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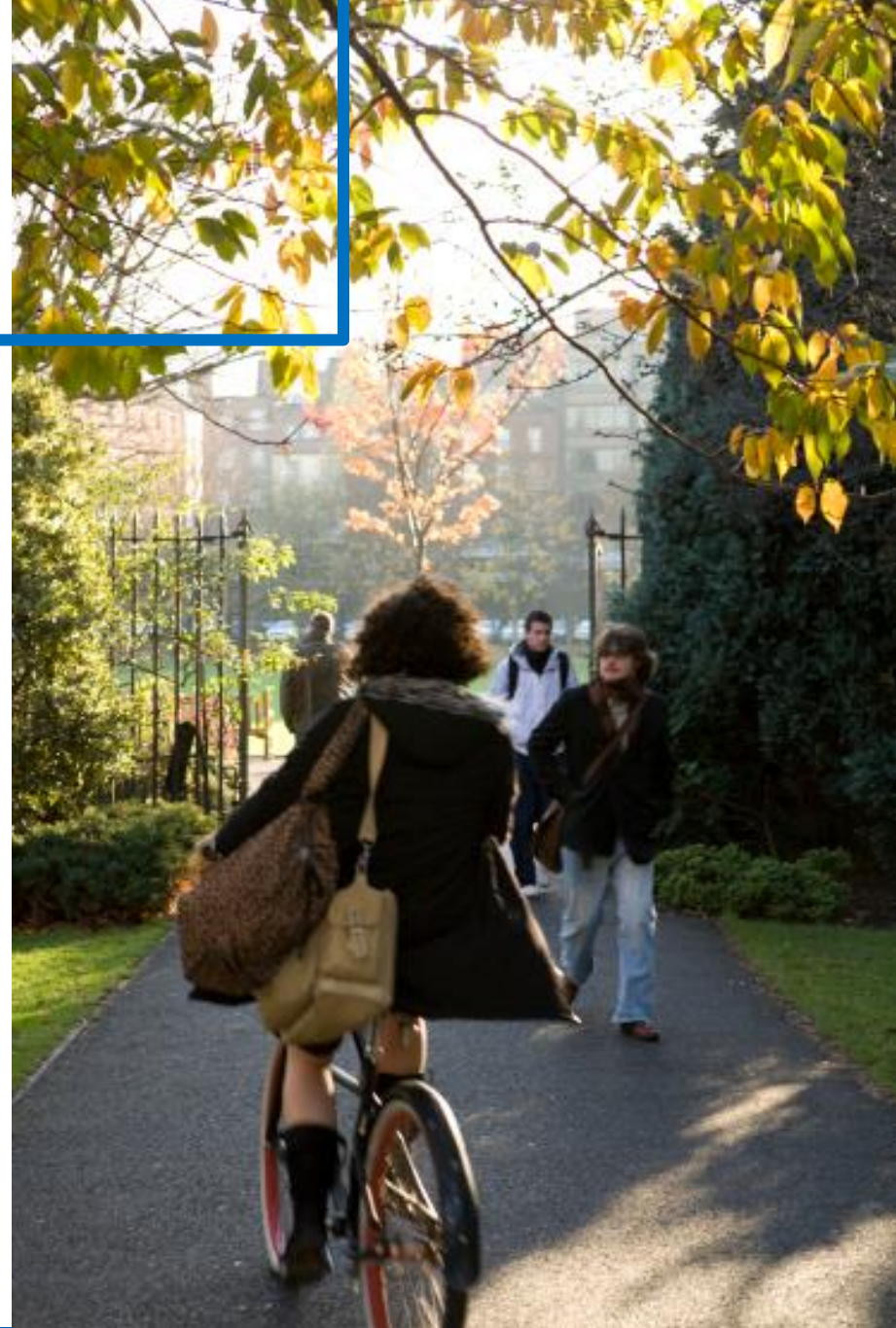
The University of Dublin

Study Abroad Orientation

23 September 2020

TODAY'S SESSION

- Study Abroad Orientation
- International Student Supports and Global Room
- Banking, Health Insurance and Immigration





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STUDY ABROAD WELCOME & ORIENTATION

