



Trinity College Dublin

Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath

The University of Dublin



STUDY **ABROAD**

TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN | THE UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN

# WHY STUDY ABROAD AT TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

## History

Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, is one of Europe's most renowned and historic universities. Founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth I, Trinity is Ireland's top university and is a centre of teaching and research excellence.

## Location

Trinity's stunning, historic campus is located in the heart of Dublin, Ireland's vibrant capital city. Trinity's campus is one of the only places in the world where you'll find a world-class academic campus so completely surrounded by a bustling capital city. Trinity sits in the very centre of Dublin city, with access to all that the city has to offer, yet maintains a truly cohesive campus community. Dublin is also Ireland's largest transport hub: with links to the rest of Ireland, Europe and the world right on our doorstep.

## International

Trinity boasts a multicultural, international environment with 17,000 students from 122 countries and 40% of staff from outside of Ireland. You'll be right at home!

## Student Life

Trinity's extracurricular life is in a league of its own—boasting over 200 societies, sports clubs and publications, including 'the Phil' and 'the Hist': the oldest debating societies in the world. They regularly invite prominent and world-renowned guests and speakers, from US Vice President Joseph Biden, Angela Merkel and Desmond Tutu to Amy Poehler, Martin Scorsese and many more. Involvement in student organisations plays an integral part of a Trinity education. The wealth of offerings allows every Trinity student to construct his or her own unique university experience.

## Research

Trinity is renowned for its outstanding track record of world-leading research, boasting several centres of research excellence in the arts and sciences, in addition to a library collection of over 6 million books and electronic access to over 30,000 journals.

“ [Studying at Trinity] was the best decision I've ever made.”

– Céline Brandstötter,  
Maastricht University

Don't take our word for it, read first-hand accounts of student experiences on our Study Abroad Blog:

<https://tcdglobal.wordpress.com/>



# LEARNING AT TRINITY

Ranked **No. 1 in Ireland** by the 2018 QS World University Rankings, Trinity remains at the cutting edge of research, technology and innovation and offers students **unparalleled academic, professional and social opportunities** for growth and development.

Courses at Trinity are research-led and taught by faculty who are **leaders in their fields**, and offer small group tutorials, seminars and **experiential learning opportunities**.

Trinity's **international reputation for academic excellence** is just one of the many reasons why study abroad students **choose Ireland's leading university again and again**.

## Academic Support

Trinity provides all undergraduate students with a Personal Tutor: a blend of mentor and advisor, who provides personal and academic advice and support throughout a student's time in the University. Tutors assist students with any difficulties they may experience, listen to their concerns and help them to get the most out of their time at Trinity.



# WHAT CAN I LEARN AT TRINITY?

**Modules are available to students in all of the following Departments:**

## **Faculty of Engineering, Mathematics & Science**

Astrophysics  
Biochemistry and Immunology  
Botany  
Chemistry  
Computer Science and Statistics  
Civil, Structural & Environmental Engineering  
Electronic & Electrical Engineering  
Genetics and Microbiology  
Geography  
Geology  
Mathematics  
Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering  
Physics  
Theoretical Physics  
Zoology

## **Faculty of Health Sciences**

Nursing and Midwifery

For more information on course options please visit:  
[www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/)

## **Faculty of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences**

Business  
Classics  
Drama  
Economics  
Education  
English  
European Studies  
Film  
French  
Gender and Women's Studies  
Germanic Studies  
History  
History of Art and Architecture  
Hispanic Studies  
Irish and Celtic Languages  
Italian  
Law  
Linguistic, Speech and Communications Science  
Music  
Near and Middle Eastern Studies  
Psychology  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Sociology  
Social Work and Social Policy  
Religions, Theology and Ecumenics  
Russian and Slavonic Studies

## **Credit Transfer**

Study Abroad students can choose courses offered in all three Trinity faculties and become part of both a distinguished history and a bold and exciting future. All Trinity modules (courses) carry ECTS credits (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System). Students normally take 25 to 30 ECTS per semester, and a total of 60 ECTS per year. Students should check with their home institution's study abroad policy to ensure that credit transfer is as smooth as possible.



