

PRE-ARRIVAL INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

COVID

Please visit Trinity's [COVID](#) webpages for the latest information and prospective student FAQs.

International Students - Before You Leave Home

There are a number of things to do before you leave home to ensure that your arrival runs smoothly. One of the most important of these is to ensure that you have all the necessary documentation to allow you enter the country. You must fulfil all relevant immigration requirements prior to arrival. Applications for visa should be made to your nearest Irish Embassy or Consulate office well in advance of your intended travel date. Visit the [Department of Justice](#) website for more information. Please ensure that you also have transit documentation, if required, if you intend to arrive in Dublin via another European city.

If you intend to travel to any of the six counties in Northern Ireland which are under UK jurisdiction, you should be aware that you will need a visa from the UK authorities. You will also need a re-entry visa for returning to the Republic of Ireland. In these circumstances, it is advisable, where possible, to apply for multiple visas which are usually valid for six months from the date of issue.

Visas Immigration

Please see [information on visas and immigration](#).

Registering with Gardai

Once in Ireland, students may be required to register with the Garda National Immigration Bureau (GNIB) and once registration has taken place on the main TCD campus, we can provide a letter confirming your status. To see details of registration with the Garda authorities please visit their [website](#).

Find Us

International Peace Studies
Irish School of Ecumenics/Loyola Institute Building,
Trinity College, College Green, Dublin 2, Ireland
We are located next to the Zoology Building, facing a courtyard and the playing fields.

[Please click here to view our Dublin location on google maps, this also allows you to get driving/walking directions.](#)

Email: srpostgrad@tcd.ie, Tel: +353 (0) 1 896 4770, Fax: +353 (0) 1 672 5024

On Arrival and Transport

On arrival in Dublin Airport, you can get an express aircoach to the city centre and some suburbs, or a taxi, from Dublin Airport. For further details and on-line booking see <https://www.aircoach.ie>.

Typical cost of taxi from Dublin Airport to town is 40-50 Euro.

Dublin Bus runs the bus system in Dublin – you can view timetables [here](#). Please note, buses do not always run to schedule! See also [Dublin Bus App](#). There is also a tram system [Luas](#), connecting Dublin city centre to specific suburbs.

Trinity College Dublin Registration

The [Academic Registry](#) provides central academic administrative services including support of the following student life cycle activities:

- UG & PG Admissions
- Fees & Payments
- Registration
- Lecture Timetables
- Study Abroad
- Examinations & Assessment
- Research Degrees

Details of registration will be sent to you on your personal portal site so please continue to check this regularly.. Your student ID card will be available as an APP. Again, details will be available from Academic Registry through your portal site. Once registered, you will have access to library and other facilities on campus.

Currency

The Republic of Ireland's currency is the Euro (€) divided into one hundred cent (100c). Notes are issued to the value of Euro €100, €50, €20, €10 and €5 and coins to the value of €2, €1, 50c, 20c, 10c, 5c, 2c, 1c

Module Registration

You will be emailed with instructions about module registration in late August/early September. Short module summaries and suggested reading on the IPS website. All module outlines will be available on blackboard at the start of semester.

Cost of Living in Dublin

For rough guide to cost of living and other practical information visit the [Irish Council for International Students website](#).

Accommodation

Please see [Accommodation](#).

Accommodation is probably the largest item of expenditure for most students. Accommodation in the Dublin area can be difficult to secure and can be expensive. However, providing you allow sufficient time before start of term to look around at the available options, it should not be a problem finding something suitable.

The accommodation office in TCD has information on all aspects of the accommodation situation in Dublin. Please view their [website](#) for details of rooms available within Trinity (very limited) or in the newer apartment complex at Trinity Hall. In order to enquire about availability, you must quote your student no. which is on the official offer letter which was sent by the Dean of Graduate Studies.

Student Health / Medical Insurance

The [Student Health Service](#) has details of the health service provided to registered students.

EU STUDENTS/NON EU STUDENTS please visit the International Office at Trinity College with regard to insurance cover:

International Office, East Theatre, Trinity College Dublin, Dublin 2, Ireland
Tel: +353 1 896 3150
Email: international@tcd.ie
Fax: +353-1 677 1698

Non-EU students are advised to guard against the problems of accident or serious illness by taking out insurance cover for medical treatment and hospitalisation before leaving their home country. Please check with your Insurance Company back home that you are sufficiently insured for your period of study in Ireland. If you do not already have insurance cover, you may wish to insure with the VHI Healthcare or BUPA Ireland (see above).

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Social

There are many societies and clubs at TCD to which students can belong, details of which will be given to you at registration. At School of Religion we also organise many events and activities throughout the year in which we hope you will partake, all intended to allow you to meet other students and to make your time with us as enjoyable an experience as possible.

Queries

We hope this document has provided useful information. If you have any further queries, please contact the Programme administrator, or coordinator.

We look forward to meeting you soon and hope that you will have a very fruitful and enjoyable year as you become part of our student body. Please do not hesitate to contact any member of the school if there is any further information you require. We are available at the above sites or by phone and we will be pleased to help in any way we can to assist you as you prepare for your time here at School of Religion.