A meeting of Undergraduate Studies Committee was held on 8 December 2015 at 2.15pm in the Board Room.

**Present:**
- Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer, Professor Gillian Martin (*Chair*)
- Ms Molly Kenny, Education Officer, Students’ Union
- Academic Secretary, Ms Patricia Callaghan
- Senior Tutor, Professor Claire Laudet
- Professor Jarlath Killeen, School of English
- Professor David Wilkins, School of Mathematics
- Professor Pauline Sloane, School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences
- Professor Elaine Moriarty, School of Social Sciences and Philosophy
- Professor Mike Brady, School of Computer Science and Statistics
- Professor Mary-Lee Rhodes, School of Business
- Professor Astrid Sasse, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Professor Sarah Smyth, Director of TSM
- Professor Ciaran Simms, School of Engineering
- Professor Kevin Conlon, School of Medicine
- Professor Imelda Coyne, School of Nursing and Midwifery
- Professor Michael Bridge, School of Chemistry
- Professor Robbie Gilligan, School of Social Work and Social Policy
- Professor Derek Sullivan, School of Dental Science
- Professor Fáinche Ryan, Confederal School of Religions, Peace Studies and Theology
- Professor Howard Smith, School of Psychology
- Professor James Hanrahan, School of Languages, Literatures and Cultural Studies
- Professor Jane Farrar, School of Genetics and Microbiology
- Professor Mark Hennessy, School of Natural Sciences
- Library Representative, Ms Kathryn Smith

**Apologies:**
- Dr Ciara O’Farrell, Senior Academic Developer
- Dean of Students, Professor Kevin O’Kelly
- Professor Kevin Devine, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Science Education
- Professor Rachel Moss, School of Histories and Humanities
- Professor Charles Patterson, School of Physics
- Professor Christine Poulter, School of Drama, Film and Music
- Professor Derek Nolan, School of Biochemistry and Immunology
- Professor Des Ryan, School of Law
- Professor Keith Johnston, School of Education
- Ms Sinéad Baker, Student Representative
- Ms Cliona Hannon, Director, Trinity Access Programmes

**In attendance:**
- Ms Elaine Egan; Professor Juliette Hussey, Vice President for Global Relations/Director of Internationalisation for items USC/15-16/105 and USC/15-16/106; Dr Sean Delaney, Registrar, Marino Institute of Education, for item USC/15-16/105

The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer thanked members for attending the extra meeting of USC.

**USC/15-16/103 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of 17 November 2015 were approved.
Matters arising

USC/15-16/087i  The BSc. in Physiotherapy (Joint with Singapore Institute of Technology) had been approved at the Council meeting of 18 November 2015.

USC/15-16/087ii  The curriculum and academic content of the B.A. (Mod.) in Middle Eastern and European Languages and Cultures had been approved at the Council meeting of 18 November 2015. Concerns had been raised regarding resourcing and workload and the Dean of Arts and Humanities would bring clarification on these matters to a future meeting of Council.

USC/15-16/089  The Student Complaints Procedure had been amended to incorporate, where appropriate, feedback received from USC, from the College Solicitor, and the Academic Staff Association/IFUT Trinity College. It was noted that the procedure had not yet been circulated to the School Administrators Forum. The procedure would be discussed at a future meeting of Council and, subject to approval there, a website would be set up to include examples and benchmarks of what constitutes a complaint, and a FAQ section. The revised policy has been circulated for noting (Section C).

USC/15-16/096  A consultation had been held with the College Community on 2 December 2015 on the draft graduate attributes. The consultation had provided valuable feedback that would inform the ongoing review of the attributes. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer and Ms Fedelma McNamara, TEP Project Manager, would visit Schools with professionally accredited programmes in the coming weeks to discuss the TEP in the context of the requirements of accrediting bodies and to get further feedback on the attributes.

USC/15-16/097  A working group for RPL had been established. It would be co-chaired by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer and the Dean of Graduate Studies and membership would include Directors of Teaching and Learning, Undergraduate and Postgraduate.