# UNIQUELY TRINITY

## **Understanding Ireland: Semester Start-Up Programme**

**Understanding Ireland** offers an introduction to Dublin, Ireland and Trinity's academic life before teaching term begins for semester or year study abroad students. The programme comprises three strands: Irish History; Archaeology, Art and Architecture; and Irish Writers through the Ages. Combining excursions, small group teaching and engaging lectures, **Understanding Ireland** is a wonderful way to get to know Ireland and Trinity before beginning the academic term. The programme is optional and incurs an extra charge to the Study Abroad programme. For Autumn-entry students, the programme runs for three weeks and is worth 5 ECTS. For January-entry students, the course runs for one week and is not credit-bearing. For more information, see [www.tcd.ie/study/draft/international/pre-session-programmes/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/draft/international/pre-session-programmes/)

## **Conflict, Religion, Peace-building in International Affairs: Spring Semester**

Drawing on Ireland's complex political and social history, Trinity offers this unique multi-disciplinary study abroad semester programme in an increasingly relevant field. Combining fieldwork, trips to Northern Ireland and Europe, and Dublin-based coursework, students will develop a critical grasp of the interplay of conflict, peace and religion.

For more information, see: [www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/)

## **Modern Irish Writing: January Term Programme**

Trinity's Department of English offers a study abroad programme called Modern Irish Writing for international undergraduate students during the month of January. The programme introduces students to the best of Irish literary tradition and culture from 1900 to the present day. (Please note, this programme cannot be completed in addition to a Spring term abroad at Trinity because of overlap in dates). For more information, see: [www.tcd.ie/English/international/january-term/](http://www.tcd.ie/English/international/january-term/)

# LIFE AT TRINITY



## Beyond a Great Education

Trinity gathers together a unique, sociable and friendly community of students and faculty in the heart of Dublin city. The truly accessible and dedicated professors encourage students to actively engage in College life and the city beyond the campus gates. At Trinity, involvement in student organisations is not just a hobby; it plays an integral part in our educational ethos and allows students to engage in all of their interests.

## Student Societies

At Trinity, education is not confined to the classroom. Our students passionately engage in creative, entrepreneurial and charitable pursuits within the University and throughout Dublin. Trinity's extracurricular life features over 200 societies, sports clubs and publications, including 'The Phil' and 'the Hist' – the oldest debating societies in the world! For a full list see: [www.trinitysocieties.ie](http://www.trinitysocieties.ie)

## Student Life

Trinity brings together a diverse, curious and supportive community and culture. With 17,000 students from 122 countries, Trinity offers a multicultural and colourful environment and student experience.

[www.tcd.ie/students/clubs-societies/](http://www.tcd.ie/students/clubs-societies/)

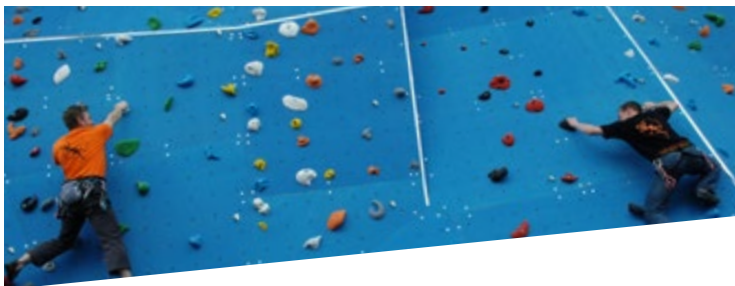
## Sport

Sport plays an important role in the University, promoting health and physical activity as well as intercultural dialogue. With over 60 sports clubs, open to all levels of participation, Trinity students have the opportunity to train in a range of athletic pursuits. For a full list of sports, see: [www.tcd.ie/sport](http://www.tcd.ie/sport).

## Sports Centre

On-campus sports facilities for students include a state-of-the-art Sports Centre, a fitness theatre, a 25m swimming pool, a climbing wall, cycling studios, multiple playing pitches and more.

