public health measures including the rollout of the vaccination programme in Ireland resulted in a clear suppression of the virus with those contracting the virus generally experiencing milder symptoms. This enabled a full return to in person teaching which is an essential part of a professional course requiring face to face experiences with teachers, fellow students, and of course, patients.

Please see information below in relation to the Year 1 schedule which may not align with the general College Calendar.

- Orientation week (in person events) will commence on Monday 19th September, a little later this year due to a later release date for our local Leaving Certificate Examination results.
- Teaching will commence on Monday 26th September.
- There will be a reading week Monday 24th October.
- Semester 1 examinations will likely take place week of Monday 9th January.

We will post the Overview of Year 1 online in the coming weeks and the detailed timetable with student groupings for small group teaching events will be available in mid-September. It’s really important in the meantime that you link with our Global Office for pre-departure advice. The following links may be of use and are updated regularly

Incoming Year 1 Medicine 22/23  https://www.tcd.ie/medicine/ug-med/incoming-students

Student Orientation  https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation

We look forward to meeting you in September and we hope that you all stay safe and enjoy the summer break.

With best wishes to you all and to your families.

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