USC/15-16/092  The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer, the COO, the Director of the Academic Registry and Mr Pat Millar had met to discuss the backlog with student cases. An exercise had been carried out to categorise the cases still in the system in order to identify those that were routine cases and those requiring more individualised attention. A member noted that this had interfered with the progress of resolving cases and that this could have serious ramifications for students, staff, and Trinity’s reputation. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer noted that she had highlighted at Council that the system was very individualised and that, if we wished to retain it, it needed to be adequately resourced. It was pointed out that many of the student cases in the system were actually routine business processes, e.g. mark changes, but due to the systems now in place (e.g., SITS), these had to go through the student cases process. A member highlighted that the system should be more easily updatable and fixable when a critical issue such as this was seen to arise.

It was requested that the minutes record a comment from a member whereby a mark change request had been submitted shortly after the publication of results, but the request was not processed and the first communication from the student cases team outlined that as the student had graduated it was not possible to redress the situation.

Members welcomed the measures that had been taken but noted that improvement in the system was not yet apparent and that a backlog and delay in processing of cases was a longstanding issue. It was noted that as the categorisation exercise had coincided with the late registration deadline of 1 December 2015, penalties would not be imposed for late registration.
XX The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer would report to Council in January on progress in dealing with the case backlog.

**USC/15-16/105 International Foundation Programme Proposal**

A revised proposal for a pre-undergraduate International Foundation Programme in association with the Marino Institute of Education (MIE) had been circulated. The proposal incorporated revisions recommended at the meeting of USC on the 13 October 2015.

The Vice-President for Global Relations and the Registrar of MIE attended for this item. The Vice-President for Global Relations reported that meetings with individual Directors of Undergraduate Teaching and Learning and Programme Directors had taken place. She advised that other pathways of entry for candidates had been added to the proposal and also that the proposal had received positive feedback from the external reviewer. The student experience and student progression would be monitored closely for the first number of years. Direct recruitment would focus initially on a small number of countries, with the geographical spread being increased in the coming years.

In response to a query, it was noted that the different thresholds in the required mathematics mark had been decided following consultation with academic units in Trinity and took account of the link between progression through the first year and mathematical ability. The thresholds would be closely monitored in the first few years.

It was noted that the current Service Level Agreement between Trinity student services and MIE would be amended to include this new activity.

In response to a query it was noted that the programme had been jointly developed by Trinity and MIE, but would be delivered and housed in MIE and validated by Trinity. It would be taught by MIE staff who would be accountable to the Registrar of MIE. The students would be provided with a student card for both Trinity and MIE and would have access to facilities and resources in both institutions. Students would be introduced to the global room and social activities on the Trinity campus, however, most of their time would be spent in MIE as they would be taught there and would live in MIE campus accommodation. Members noted that this could present issues for Trinity services as they could be seen to be solely Trinity students - the proposers indicated that they would look into this issue. It was anticipated that student cards to differentiate the registration status of students would be available in the near future. It was noted that the issuing of Trinity cards to the students followed the format of the current Study Group International programme and the TAP foundation programmes.

USC approved the proposal which would be circulated to Council for its meeting of 13 January 2016. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer thanked the Vice-President for Global Relations and the MIE Registrar, Dr Sean Delaney, for speaking to this item.

**USC/15-16/106 Proposal for Module in Contemporary Global Politics, Brown Summer Module**

A Proposal from the School of Social Sciences and Philosophy for a Module in Contemporary Global Politics had been circulated. The Director of Undergraduate Teaching and Learning in the School of Social Sciences and Philosophy and the Vice-President for Global Relations presented the proposal to the meeting.

The proposal was for a module of 9 weeks duration that would commence in June 2016. It would carry a credit volume of 10 ECTS and would have an initial minimum intake of 12 students. It was hoped that this number would increase to 20 in the second and subsequent years. The programme came about as a result of the longstanding relationship between Trinity and Brown University. Brown had
approached Trinity with the idea of providing a summer module for students who would undertake an internship in Dublin. The content of the module would promote the strengths of Trinity as well as providing a solid educational experience for students. Summer programmes were very common in universities worldwide and provided opportunities both to promote research in a university and attract excellent postgraduate students. In the first instance, the module would be delivered solely to Brown students, but the model would be monitored and, if successful, could be rolled out to other schools and involve students from other universities.