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STUDY ABROAD TEAM

- Office of the Vice President for Global Relations
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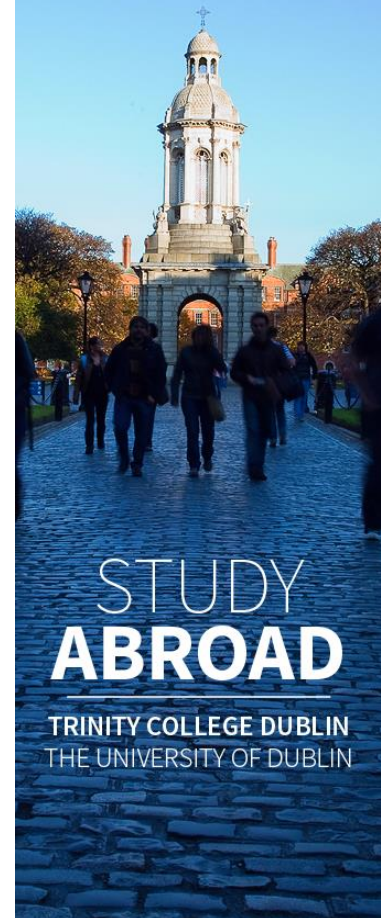
CALENDAR AND IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Semester (Michaelmas Term) 2020

Study Abroad Orientation Week	Monday 21 September – Friday 24 September 2020
First date of Teaching for 2nd – 4th year modules	Monday 28 September – Friday 1 October 2020
Fresher's Week (First Year Orientation)	Monday 28 September – Friday 1 October 2020 Sign up for Clubs/Societies online!
First Date of Teaching for 1st year modules	Monday 5 October – Friday 8 October 2020
Module Enrolment Deadline	Friday 9 October 2020
Reading Week	Monday 9 November – Friday 12 November 2020 <i>(Note: only for 2nd – 4th year modules, there is no Reading Week if you are taking any 1st year modules.)</i>
Revision Week (Remote if needed)	Monday 4 January – Friday 7 January 2021
Assessment Week (Remote if needed)	Monday 11 January – Friday 21 January 2021