[www.tcd.ie/Sport/facilities/sports-centre/](http://www.tcd.ie/Sport/facilities/sports-centre/)



### Trinity Global Room

The Trinity Global Room is a unique social and event space for international students at Trinity. The Global Room, acting as a platform to celebrate cultural diversity within Trinity, is a space where students and staff can relax, converse and learn about different customs. It offers over 300 international television channels, access to advice from peers about navigating Dublin and Trinity, and a full calendar of internationally themed events.

[www.tcd.ie/study/international/trinity-life/global-room/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/international/trinity-life/global-room/)

### Trinity Ball

Trinity's packed social calendar culminates in the iconic Trinity Ball, the largest private party in Europe. Held in April, around 8,000 students, staff and alumni gather inside the College grounds for a formal ball featuring a huge array of the latest musical acts. Previous acts include Ellie Goulding, Bastille, Imagine Dragons and Example!

[www.trinityball.ie/](http://www.trinityball.ie/)

### International Activities

With Trinity's range of cultural societies, events celebrating holidays from around the world are a regular feature of campus life. From the Indian festival of Holi to Chinese New Year and Thanksgiving, students can connect with other students, not only from their home countries but also from further afield and explore global traditions.

### Support Services

Trinity offers extensive academic and personal support to all students. Just a few of the many supports include: Peer-to-peer mentoring, Student Counselling Service, College Health Services, Tutor Service, and more. Many academic schools also have Global Officers, who assist with module selection, organise social events and act as points of contact for all international students. Peer mentors also run a 'New 2 Dublin' series, to help those new to the city find their way around, from using public transport, to getting the best deals on groceries.

[www.tcd.ie/study/why-trinity/student-services/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/why-trinity/student-services/)



# LIFE IN IRELAND LIFE IN DUBLIN

**Ireland**, the gateway to Europe is world-famous for its friendly citizens and warm welcomes. For centuries Ireland has been renowned for its rich heritage in music, literature and art. Hike the peaks of Kerry. Surf the waves off Sligo. Dance to a traditional band in Galway. Stroll West Cork's beaches. Gallery-hop around Dublin. Explore centuries-old castles and millennia-old passage tombs.

Trinity's Study Abroad programme offers students the opportunity to experience **Dublin**, one of the greatest cities in Europe. Located in the heart of Dublin, Trinity's 47-acre campus sits at the very centre of everything the city has to offer. For over 425 years Dublin City has grown and developed around the Trinity campus. Blending a high-energy, multinational professional culture with traditional Irish warmth and hospitality, Dublin has sprawling parks, cosy cafés and quirky restaurants for the daytime, with classic pubs, fashionable clubs, music gigs and theatre by night. Dublin is not just a vibrant capital city, it is an international centre of excellence for business, culture and the arts.

*Dublin is...*

**Connected:** Low cost airlines connect Dublin to **hundreds of European destinations** cheaply and quickly. Fly to London or Paris in an hour or Rome in three!

**Cultural:** An official UNESCO City of Literature, Dublin is renowned for its art, music and theatre. Check out **Dublin's Cultural Quarter** or explore the traditional Irish music scene in one of the city's many pubs.

**Entrepreneurial:** Home to the EU headquarters of tech companies such as Google, Facebook and Twitter, Dublin is a **hotbed of global innovation**.

**Friendly:** Dublin was voted in the **world's top 10 friendliest cities** in 2017 by readers of Condé Nast Traveler, the prestigious US travel magazine.

**International:** Dublin was ranked in the **world's top twenty student cities** in 2017 in the 'student mix' category, reflecting its high concentration of students and **high ratio of international students**.

**Historic:** Dublin is more than **a thousand years old** and there is ancient history to discover all over the city. You'll find reminders of Victorian, Georgian, Mediaeval, and even Viking Dublin in streets, buildings, and cultural objects!





