Build Your Foundation

Trinity International Foundation Programme

www.tcd.ie/study/international/foundation-programme
Welcome to the Trinity International Foundation Programme

Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, has been a world-renowned institution since its establishment in 1592. Trinity is ranked 1st in Ireland and 101st in the world (QS World University Rankings 2022). Trinity is also ranked 8th most international university in the world (Times Higher Education Ranking 2021). We pride ourselves on being a global research-led university with a diverse and vibrant university community.

The Trinity International Foundation Programme is a 1-year pre-university programme. Students who successfully complete the International Foundation Programme and reach the required grades gain entry to the first year of undergraduate degrees at Trinity.

The Trinity International Foundation Programme is delivered at the campus of Trinity’s associated college, Marino Institute of Education, where excellent student facilities and on-site accommodation are available. The Marino campus is a 15 minute journey from Trinity and the centre of Dublin city.
Ireland’s leading University

QS World University Rankings 2022 and Times Higher Education World University Ranking 2021

1592
year in which Trinity was founded

1st in Europe for producing Entrepreneurs for the sixth year in a row.

PitchBook Universities Report, 2020

131,000
Trinity alumni (graduates) in over 150 countries worldwide

101
World ranking

QS World University Rankings 2022

170
Sport clubs and Student societies

24%
of the student body are from outside of Ireland, from 118 countries

300+
partner universities around the world for student exchanges
International Foundation Programme Pathways

Applicants to the Trinity International Foundation Programme can choose between two distinct pathways.

Pathway A: Law, Business, Economics and Social Sciences

Choosing Pathway A of the Trinity International Foundation Programme, gives students the opportunity to study at one of our world leading schools in the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Core Modules

- English for Academic Purposes
- Mathematics

Elective Modules

Students will take two of these modules. The choice of elective modules determines which undergraduate courses they progress to:

- Business
- Sociology
- Economics

What can I study after Pathway A?

Students who successfully complete the Pathway A programme and achieve the required grades can progress to study for an undergraduate degree at Trinity, which include the following programmes:

- Ancient History and Archaeology & History
- Ancient History and Archaeology & History of Art and Architecture
- Ancient History and Archaeology & Russian
- Global Business
- Business and Law
- Business and Polish/ Russian
- Business, Economic & Social Studies
- Classical Civilisation & History of Art and Architecture
- Classical Civilisation & Italian
- Classical Languages & History of Art and Architecture
- Classics, Ancient History and Archaeology
- Drama
- English Studies
- English Literature & Classical Civilisation
- English Literature & Classical Languages
- English Literature & History
- English Literature & History of Art and Architecture
- English Literature & Russian
- English Literature & Film Studies
- Film
- Film and History
- History
- History & History of Art and Architecture
- History & Russian
- History of Art and Architecture & Italian
- History: Ancient and Medieval History and Culture
- Law
- Middle Eastern and European Languages and Cultures
- Middle Eastern, Jewish and Islamic Civilisations & Classical Languages
- Middle Eastern, Jewish and Islamic Civilisations & Ancient History and Archaeology
- Middle Eastern, Jewish and Islamic Civilisations & History
- Middle Eastern, Jewish and Islamic Civilisations & Italian
- Music
- Philosophy, Political Science, Economics and Sociology
- Religion
- Social Studies
- Sociology and Social Policy

Students also have the option of studying the following programmes at the Marino Institute of Education:

- Education Studies
- Early Childhood Education

For queries on other programmes, not listed here, contact IFP@tcd.ie

For country specific entry requirements please see: http://www.tcd.ie/study/international/foundation-programme/
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Pathway B: Engineering, Science, Computer Science and Health Sciences

Students who choose Pathway B of the Trinity International Foundation Programme will study in a world-renowned research university. Trinity has major research institutes and centres in areas such as neuroscience, globalisation, immunology and molecular medicine.

Core Modules

- English for Academic Purposes
- Mathematics

Elective Modules

Students will take two of these modules. The choice of elective modules determines which undergraduate courses they progress to:

- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology

What can I study after Pathway B?

Students who successfully complete the Pathway B programme and achieve the required grades can progress to study for an undergraduate degree at Trinity, which include the following programmes:

**Faculty of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics**
- Biological and Biomedical Science Stream
- Biochemistry
- Botany
- Environmental Science
- Genetics
- Human Genetics
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Molecular Medicine
- Neuroscience
- Physiology
- Zoology
- Chemical Science Stream
- Chemistry
- Chemistry with Biosciences
- Medicinal Chemistry
- Computer Science

**Faculty of Health Sciences**
- Computer Science and Business
- Computer Science and Geography
- Computer Science and Linguistics
- Engineering
- Engineering with Management
- Environmental Science and Engineering
- Geography and Geoscience Stream
- Geography
- Geoscience
- Management Science and Information System Studies
- Maths
- Physical Science Stream
- Nanoscience
- Physics
- Physics and Astrophysics
- Theoretical Physics
- Pharmacy
- Human Health and Disease
- Medicine
- Radiation Therapy
- Physiotherapy

**Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences**
- Clinical Speech and Language Studies

**Combined Streams**
- Occupational Therapy*
- Psychology*

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*Pathway B

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Your Pathway to Success in Dublin, Ireland

Ireland is a centre of European innovation and industry with global companies such as Google, Facebook, Microsoft, Intel, Pfizer and HP, where many of Trinity’s graduates are employed.

Ireland offers many opportunities for international students to work; undergraduates can remain in Ireland for one year after they complete their studies to take up work opportunities.

During term-time Trinity students are allowed to work 20 hours per week, and 40 hours per week when the term is finished.

Dublin ranks 37th in the world for Best Student Cities (QS Rankings 2019).

Ireland consistently ranks as one of the safest and friendliest countries in the world. Our air is clean, our hilltops are the world’s greenest and our education system is world-class.

Dublin is an official UNESCO City of Literature, and Ireland has been renowned for its music and culture for centuries.

Bordered by the Irish Sea and the Wicklow Mountains, living in Dublin means easy access to beautiful beaches, cliff walks, and mountain trails.

Ireland acts as a gateway to many other European destinations; visit London, Paris, Rome, and Berlin on your weekends!

I really like that our classes are small, so I have got to know my teachers well. This has helped me to get used to new ways of learning, like how to give presentations, work on group projects and plan my study. I know that I am preparing myself well for the future through my studies here.

Basel Alrajhi
Kuwait
Trinity International Foundation Programme

Since I first arrived in Dublin, I have always felt very welcome and it has been easy to make friends. There are students and teachers on my programme from all around the world which helps you to connect with people from a lot of different cultures.

Ali Tibet Bahar
Turkey
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Students apply to the Trinity International Foundation Programme

Accepted students to the Trinity International Foundation Programme are given a conditional offer to study as an undergraduate at Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, the following academic year.

During the Foundation year students study English language; Mathematics; critical thinking; communication skills; as well as subject-specific modules related to their chosen degree.

Students who successfully complete the Trinity International Foundation Programme, and receive the required final grades, are guaranteed entry into their chosen degree stream the following academic year. Some programmes also require students to pass an interview or audition.

For information on tuition fees, accommodation, study visas, scholarships, start dates, and how to apply to the Trinity International Foundation Programme please contact us at: IFP@tcd.ie

Around the World

In addition to visiting Trinity, you can meet representatives from Trinity in many cities throughout the world. Our Global Relations staff, as well as many of our academics, would be happy to meet you next time they are in your country.
Contact Details
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