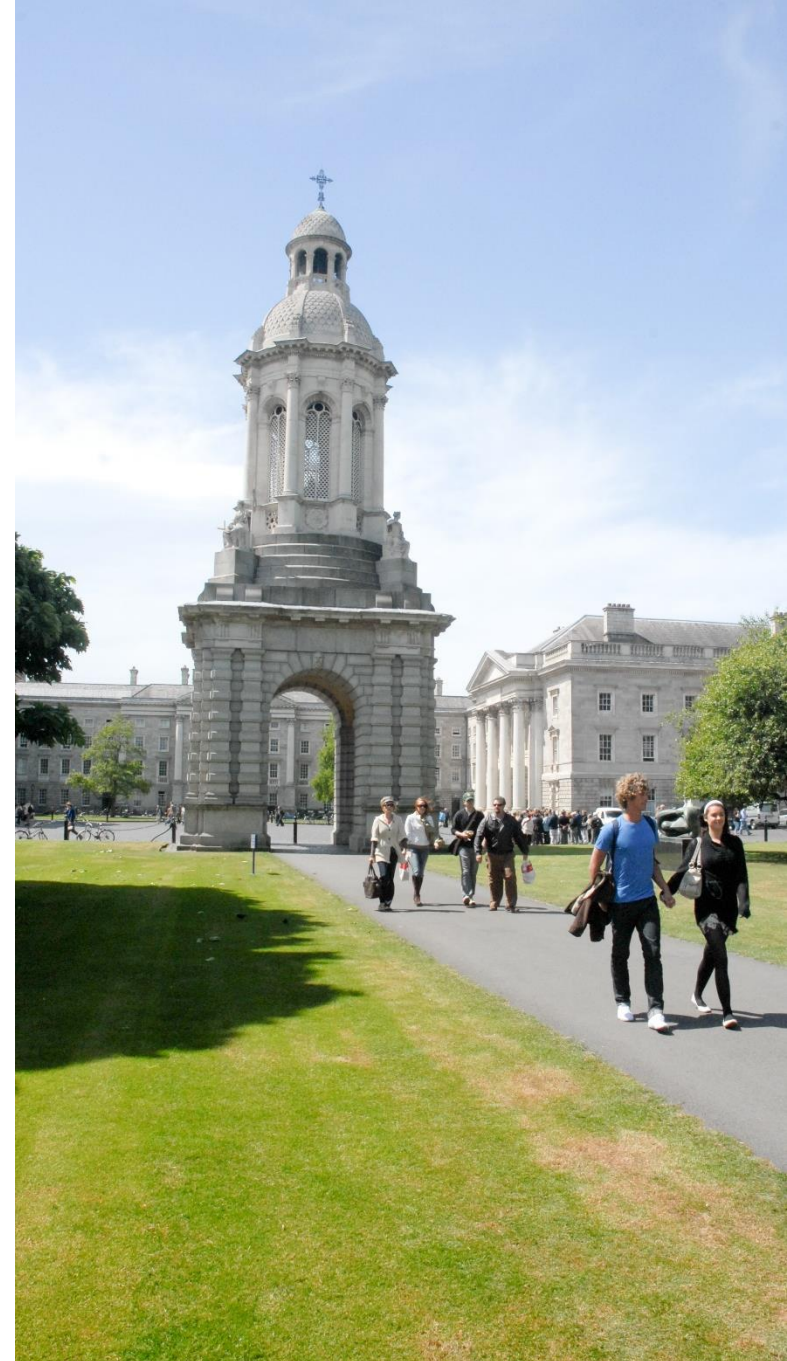
STUDY ABROAD RESOURCES

- Study Abroad Team is your main point of contact at Trinity for any questions. Keep an eye out for emails from me with important info!
- Read through the Resources for Study Abroad students handout I have sent on which includes details about: Academic, Social and Study Abroad supports at Trinity.
- I will hold events and advising throughout the term to help you adjust.
- Let us know if you need support!
- Make sure to check TCD COVID FAQ page for most up to date info:
<https://www.tcd.ie/about/coronavirus/>



RESOURCES HANDOUT

- **Study Abroad Support**
 - Advising throughout term
 - Home University
- **Academic Support**
 - Student Learning Development
 - Disability Service
 - Senior Tutor
 - Schools/Departments
 - Global Officers
 - Academic Registry
- **Student Support**
 - S2S Mentors
 - Global Room & Ambassadors
 - Student Counselling Services
 - Students' Union



STUDENT LIFE

- Details in SA Resources Handout
- **Student Life**
 - Clubs and Societies
 - Sport Groups
 - Sport facilities
 - Volunteering
- **College Events**
 - Clubs/Socs and [Trinity Events page](#)
 - Follow Global Room Social Media
- **City Events**
 - Events at Binary Hub / KC
 - [LovinDublin](#), [What's On Dublin](#), [Eventbrite Dublin](#), etc.



PRACTICAL INFO

- [Trinity Jargon Buster](#)
 - Study Abroad/Exchange/Visiting /Erasmus, Full-degree (UG/PG)
- Banking
 - Irish bank account is OPTIONAL for study abroad students studying in Ireland (except if you are receiving a scholarship!)
- Communication
 - Forward your home university email to your Trinity email or vice-versa – important that you check both!
- Accommodation
 - Make sure you know policies in advance for losing or replacing keys, welcoming guests, etc.
- Enrolment/Fees
 - Double-check that your fee matches the faculties you are taking modules in.

In Case of Emergency

- It is a good idea to have the following numbers saved in your phone:
 - In Case of Emergency (ICE) contact number
 - TCD Campus Emergency Number +353 1 896 1999
 - Your Accommodation's 24/7 or emergency number
- Know the numbers 999 and 112 – both are the emergency numbers in Ireland.
- College Health Service is offering free COVID testing on campus to those presenting symptoms. Health Service also offers out of hours support (see Resources Handout for details).
- Please also keep the study abroad team updated so we are aware of the situation and can best assist you.