Students would have access to Trinity facilities during the nine weeks. In the first three weeks, they would spend two hours daily (Mon-Fri) on campus and thereafter two hours each Friday. The students would be accommodated in Trinity Hall. It was highlighted that the module would be standalone and completely separate from the internships.

A few members raised a concern that there was a high workload involved in the module and that it would be too pressurised for students to also undertake a full-time internship. The proposers noted that Brown had vast experience in summer modules globally and that this was a tested model. It was noted that Trinity staff had no visibility on the workload involved in the internship.

A member with experience of the US university system raised a concern regarding the ‘participation in class’ component of the assessment process. He highlighted that this component was more subjective and suggested that consideration might be given to replacing it with a component that could be measured more objectively.

A brief discussion on the financial rewards of the programme took place. Concern was also expressed about the workload implications for colleagues in the School who will be involved in the delivery of the module.

Members approved the module and requested that a review be undertaken following completion of the programme in the first year. It was noted that this could possibly be carried out by the Quality Office as part of the evaluation process and that the results could be fed into future initiatives.

The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer thanked the Vice President for Global Relations and the Director of Teaching and Learning, School of Social Sciences and Philosophy, for speaking to this item. The module proposal is appended to these minutes.

**USC/15-16/107 Appeals Review**

A document outlining the draft recommendations of the Appeals Working Group was circulated together with a memorandum from the Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer, dated 3 December 2015.

In the 2014/15 academic year, 47 cases were heard by the Academic Appeals Committee; of these, 29 had not been heard by the Court of First Appeal. A discussion on this issue had taken place at the meeting of USC on 13 October 2015 and it had been decided to establish a working group to investigate the issues and propose solutions.

The terms of reference of the group were to review how the appeals procedures and systems underlying their processing could be managed more effectively, including consideration of how the number of cases reaching the Courts of First Appeal might be reduced at the supplemental session, and to propose to USC and Council interim measures to relieve the current blockages. The principles underlying the group’s work were to ensure that the integrity of the appeals process was not compromised; that equity and consistency of treatment would be maintained; and that proposals should be consistent with existing Calendar regulations as far as possible. The group had met six times during Michaelmas term 2015 and consultation had taken place
with the Dean of Graduate Studies on issues of relevance to postgraduate students.

The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer highlighted that the recommendations provided interim measures to address the situation as it was likely that a more in-depth review of the general regulations would take place as part of the Trinity Education Project.

The Committee considered the seven draft recommendations that had been circulated. A number of the recommendations related to providing clarification, information and guidelines on the following areas:
- the meaning of *ad misericordiam*;
- acceptable and unacceptable grounds for taking an *ad misericordiam* appeal;
- what is understood by ‘exceptional circumstances’;
- the evidence required to support an appeal on *ad misericordiam* grounds;
- the role and jurisdiction of Courts of First Appeal and Academic Appeals;
- the granting of special examinations.

These guidelines had been prepared to address the absence of available information on what might or might not be considered as acceptable grounds for an *ad misericordiam* appeal, on what was understood by ‘exceptional circumstances’, and on the types of documentary evidence required in support of an *ad misericordiam* appeal.

The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer advised that the timeline relating to Courts of Examiners, publication of results, sittings of Courts of First Appeals and Academic appeals was being reviewed to see if any streamlining might be possible. Supplemental examinations take place in weeks 53 and 54, although the School of Medicine had permission from Council to hold certain examinations in Week 52. The possibility of extending this to other Schools, where this was felt to be workable, could be explored. A member noted that holding examinations in this week would be problematic for course offices as it would reduce the time between annual and supplemental examination sessions.

It was noted in the discussion that there was currently very little flexibility in the timeline and as such it was felt that streamlining other processes and improving information as outlined above would be more effective in addressing issues in the short-term.

