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Study Abroad with the Department of Sociology

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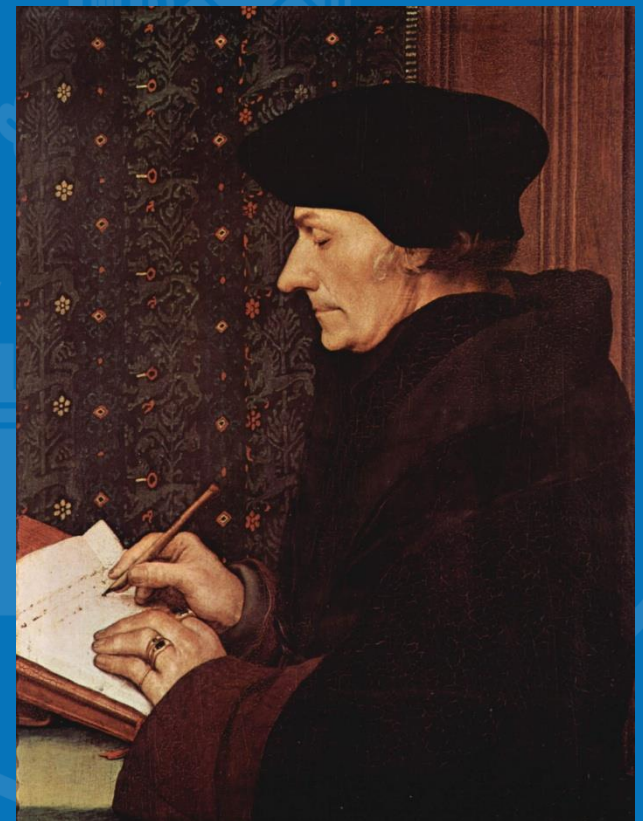
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What is the Erasmus programme?

- Desiderius Erasmus of Rotterdam (1465-1536): philosopher, humanist and theologian
- Moved around Europe in a quest for knowledge, experience and insight
- Research shows that a period spent abroad not only enriches student lives in the academic field but also in the acquisition of intercultural and linguistic skills and self-reliance





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International Exchange v Erasmus

International Exchange:

- Study Abroad at TCD's partner universities outside of Europe
- Application is managed by Trinity Global
- You can apply for a Global Mobility Bursary

Erasmus+

- EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport within Europe
- Applications are managed by Trinity Schools/Departments and students apply to their subject areas' Erasmus partner universities (with exception of Coimbra, CHARM and ELAN)
- You can apply for an Erasmus+ Grant
- More teaching in native languages



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Sociology Erasmus+ Destinations

2:2 in Second Year Required

- Sorbonne University, Paris (2 places)
- Universitat de Barcelona (2 places)
- Charles University, Prague (2 places)
- University of Utrecht (2 places)
- University of Helsinki (2 places)
- Istanbul Bogazici University, Istanbul (2 places)
- Ludwig-Maximillian University Munich (6 places)
- Umeå University (6 places)
- University of Malta (2 places)



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International Exchange Destinations

2:1 in Second Year Required

- Australian National University
- University of Melbourne
- McGill University
- University of Toronto
- National University Singapore
- New York University
- Boston College
- University of Pennsylvania
- Georgetown University
- University of Massachusetts
- University of California
- University of Chicago
- UNC Chapel Hill
- University of Notre Dame
- Barnard College New York
- Tokyo University
- Beihang University
- Peking University
- Tsinghua University



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Budgeting

- Accommodation
- Travel
- Food & Transportation
- Visa expenses
- Health & Travel insurance
- Academic Supplies
- Entertainment/social expenses
- Trinity College fees (NOT host university fees)
- Remember: Students should thoroughly research the host country cost of living
- Note: Grant and bursary are distributed *after* arrival in host country.



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€350 per month in 23/24

Denmark, Finland, Iceland,
Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway,
Sweden

€300 per month in 23/24

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia,
Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, France,
Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy,
Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands,
Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Slovakia,
Slovenia, Spain, North Macedonia,
Turkey

All amounts are subject to change

Financial assistance: The Erasmus+ grant (not guaranteed!!)