CREDITS and COURSE LOAD

- ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System)
- 30 ECTS is standard credit expectation
- Number of modules you enrol in depends on weighting of the modules. Will vary by area and level of module.
- Each module is usually 5 or 10 ECTS, so number of modules varies between 3 and 6 per term.
- Do not recommend any fewer than 25 ECTS. (Absolute minimum of 20 ECTS at TCD for access to student services and immigration status.)
- Double-check number of credits and credit transfer with your home university if you are unclear.
- Full degree vs Study Abroad enrolment process

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

- International Education
 - New educational context
- Common Areas of Academic Culture Shock
 - Emphasis on Independent Learning
 - Library Hours, Marking System (next slide), etc.
 - Many supports available to you! Consult the [How to Study at Trinity Guide](#), reach out to SA team and Academic Resources
- Academic Processes
 - Module Withdrawals: Formal petition process through Senior Tutor for class withdrawals after module enrolment deadline
 - Examinations: Set schedule announced at a set time; Formal petition process to request permission to re-sit an exam
 - Re-grading: Formal process reviewed by third party
 - Extra credit, etc.

MARKING AT TRINITY

- Check with home university re- marking and credit transfer policies
- Marks can vary between faculties at Trinity, and first class honours (a 70% or above) is quite rare!
- It is important to remember that you are studying abroad in a different educational system and as a result, the grades you receive will be different from the marks you are used to at home.

Degree Classification	Grade	Percentage Range
First Class Honours	I	70-100%
Second Class Honours, First Division	II.1	60-69%
Second Class Honours, Second Division	II.2	50-59%
Third Class Honours	III	40-49%
Fail	F1	30-39%
	F2	Below 29%

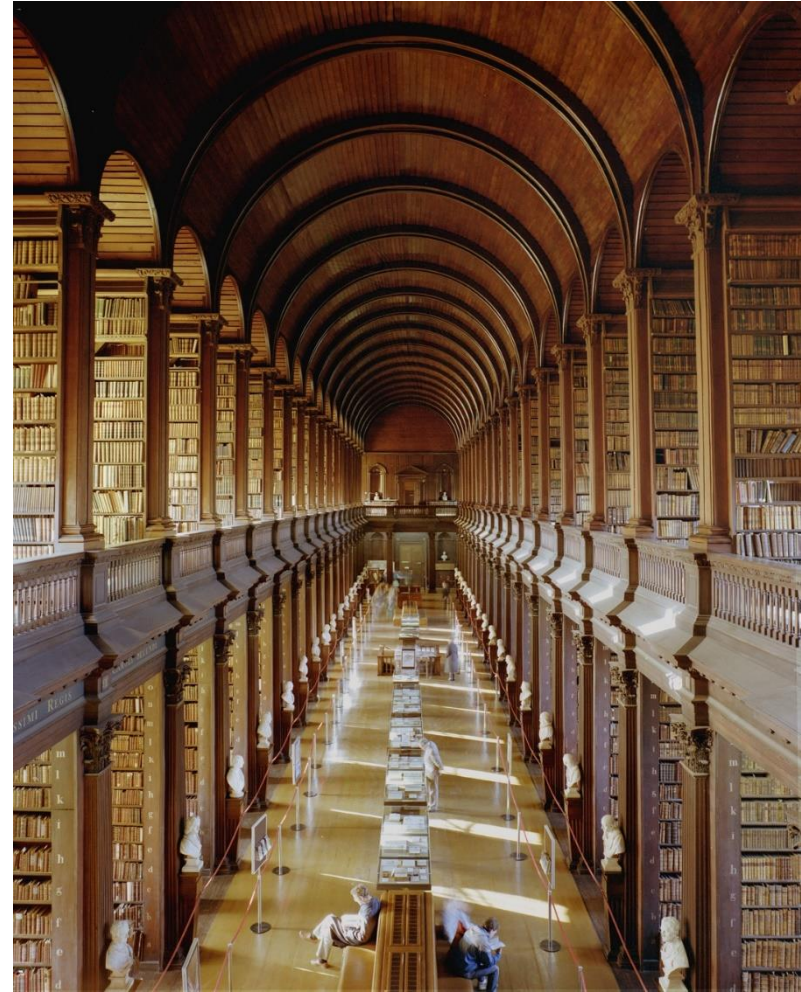
MODULE ENROLMENT

1. Research options in the [Module Directory](#)
2. Attend a Department or School Module Enrolment meeting for each of your areas of study, if they are holding one.
3. Complete Trinity Electives Process if you want to apply for an Elective (separate to Module Enrolment Form!)
4. Fill in your Module Enrolment form
5. The Academic Registry (AR) will assign your modules based on the preferences indicated in your form.
6. If you need to make changes to your enrolment, you have until 9 October to do so.
7. Enrolled!