Most of the discussion centred around recommendation 7(i) which proposed that authority be delegated by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer to the Courts of Examiners to permit, on academic grounds and within defined parameters, students to repeat Off Books with Assessment (OBA). The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer noted that defining parameters was important in order to ensure consistency in decision making. Members’ comments on this recommendation included:
- As tutors attend the Courts of Examiners, it would not be possible to focus solely on academic grounds and ignore the *ad misericordiam* grounds that would be presented;
- Delegating this authority would not be possible in some Courts as they do not ‘drill down’ to the module level;
- Given the duration and workload of a Court of Examiners, it would not be feasible to follow the parameters;
- To grant OBA to a student without the student requesting it, and without allowing the student time to reflect, could encourage students to take this option when it may not be in their best interest. In response to this concern, it was noted by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer that should OBA be granted, it would be accompanied by a clear note to ‘See Tutor’ and students could opt to repeat On Books. The Education Officer of the Students’ Union requested that her dissent to this recommendation be recorded in the minutes.
The option of delegating the authority to record OBA to course offices was discussed, but timing difficulties and issues of consistency were noted and no consensus was reached.

A further recommendation related to reducing the number of appeals being brought in order to have an exclusion lifted. Currently, a mark of ‘0’, if awarded for a piece of non-submitted coursework or absence at an examination automatically defaults to ‘AB’ (representing an unexplained absence). This, in turn, returns an overall result of Fail - Exclude and, in order for the exclusion to be lifted, the student must appeal to the Court of First Appeal or the Senior Lecturer. The working group was exploring the use of alternatives to ‘AB’ at the annual and supplemental sessions which could be used where Courts of Examiners were aware that medical certification had been submitted. This would prevent automatic exclusion and the multiple processing steps involved in lifting the exclusion.

It was noted that where a case had not been heard by the Courts of First Appeal prior to being heard by the Academic Appeals Committee, the Chair of the Courts of First Appeal should attend the presentation of the case. The short turnaround time between the Courts of First Appeal and Academic Appeals was highlighted and it was noted that when a case was not heard by the Court of First Appeal, this could lead to difficulties in arranging appropriate representation at Academic Appeals.

Concerns were raised about decisions that were taken by Academic Appeals that overturned decisions of the Courts of First Appeal. It was queried whether it was necessary for an appellant to bring additional or fresh evidence to Academic Appeals and whether it was necessary to have two avenues/layers of appeal. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer noted that the regulations did not state that additional evidence was required and reiterated that the focus was on interim solutions.

The suggestion that the Appeals form be online and embedded in SITS was discussed. This will be added as a recommendation, but it would be unlikely that a report could be generated in time for the current academic year.

Some minor points of clarification to the Appendices were agreed and would be incorporated in the document.

The recommendation proposing that authority be delegated to Courts of Examiners to permit students to repeat OBA was not supported; the other recommendations were approved. The recommendations would be brought to the Council meeting of 13 January 2016.

**USC/15-16/108** Irish Survey of Student Engagement (ISSE) - Faculty Report 2014/15
Due to time constraints, discussion on this item was deferred to a future meeting.

**USC/15-16/109** Any other business
There was no other business.

**USC/15-16/110** Items for noting
USC noted the following documents which had been circulated for information:

1. Student Complaints Procedure, dated November 2015

2. Memorandum regarding proposed name change of moderatorship in Functional Biology, TR071, School of Natural Sciences, dated 14 October 2015
PROPOSAL FOR MODULE IN CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL POLITICS

1. Summary Information:

1.1. Title of Module: Contemporary Global Politics

1.2. Award: N/A (9 week summer programme)

1.3. Credit volume: 10 ECTS

1.4. Proposing school: School of Social Sciences and Philosophy

1.5. Accrediting body: Trinity College Dublin

1.6. Duration and mode of delivery: 9 weeks

1.7. Date on which module will commence: 6 June 2016

1.8. Proposed student numbers: Minimum 12 students

1.9. Date of approval of module proposal by School Executive Committee: 30 November 2015

1.10. Date of approval of module proposal and financial analysis by Faculty Dean: 2 December 2015 and at Planning Group, September 2015

1.11. Date of module proposal version being submitted to the Undergraduate Studies Committee: 08 December 2015
2. Module Information

2.1 Introduction and rationale and aims:

Brown University approached the Office of Global Relations, Trinity College in February 2015 around delivering the academic component of an internship programme that Brown is developing in Dublin. The School of Social Sciences and Philosophy was asked to develop this module by the Office of Global Relations. The module is intended to complement the internship experience, noting that the internships will be sourced by a partner organisation of Brown, independently of Trinity.