Funding for mobility to other
countries is possible (max. 20% of
overall budget)

**Funding for UK exchanges is not
available**

Switzerland Swiss-European Mobility
Programme (SEMP) funding (approx.
€400)

Green travel: financial incentive + up
to four funded travel days €30-80 in
case of travel support or €50 on top
of mobility grant



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The Erasmus+ Additional Supports

Historically students in receipt of SUSI grants (national criteria)

- SUSI & BTEA grant is still provided while on Erasmus
- €250/pm top-up **may** be allocated if the mobility is mandatory (dependent on adequate funding being allocated to Trinity by HEA and European Commission)
- The Global Mobility Team provides more information on this as it is made available by the HEA/European Commission
- Extra financial support is also available to students with a disability who may require specific services while abroad



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Financial assistance: The Global Mobility Bursary

- Students going on an international exchange are eligible to apply for a Global Mobility Bursary
- This is a separate application form sent to the eligible cohort by Trinity Global
- Competitive application process
- Typically bursaries are between 500-1000 euro
- Students on SUSI grants are prioritised for this funding



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College Wide Erasmus+

- Trinity is a part of some networks that offer Erasmus+ exchanges not tied to a particular TCD School/Department
- **CHARM/Coimbra Group** exchange network: Trinity Global. View the fact sheet online for more information.
 - Apply for these programmes via the college wide, international exchange application.
- **ELAN** (European Liberal Arts Network): Managed by Dr David Ditchburn, School of Histories and Humanities
 - Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences students only (2:1 required)





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Half a year or full year?

- If you spend half a year abroad, you will be examined on the basis of work completed during the other half at Trinity plus any examinations in the modules you take at the host university
- If you decide to spend a full academic year abroad, you will take modules equivalent to those at Trinity via the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) and your marks obtained abroad will be converted back into a Trinity grade
- In either case, you need to discuss your module choices and sign a Learning Agreement prior to your departure



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Application Requirements

Grade Requirement

- Erasmus+ : II.2 in your first-year grades
- International exchange: II.1 in your first-year grades

Language requirement

- Typically a B2 in the language of instruction is required
- **Erasmus+** Language support & placement test available through EU 'Online Linguistics Support'
- Erasmus partners selected because they offer instruction through English, but not true of all modules! Check the institutions website



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Academic Considerations

Your study abroad semester/year counts toward your final Trinity grade. You will create a learning agreement with pre-approved modules that you can take at the host university to satisfy your Trinity course requirements

Course load requirements:

- Full Year: 60 ECTS / 1 Semester: 30 ECTS. Assessed on highest 45 or 20
- Your modules must be approved by your academic coordinator
- Do not register for a module without their approval
- Ensure you are taking the correct amount of credits (IN LINE WITH PATHWAY)
- The Learning Agreement must be signed before you begin your exchange
- Beware! Some universities do not allow you to change your course choices



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How Do I Apply?

Visit the SSP Study Abroad Page:

<https://www.tcd.ie/ssp/undergraduate/study-abroad/apply/>

Complete the application form and submit to:

ssp_studyabroad@tcd.ie Any queries to the same address

International Exchange:

<https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/outbound/apply/apply-international.php>



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Timelines:

Applications open: Monday 16th October 2023

Deadline for applications: Friday 17th November 2023

Offers: First round offers will issue before Christmas 2023



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Next Steps:

October – November:

- Attend advising sessions with Trinity Global staff from mid Oct – mid Nov. Applications open on 16th October 2023. Application form will be available at <https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/outbound/apply/>
- Discuss your learning agreement with the Academic Exchange Coordinator in your School/Department
- Apply for International Exchange by the deadline Friday 17th November 2023

December:

- Receive offers for International Exchange. If you accept an offer for International Exchange you will not be offered an Erasmus Exchange so think about this carefully before accepting.

Spring:

- Trinity nominates you to the partner university (later for Hilary Term exchange) • You complete the host university application form

Later:

- Bursary and grant documentation
- Attend offer holder information session and pre-departure sessions
- Prepare for departure



Passports and EHIC

- Make sure passports are renewed in time if planning to go abroad (they should not expire during the time you are abroad)
- Make sure you have the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). The card is valid for up to two years. You are entitled to get healthcare through the public system in countries of the European Union (EU), European Economic Area (EEA), and Switzerland
- You must remain registered at TCD even if you go abroad for a full year, so make sure you are registered before leaving



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Questions??