Note: Check with your Home University regarding credit transfer requirements from their end and make sure to save all module syllabi to your laptop for the credit transfer process.

CHECKLIST

- Complete Student Registration
- Collect Student ID
- Complete Module Enrolment
- Set up your mobile (cell) phone
(international plan or Irish SIM)
- Open Irish bank account
(if needed)
- Get a Student LEAP card
- Sign up for Immigration
Appointment



KEEP IN TOUCH

- Remember to reach out with any qs throughout the semester: hkilgore@tcd.ie
- Have a happy, healthy and safe semester/year abroad at Trinity





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GLOBAL ROOM & INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION

Abi Odekeye and Michelle Hogan

Global Room, Global Relations

Global Room Student Space and Support Hub



Global Room: A (Virtual) Home Away From Away...



Global Room

1. Global Room International Student Support Hub

- To provide **specialist advice and information** to international students to support them during their time at Trinity

2. Event space

- To provide a **social and (virtual) event space** to foster and encourage international engagement and integration between all Trinity students and to celebrate cultural diversity

International Student Experience Team

Global Room

- **Louise Staunton, Global Officer & International Student Experience Manager**
- **Michelle Hogan, International Student Liaison Officer & Global Room Manager**
- **Abigail Odekeye, Executive Officer, Global Room**
- **23 Global Room Student Ambassadors**



Global Room International Student Support Hub

- To provide **specialist advice and information** to international students to support them during their time at Trinity

Typical advice areas:

- Immigration (INIS registration, renewals and Graduate Employment Scheme);
- Accommodation advice;
- Socio-cultural adaptation and wellbeing support;
- Basics advice on settling into life in Dublin and at Trinity
- Signposting to other Trinity services.

Global Room Event Space

- A **social and (virtual) event space** to foster and encourage international engagement and integration between all Trinity students and to celebrate cultural diversity
- **Previous events:** celebrations of national holidays, international cultural events, film and sports screenings, wide range of seminars and talks advertised through the Global Room's social media channels
- Events hosted by Global Room team and Trinity's clubs & societies
- Keep an eye on our Facebook and Instagram pages for info!

NEW 2 DUBLIN

No matter how you got here...