The Contemporary Global Politics module will be offered to students of Brown University and Brown’s US partners, many of whom are existing partners of Trinity. The universities in this grouping are among the best in the United States and this programme represents an excellent opportunity to increase Trinity’s standing and make new offerings available to these universities.

The School of Social Sciences and Philosophy comprises the Departments of Economics, Philosophy, Political Science and Sociology, together with the Policy Institute. The School is at the forefront of research and teaching in Ireland across these disciplines and all four departments are rated highly in international research evaluations.

There is huge demand from high calibre students for the School’s undergraduate and postgraduate courses. The School works with a high volume of international students each year and it is an area of high demand for full degree non-EU students, postgraduate students and visiting students through the Erasmus and non-EU visiting groups. The addition of a short term programme option will complement existing activity, allowing the School and Trinity to reach new student populations and increase its international profile.

2.2 Compatibility with School strategic plan

The commitment to research-led teaching, building valuable partnerships and fostering of students’ critical skills align with the School’s strategic plan.
2.3 Alignment with College strategic plan

This programme meets the aims of College’s strategic plan in several ways, among them: building partnerships, internationalisation and global citizenship.

The module supports College’s Global Relations Strategy and its objective in developing self-financing short-term programmes as key recruitment pipelines for full-degree courses and to contribute to increasing College’s international profile.

2.4 Module structure and content

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MODULE 1:
Module Title: Contemporary Global Politics
Lecturers: Professors Constantine Boussalis, Thomas Chadeaux, William Phelan
Total Hours: 240 hours
ECTS: 10

Rationale, Aims & Module Content:
This nine-week, standalone module has been developed for undergraduate students from their second to fourth year and is designed to provide students with a grounding in contemporary international politics. As international students undertaking internships in Ireland, one of the primary interests of this cohort will be in participating in an intercultural experience. This module contextualises the international experience these students are undertaking by exploring current issues facing global politics at present.

The module aims to build an understanding of the major theoretical approaches and empirical findings in the field of global politics. General topics include international conflict, international political economy, international institutions, global environmental politics, and human rights. Further, the analytic approaches covered in the first half of the module are applied to various salient contemporary political topics in Ireland, Europe, and the Middle East.

Each session will include a mix of lecture and seminar discussion. Some sessions will include in-class simulations. The Class will meet for two hours per day for the first three weeks and will then meet each Friday for the following six weeks for one two-hour seminar session. Each of the first three weeks is taught by one faculty member per week within their subject-area specialist area.

Teaching will take place primarily in classrooms in Trinity, but the module will also include study trips to relevant exhibitions and historic locations in Dublin city organized by the Global Relations Office.
Readings will be assigned prior to each session. Assessment will take the form of two written assignments of approximately 1,500 words on a set topic, in-class assessment through a short, written assessment and active participation in class.

Module Outline:
- Week 1 Introduction & Topics in International Politics
- Week 2 Topics in International Security
- Week 3 Topics in International Law
- Week 4 Irish General Election 2016
- Week 5 Thinking about the Euro Crisis
- Week 6 Ireland’s Economy and Society
- Week 7 The Ukraine Crisis and European Security
- Week 8 The ISIS Threat and Middle Eastern Security
- Week 9 The Migration Crisis

Learning outcomes:
On successful completion of this module students should be able to:
- Critically assess the strengths and weaknesses of various theoretical approaches used to explain variation in global political outcomes.
- Explain the domestic and international political forces that determine the international political economy, effectiveness of development policy, and global environmental cooperation.
- Identify the key determinants of inter- and intra-national conflict as well as international terrorism.
- Critically evaluate the structure and impact of different types of international regimes and their effectiveness in constraining state behaviour.
- Assess a range of salient current political issues, including the 2016 Irish General Election, security crises in Ukraine and Middle East, as well as the ongoing European economic and migrant crises.