# ARRIVING AT TRINITY

## Orientation

Trinity runs a Visiting Student Orientation every term to introduce students to life at Trinity. The orientation schedule includes everything from information about academic course registration to tours of campus, breakout sessions, film nights in the Global Room, sessions on life in Dublin, opportunities to meet your new classmates and much more!

## Airport Meet & Greet

International Students have the option of signing up to be met by a student greeter at Dublin airport and escorted to campus.

## Visas

Students from many countries, including the US and Canada, do not require a visa to enter the Republic of Ireland. All non-EU students must register with the Irish National Immigration Service (INIS) soon after arrival in Ireland. For more information about Visas and INIS registration, please see: [www.tcd.ie/study/](http://www.tcd.ie/study/)


## Accommodation

Study Abroad and visiting students can access limited on-campus housing as well as purpose-built student accommodation in Dublin's city centre.

## Working In Ireland

Non-EU students registered on a degree course for at least one academic year can work up to a maximum of 20 hours per week during term and up to 40 hours per week during University holidays.





“ One of the factors that must contribute to the great thinkers and writers that this university has produced, is the vast amount of independent learning that one has to do. This emphasis on self-teaching and independent research permeates every area of academic life.”

– **Anna McAlpine,**  
**University of St. Andrews**

“ Even though I’m only here for the one term, all of the societies still wanted me to join them and take part in their activities. I didn’t know before getting here if it would be easy or difficult to get involved since I am only here for such a short time, but so far it’s been really easy to feel like a member of the student body.”

– **Madison Tucky,**  
**University of Southern California**

“ I am so grateful to have made so many friends who mean a great deal to me, and to have studied at Trinity. I will also miss Trinity’s knowledgeable lecturers who teach so well, Dublin’s breathtaking architecture, and Ireland’s amazing history and marvelous natural landscapes.”

– **Viviana Lletget,**  
**University of California Berkeley**

“ One of the major benefits of living in a city like Dublin is the abundance of cultural activities and events. Particularly, there is a plethora of diverse and fascinating museums.”

– **Jessica Murphy,**  
**Brown University**

“ Everyone should study abroad for a full year if given the opportunity. If you study abroad for a semester, you’ll just be getting comfortable and familiar when it’s time to pack up and leave.”

– **Miles Morgan,**  
**University of Chicago**

“ Trinity College is known for its literary history, with accomplished writers Anne Enright, Samuel Beckett, Bram Stoker, Jonathan Swift, and Oscar Wilde counted among the university’s alumni. With Dublin named a UNESCO City of Literature, visiting & international students would be remiss to miss out on some of the amazing independent writing and arts happening in the city during your time here. I love heading out to the events recommended to me by LitSoc & my English professors.”

– **Clodagh Schofield,**  
**University of Sydney**

“ If one thing has struck me about Trinity College Dublin, it is how incredibly different the university is from what I imagined it would be. I got some things right: sweeping lawns, beautiful buildings and incredibly interesting professors. However, I definitely did not anticipate this school’s incredible knack for engaging students, for making them feel welcome and at home in a prestigious place that has welcomed so many great minds and could have easily become standoffish and exclusive.”

– **Sydne Tursky,**  
**University of Arkansas**



# NOTABLE ALUMNI

**Samuel Beckett**

*Nobel Prize for Literature, 1969*

**Oscar Wilde**

*Playwright*

**Jonathan Swift**

*Satirist and Poet*

**Mary McAleese**

*Former President of Ireland*

**Professors Luke O'Neill  
and Jonathan Coleman**

*2014 World's Most Influential Scientific Minds*

**Bram Stoker**

*Novelist*

**Mary Robinson**

*Former President of Ireland &  
UN High Commissioner for Human Rights*

**George Berkeley**

*Philosopher*

**Eavan Boland**

*Irish Poet*

**Ernest Walton**

*Nobel Prize for Physics, 1951*

**Edmund Burke**

*Philosopher and Political Theorist*

**D.B. Weiss and David Benioff**

*Emmy award-winning writers of  
HBO's 'Game of Thrones'*

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For first-hand accounts of student experiences, visit our student blog at <https://tcdglobal.wordpress.com/>

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