5 - 7pm Every Monday
TCD Global Room

+ ongoing social events throughout the year

www.meetup.com/new2Dublin

www.facebook.com/groups/New2Dublin

‘New 2 Dublin’ virtual programme

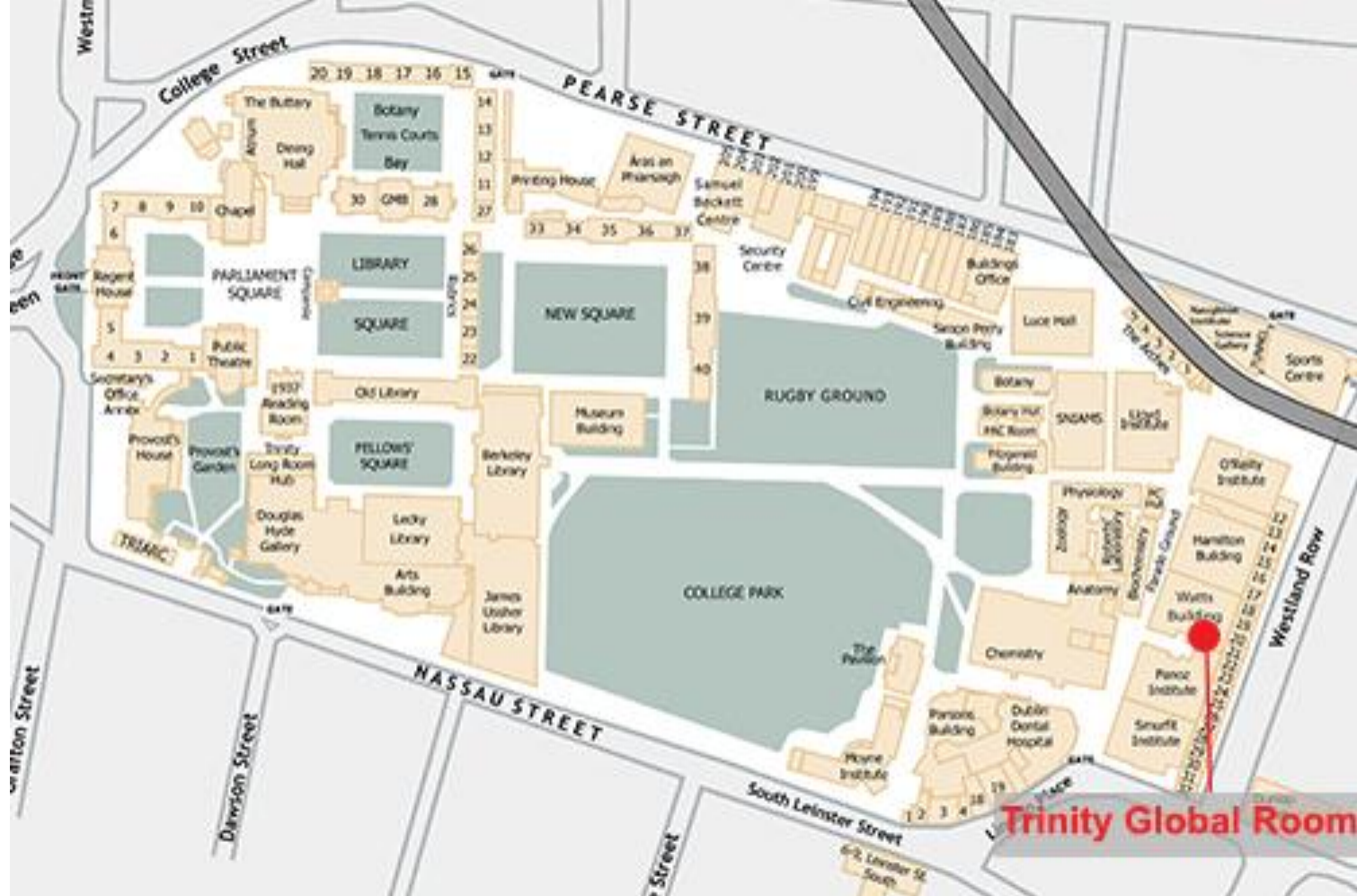
**Monday evenings for 6 weeks
(Dates TBC)**

Helps you adjust to life in Dublin

- Meet new people
- Where to find the cheapest groceries
- Best eats & coffees in the city

Watch our social media for updates

Global Room



Location: 1st Floor, Watts Building (beside Academic Registry)

Email: tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie

**Open Virtually: Monday-Friday, 9.30am-9pm
and by appointment**

KEEP IN TOUCH...



Global Ambassador Blog

Tips and tricks for life at Trinity and life in Dublin!





@TrinityGlobalRoom

Email: tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie

BE SOCIAL



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www.tcd.ie/students/

GLOBAL OFFICER TEAM

- **Grainne Curistan**, School of Nursing & Midwifery
- **Hester Jackman**, School of Computer Science & Statistics
- **Ashley Sullivan**, School of Engineering
- **Eva Page**, FEMS Faculty
- **Erin Paulin**, School of Psychology and School of Social Work and Social Policy

- For more details:
<https://www.tcd.ie/globalrelations/people/>



Visas & Immigration



IMMIGRATION REGISTRATION



If you do not have an EU/EEA passport, you **MUST** register with the Irish Naturalisation & Immigration Service (INIS)



- Online appointment system for registering
- To book an appointment for Burgh Quay:
<https://burghquayregistrationoffice.inis.gov.ie/>
- Appointments are made available at 10am and 2.30pm every weekday – this is when you should check online
- After you have made the appointment, you will receive a confirmation by email. Bring a copy of this email on the day of your appointment
- Arrive 10 minutes early for your INIS appointment - if you are late, you may not be seen
- 1st time appointments will be **in person**

INIS ONLINE APPOINTMENT BOOKING SYSTEM



SEIRBHÍS EADÓIRSEACHTA AGUS INIMIRCE Na hÉIREANN
IRISH NATURALISATION AND IMMIGRATION SERVICE (INIS)
13-14 CÉ BURGH, BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 2 / 13-14 BURGH QUAY, DUBLIN 2

Welcome • Fáilte • Bienvenue • 欢迎 • Bienvenido • أهلا بك

APPOINTMENT BOOKING SYSTEM FOR IMMIGRATION REGISTRATION

E-MAIL: burghquayregoffice@justice.ie

Please note that this site is for appointments at the **Burgh Quay Registration Office** only.

