



Trinity College Dublin

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The University of Dublin

Academic Affairs, TT&L

Academic Affairs News, Autumn 2021

Academic Affairs is one of five divisions in Trinity Teaching and Learning (TT&L) and is responsible for:

- The conduct of all matters in support of academic policy development.
- Regulations and standards in respect of undergraduate and graduate education.
- Provision of guidance to academic staff on the development of new course proposals, national and transnational collaborative programmes and awards.
- The management of academic committees of Council and support to the administration of Council agenda and minutes.
- Supporting the Academic Secretary and Annual Academic Officers (Senior Lecturer and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Dean of Graduate Studies, and the Registrar) on policy development, committee work and strategic initiatives.

New Academic Year 2021/22

I hope you are well and that you had a well-deserved break over the summer months with plenty of rest and relaxation.

It has been a busy few months for the Academic Affairs team with work undertaken on the Academic Affairs Annual Report, reviewing and updating academic policies, and developing a suite of online interactive resources to support the development of new course/micro-credential (HCI Pillar 3 Pilot Project) proposals.

I'd like to invite you to sign-up to our mailing list by completing the online form on the website homepage <https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-affairs/>. By signing up to the Academic Affairs mailing list you will receive updates on our main activities and initiatives, new academic policies and regulations, the publication of reports, and on other relevant developments.

I hope this newsletter provides you with a comprehensive overview of the activities of Academic Affairs. If you have suggestions or feedback on aspects of our work do get in touch by emailing academic.affairs@tcd.ie.

We wish you every success during the academic year and look forward to working with you.

Best wishes,

Linda Darbey, Assistant Academic Secretary (Academic Affairs)

The Team

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Linda Darbey, Assistant Academic Secretary

Sorcha De Brunner, Administrative Officer

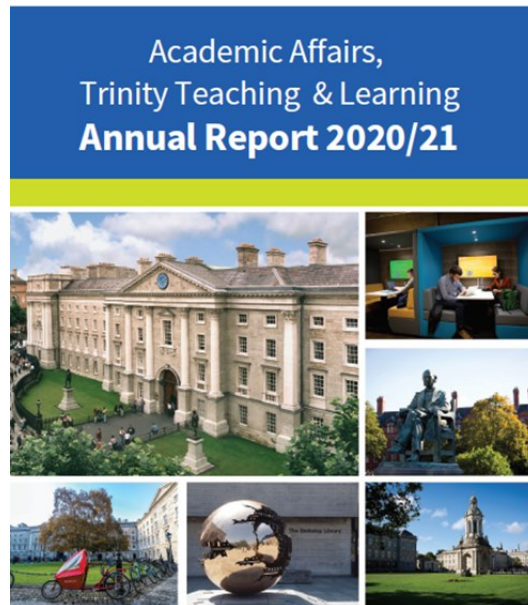
Ewa Sadowska, Administrative Officer

Laoise Quinn, Administrative Officer

A profile, including areas of responsibility, for each member of the team is available from:

<https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-affairs/about-us/>

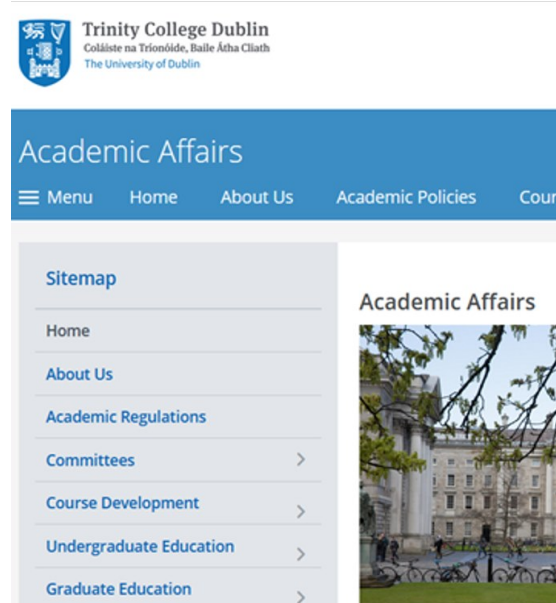
Academic Affairs Annual Report



1 - [Academic Affairs Annual Report 2020/21](#)