Mode of delivery and methods of teaching and student learning:
The module will be taught through lectures which include seminar-type discussions. Academic field trips organised by the Global Relations Office to complement the classroom experience are also included.

**Indicative reading list:**
This class does not have a textbook. Readings consist of peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, and articles from journals intended for wider audiences. All readings are available through Trinity College Library or on Blackboard. All readings for each lecture are included in the full syllabus (see Appendix 1).

**Assessment:**

In order to pass, a student must achieve 40+ in all elements of the module assessment worth in total 10 credits as set out below. Should a student fail, alternative assessment will be arranged.

This module will be assessed by:

**Written Assignments (40%)**
Students are expected to complete two written assignments of approximately 1,500 words on a topic from a list which will be distributed in class. One of these assignments will be a group project which critically analyses an assigned journal article.

**In Class Assessment (40%)**
A short written assessment will be held at the end of the module. Questions will be based on the assigned readings and in-class discussion. Students will have 90 minutes to complete the in class assessment.

**Participation (20%)**
Each student is expected to come prepared to class and to actively participate in class discussions. This may include leading a discussion or responding to assigned readings.
2.5 **Staffing requirements and arrangements (in-school, service teaching, casual lecturers):**

Staff and adjunct staff in the School of Social Sciences and Philosophy will cover all lecture hours, as costed in Appendix 3.

2.6 **How does the module exploit and/or develop research distinction in the providing school(s) as a basis for research-based teaching and learning?**

The core ethos of the module is focused on the development of critical understanding and analysis of contemporary topics in international politics. Staff delivering the module are research active in the relevant topics as evidenced by the reading list in Appendix 1.

3. **Recruitment/Admission**

3.1 **Proposed annual intake:** Minimum 12 students, Maximum 25 students.

3.2 **Course requirements:** Students must be enrolled in a Bachelor’s degree programme at College/University level. A minimum GPA of 3.0, or equivalent will be required. Students whose first language is not English must meet the College’s English language admission requirements.

3.3 **Details of similar courses/modules offered at other institutions in Ireland:** All of the Irish universities except Trinity and DCU run credit-bearing summer programmes. UCD runs a summer internship programme, details of which can be found here [http://www.ucd.ie/international/study-at-ucd-us/what-can-i-study/summer-programmes/summer-internship-programmes/](http://www.ucd.ie/international/study-at-ucd-us/what-can-i-study/summer-programmes/summer-internship-programmes/). See Appendix 3c.

3.4 **Evidence of demand for the course:** This course is being introduced as a direct response to demand. Short-term programmes are an increasingly popular mode of overseas study, particularly for North American university students. Summer programmes are the highest growth area in study abroad from the United States, with increasing interest from other parts of the world.
The recently-released Open Doors data compiled by the US agency IIE showed that students studying abroad for short-term periods (e.g. summer, J-term) now accounts for the highest proportion of US students studying abroad.

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There is a continuing trend towards short-term study in the United States and among Asian partners. As such, the Global Relations Office is keen to offer programmes to meet this demand, both as Winter/J-Term programmes and summer programmes.

Internship programmes are an area of huge demand, with internships abroad one of the most popular ways to spend time overseas among US students. The Global Relations office is keen to develop options that meet that kind of demand. The attached report in Appendix 2 (‘Open Doors 2015 Fast Facts’) demonstrates full data.

3.5 Expected student profile: Undergraduate students from the United States, initially from Brown University and partners of similar standing in the US, having completed at least one year of university level education. The students will be completing an internship in a variety of fields, with NGOs, Politics and Journalism expected to be high among these.

4. Administration

4.1 In addition to delivering the academic component and awarding Trinity credit, Trinity will also organise student housing, academic field trips and administer the programme. This will be coordinated by the Global Relations office.
Administration: the Global Relations office will coordinate all administration of the programme. Classes will be taught in the Trinity Research in Social Sciences (TRISS) Seminar Room, Arts Building, Trinity College.