You **MUST** have the following documentation ready in order to make your appointment and you **MUST** be able to **PRINT** your confirmation email:

1. GNIB Card (for renewals only)
2. Passport
3. Your email address

Check early & often to book a registration appointment in Dublin.

You can book an appointment up to 10 weeks early. A small number of extra near-term appointments are also released every day at 14:30. If you can't book one straightaway, keep trying. It may take 2 or 3 days to find one.

[Make Appointment](#)

[View Appointment](#)

[Cancel Appointment](#)

ON THE DAY OF YOUR INIS APPOINTMENT AT BURGH QUAY

What do you need to bring?

- Valid Passport
- Proof of Registration*
- Proof of Fees Paid*
- Bank statements from Irish or foreign bank showing €500 per month (€3000 for 6 months) available OR Proof of financial support (scholarship letter)
- Proof of Health Insurance, policy document is required
- €300 Fee (No cash accepted. Credit card or debit card or a Bank giro)
- *Request from Academic Registry using the AskAR button, in the same letter: Allow 2-5 days. **Must be dated within 7 days of your INIS appointment.**



If you don't get an INIS appointment first time...

Top tips:

- **Timing is Everything!**
 - New Appointments 10am and 2:30pm
 - High traffic on site at these times
 - Give it a few minutes!
- **Even the browser you use matters:**
 - No Google Chrome?
 - Try Edge, Firefox or Safari instead.



“If at first you don’t succeed, try, try again!”

- You may not get your appointment on the first few tries
- Pick one or two (maybe three if you can) times a day to go online to check the INIS site
- Only try at those times for a few minutes, and then leave it
- Give yourself breaks
- Be persistent

**DONT
QUIT**



INIS Covid-19 Updates

<http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/COVID-19-updates-and-announcements>



The banner features a yellow background. On the left is the harp logo of the Department of Justice and Equality. To its right, the text reads: "An Roinn Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais Department of Justice and Equality". In the top right corner, there is a black square with a white coronavirus icon and the text "Coronavirus COVID-19". Below this, two stylized coronavirus icons are shown in red and purple. The main text in the center reads: "Immigration Service Delivery Covid-19 Updates and Announcements".

The Department of Justice and Equality will publish updates relevant to the Immigration Service Delivery Function which address the significant challenges brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic on this page. For the current health advice, including information on self-isolation requirements on arrival in Ireland, please visit the [Irish Health Service COVID-19 Advice Page](#).

Impact of COVID-19 | Frequently Asked Questions

27 April 2020 (FAQ document updated 13 July 2020: The Section affected is Visas)

In this area you will find notices on the various arrangements to address issues brought about by the pandemic (updated 10 July 2020: Notice affected is Resumption of Visa Services).

A Frequently Asked Questions document about the impact of COVID-19 on Immigration and International Protection has also been published. You can [read more here...](#) For the current health advice, including information on self-isolation requirements on arrival in Ireland, visit: [Irish Health Service COVID-19 Advice Page](#).



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Global Room Virtual Immigration Clinics

- **Get your questions answered**
- **Immigration Clinics in the Global Room daily for the next month:**
 - Get answers to your INIS questions
 - Tips on getting appointments
 - Advice you on any immigration difficulties you may be having
- **Keep an eye on Global Room's Social Media pages for dates and times.**



Entry visas for other countries

If you are planning to take a trip outside of Ireland:

- check the visa requirements of the country you are going to
- Ensure you allow sufficient time to apply for your visa
- Bear in mind Green list and non- Green list COVID-19 travel restrictions and restricted movement periods:

<https://www.dfa.ie/travel/>





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BANKING

How to open a bank account

Student Account Opening Requirements

Banking Options:

- KBC Bank Ireland
- Allied Irish Bank (AIB)
- Bank of Ireland (BOI)

Some documents that may be required to open a bank account

1. Proof of address in Ireland: Letter can be obtained from Academic Registry.
2. Proof of ID: Passport.
3. Bank Statement from your home country
4. Other documents depending on each bank and students' nationality.



health

insurance.