- The Annual Report presents the work undertaken by the team to achieve Trinity Strategic Priorities in a given academic year. 2020/21 was an especially busy year for the team in supporting the development of new course proposals and micro-credentials under the Higher Education Authority (HEA) Human Capital Initiative (HCI) Pillar 3, and in supporting 14 Trinity projects awarded funding under the Strategic Alignment of Teaching and Learning Enhancement (SATLE) in Higher Education Fund 2019 and 2020.
- The 2020/21 Annual Report is now available and can be accessed by clicking on the image.

Academic Affairs Website



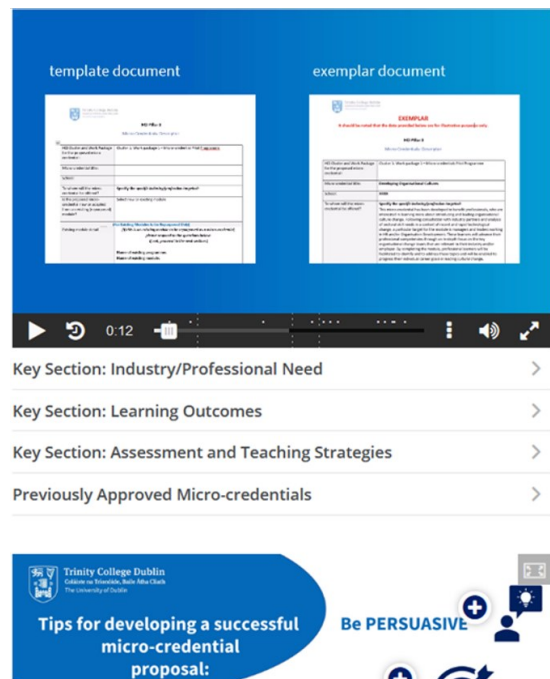
2 - [Academic Affairs Website](#)

We've been working on developing our web-presence over the summer months and the links below provide access to key areas on our website.

- [Academic Committees](#) – committee membership, Terms of Reference, meeting dates, agendas and minutes for the Undergraduate Studies Committee (USC), Graduate Studies Committee (GSC), and the Associated Colleges Degree Committees (ACDC).
- [Course Development](#) – undergraduate and postgraduate course development, including access to Council approved course proposals, and an announcements page. There is also a designated webpage for micro-credentials (new).
- [Undergraduate Education](#) – overview of the features of a Trinity Education and undergraduate regulations.
- [Graduate Education](#) (new) – postgraduate course development, link to the Graduate Studies website.
- [Annual Reports](#) – annual reports such as the Senior Lecturer's Annual Report and the Dean of Graduate Studies' Annual Report.
- [Academic Policies](#) - Council approved Academic Policies are available from the TT&L website.

Online Interactive Resources

Interactive resources were developed by the team over the summer to support the course/micro-credential proposal development process. The resources can be accessed through the links below. More resources will become available over the course of the academic year.



- [Graduate Education](#)
- [Micro-credentials](#)
- [Undergraduate Education](#)

Strategic Initiatives

Trinity received 'Strategic Alignment of Teaching and Learning Enhancement in Higher Education' (SATLE) funding in 2019 and 2020 from the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (National Forum). Seven Trinity projects received funding under SATLE 20: 'Transforming Teaching and Learning for Student Success' and more information on these projects is available from [here](#).

The seven Trinity projects funded under SATLE 19: 'Developing Disciplinary Excellence in Learning, Teaching and Assessment' have now come to conclusion and information on these projects and deliverables is available from [here](#).

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Please do get in touch!

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