



International Student Checklist

School of Religion, Belfast

Read the Guide for International Students

This covers all the essential information you need as an international student coming to study in Belfast, including advice on accommodation. Find it on the [International Students page](#).

Collect your Biometric Residence Permit after you arrive in Belfast

You will need to collect your BRP within 10 days of your arrival in the UK from the main Post Office branch in High Street, Belfast.

Scan or photograph your BRP and passport entry stamp and email to the CRR office

We are required to keep a copy for our records. Please email to SRAdmBlfst@tcd.ie at the start of term.

Keep your online student record updated with your term time contact details

Remember to add your term time address and phone number to your Trinity student record and to update your details if you move house during the year. Contact details are needed for visa records, as well as track and trace.

Register with a doctor

Due to the pandemic it is advisable for all international students to register with a doctor. This will enable you to access any vaccine booster schemes which come on stream as well as medical assistance should you become ill. Your visa entitles you to free healthcare on the NHS. See the Healthcare in Northern Ireland factsheet for more information.

If you wish to open a bank account

Once you know your term time address we can provide a letter confirming your student status and address which can be used to open a bank account. Opening an account can sometimes be a complicated process so some students opt to use wire transfers or financial apps such as Revolut instead.

Attendance records

We are required to keep attendance records for students on visas. We will advise you how we are going to do this at the start of term.

Bring your ID if you are travelling south of the border

Very rarely there can be ID checks on public transport travelling south of the border. It's therefore a good idea to carry your Trinity and BRP cards with you. Your Trinity card will be available as an App.

Short Irish Visitor Visas

Citizens from certain countries may need a short visitor visa from the Irish authorities to travel legally to the south of Ireland. Trinity International Office can help with Irish visa queries — you may like to look into this before your arrival if it applies to you. Contact international@tcd.ie.

The records we keep for students on a UK visa (copies of BRP and passport) are a legal requirement. Copies are retained for one year after you finish your course and are then deleted.