Health Insurance

All non-EU students are required to have private medical insurance. This should provide emergency accident cover and should cover any period of hospitalisation.

Where to obtain?

- **Irish Life:** www.irishlifehealth.ie/
(mention that you are a TCD student when booking)
- **VHI Healthcare:** www.vhi.ie
- **Laya Healthcare:** www.layahealthcare.ie
- **Study and Protect:**
www.studyandprotect.com/unilanding.aspx



WHAT TO CONSIDER...

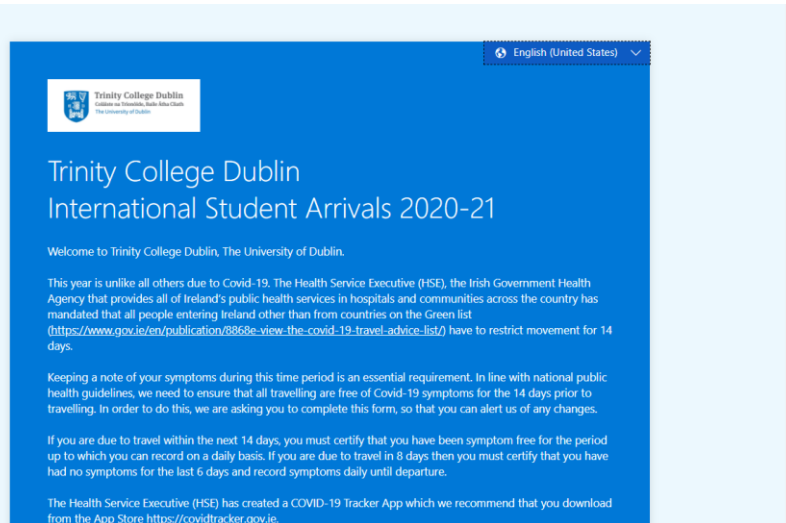
- Your health needs and requirements for the duration of your studies.
- Any pre-existing conditions
- With Irish Life Health Insurance, students can avail of any Policy that is of the most benefit to them – but please specifically state that you are a TCD student.
- The plan known as **Business Plan Hospital** is designed for international students and covers pre-existing conditions and the normal waiting period for cover is waived.
- Mention that you are part of the **Trinity Group Scheme**
- Immigration requirements: <https://www.internationalstudents.ie/info-and-advice/immigration/health-insurance>

Reminder: COVID-19 Mandatory Trackers and Module

4 SIMPLE STEPS that we need you to follow to fulfil the international student requirements (for non-green list countries)

Step 1: Pre-Arrival Certification Form

Certify that you have been free of COVID-19 symptoms for 14 days pre-arrival in Ireland. Keeping a note of your symptoms during this time period is an essential requirement.



- In order to do this, we are asking you to complete a form pre-departure. Click link here.
- If you have already arrived in Ireland, please fill in this declaration form retrospectively and immediately. Click link here.

Step 2: Post-Arrival 14 Days Restricted movement and Symptom Check Form

Upon arriving in Ireland, you must observe a 14-day restricted movement period (if you are from a non-green list country).

This means that you stay indoors in your room/apartment and avoid contact with other people.

- During this time period you must track and submit your symptoms daily by filling in a daily health check form. [Click link here.](#)
- If you did not keep track of your symptoms during your 14 days of restricted movement, you must still comply retrospectively by completing this form: [Click link here.](#)

Step 3 & 4: Mandatory COVID-19 Training Module for International Students and completion form

Step 3: Mandatory COVID-19 Training Module for International Students – watch module

- Within 7 days of arriving in Ireland as an international student, and as required by National Health Guidelines, you must take an online mandatory COVID-19 awareness module.
- COVID-19 Information for International Students training module is accessible here: [Click link here](#)

Step 4: Submit Module completion form.

- Confirm that you have watched the Module. [Click link here](#) to confirm.

See checklist for all links to mandatory forms here:

<https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/assets/pdf/COVID-Student-Supports-checklist-10Sept.pdf>



Thank You. Any questions?

Good luck with your studies and
have a wonderful time at Trinity.