Discussions have progressed with the Academic Registry around providing services such as Admissions, Fees and Student Records and will be finalised in January. It is envisaged that students will apply on paper-based forms, register online prior to arrival, and collect their Trinity student card on the first day of the module. Students will have access to a Trinity email account for communication purposes and Blackboard for teaching and learning purposes. Students will receive a Trinity transcript on completion of the module.

4.2 Student Services

Currently, access to student services (health, counselling and disability services) has been built in to the programme financial model, on a cost-per-student basis, bundled in to the overall price. An alternative and equally practical option may be for students to access services on a pay as you go basis. In the event this is the approach decided, the programme cost will be altered, removing the €550 automatic return to College. These options are being finalised and will be agreed upon with the relevant services.

Discussions are progressing with each service.

Additional supports are provided as part of the internship programme, organised separately from Trinity, including 24 hour on call service for student emergencies and access to crisis counselling.

Given that readings are confined to one subject and that students will spend much of their time off campus at their internships, reader access to the Library will be sufficient. Access to the Sports Centre will be on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Workshops will take place in the New Year to discuss Trinity’s overall approach to student services in the context of short-term programmes.
4.3 **Timetabling:**

Proposed dates are arrival on June 5th and departure on August 6th 2015. Students will receive orientation at Trinity and the first three weeks will consist of daily lectures, along with time for internship preparation. For the final six weeks, students will attend a two-hour seminar every Friday.

4.4 **Student feedback** on all elements of the programme will be coordinated by Global Relations Office

5. **Costs**

Please see Appendix 3 attached.

The programme budget was approved by Planning Group in September 2015.
Appendix 1

Course Schedule

Week 1. Introduction & Topics in International Politics (Boussalis)

Day 1: Introduction to International Relations Theory


Day 2: Politics of International Trade


Day 3: International Finance


**Day 4: International Development**


Easterly, William. (2006). *The white man’s burden: why the West’s efforts to aid the rest have done so much ill and so little good.* Penguin. Ch. 5


**Day 5: Global Environmental Politics**


Week 2. Topics in International Security (Chadefaux)

Day 1: The End of War?


Walter R Mead. The Return of Geopolitics. Foreign Affairs. 17 Apr. 2014. 7 pages

John G Ikenberry. The Illusion of Geopolitics. Foreign Affairs. 17 Apr. 2014. 7 pages

Day 2. The Evolution of War


Day 3. Bargaining and Conflict


Day 4. Terrorism


**Day 5. Civil Wars**


**Week 3. Topics in International Law (Phelan)**

**Day 1. World Trade Organization**


**Day 2. Law in War and Armed Conflict**


[http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/world_politics/v058/58.3valentino.pdf](http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/world_politics/v058/58.3valentino.pdf)
Day 3. International Human Rights Law


Day 4. The International Criminal Court

David Bosco ‘Rough Justice’, selections.


Day 5. The European Court of Justice


W Phelan, In Place of Inter-State Retaliation: The European Union’s Rejection of WTO-style Trade Sanctions and Trade Remedies (Oxford University Press, Oxford 2015), selection
Week 4.  Irish General Election 2016
Irish Times/RTE Special Reports

Week 5.  Thinking about the Euro Crisis

Philip R Lane (2012): The European Sovereign Debt Crisis, the Journal of Economic Perspectives, 26(3), 49-67.

Week 6  Ireland’s Economy and Society

Alison Johnston & Aidan Regan (2014): European Integration and the Incompatibility of Different Varieties of Capitalism. MPIfG discussion paper
Week 7  The Ukraine Crisis and European Security

Week 8  The ISIS Threat and Middle Eastern Security
Lisa Anderson, “Demystifying the Arab Spring: Parsing the Differences Between Tunisia, Egypt, and Libya,” Foreign Affairs, May/June 2011

Week 9  The Migration Crisis
NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENROLLMENT

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<td>250,920 (at a U.S. institution in fall 2014—increased by 8.8%)</td>
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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT TRENDS

In 2014/15, the number of international students in the U.S. increased by 10.0% to a record high of 974,926 students.

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In addition to the 304,467 U.S. students who received academic credit for study abroad in 2013/14, 22,181 U.S. students participated in non-credit work, internships, and volunteering abroad.

TOTAL INT’L STUDENTS 886,052 974,926 100.0

U.S. STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD
304,467 U.S. students studied abroad for academic credit in 2013/14, an increase of 5.2% over the previous year. U.S. student participation in study abroad has more than tripled over the past two decades.

2013/14 2014/15 % of total change
TOTAL U.S. STUDENTS ABROAD 191,231 260,327 304,467 20.9 30.4 5.5

White 83.7 80.5 74.3 -9.8
Hispanic or Latino(a) 5.0 6.0 8.3 3.3
Asian or Pacific Islander 6.1 7.3 7.7 1.4
Black or African-American 3.4 4.2 5.6 1.2
Multiracial 1.3 1.6 3.6 2.0
American Indian or Alaska Native 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.0

TOTAL U.S. STUDENTS ABROAD 191,231 260,327 304,467

PRIMARY SOURCE OF FUNDING 2013/14 2014/15 % of total change
Personal and Family 574,129 619,999 63.6 7.6
U.S. College or University 171,218 201,337 20.9 15.0
Foreign Government or University 86,147 75,042 7.7 -14.7
Current Employment 49,503 48,632 5.0 -1.8
Foreign Private Sponsor 9,574 9,735 1.0 1.7
U.S. Government 4,186 4,915 0.5 18.1
U.S. Private Sponsor 4,548 4,124 0.4 -8.7
International Organization 1,696 2,489 0.3 46.6
Other Source 5,051 6,653 0.7 32.4

SELECTED FIELDS OF STUDY 2013/14 2014/15 % of total change
Business and Management 188,179 197,258 20.2 4.8
Engineering 170,189 196,750 20.2 15.6
Math and Computer Science 91,434 112,950 11.6 23.5
Social Sciences 72,390 75,851 7.8 4.9
Physical and Life Sciences 70,479 73,838 7.6 4.8
Fine and Applied Arts 51,185 56,758 5.8 10.9
Intensive English 43,456 49,233 5.0 13.3
Health Professions 31,954 33,399 3.4 4.5
Communications and Journalism 18,678 20,161 2.1 7.9
Education 17,879 17,675 1.8 -1.1
Humanities 17,930 17,504 1.8 -2.4
Legal Studies and Law Enforcement 12,702 13,778 1.7 8.3
Agriculture 10,855 12,278 1.3 15.4

DESTINATIONS 2012/13 2013/14 % of Total % change
1 United Kingdom 38,210 38,250 12.6 6.8
2 Italy 30,686 31,166 10.2 1.5
3 Spain 28,130 26,949 8.9 2.5
4 France 17,210 17,597 5.8 2.2
5 China 14,413 13,763 4.5 -4.5
6 Germany 9,544 10,377 3.4 8.7
7 Ireland 8,084 8,823 2.9 9.1
8 Austria 5,978 8,578 2.7 4.3
9 Australia 3,820 8,369 2.7 110.1
10 Japan 4,741 5,978 2.0 25.9
11 South Africa 5,337 4,968 1.6 -6.9
12 India 4,377 4,583 1.5 4.7
13 Mexico 3,730 4,445 1.5 19.2
14 Argentina 4,549 4,301 1.4 -5.5
15 Brazil 4,223 4,226 1.4 0.1
16 Ecuador 3,438 3,699 1.2 7.6
17 Czech Republic 3,552 3,572 1.2 0.6
18 Denmark 3,302 3,545 1.2 7.4
19 Peru 2,956 3,396 1.1 14.9
20 Chile 2,879 3,333 1.1 15.8
21 South Korea 3,042 3,219 1.1 5.8
22 Greece 2,394 3,066 1.0 28.1
23 New Zealand 2,783 3,021 1.0 8.2
24 Israel 2,798 2,876 0.9 2.8
25 Austria 2,673 2,744 0.9 2.7

WORLD TOTAL 289,408 304,467 100.0 5.2

OTHER FORMS OF EDUCATION ABROAD
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## Appendix 3
### Income & Expenditure

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<td><strong>Net Income</strong></td>
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1. Course Fee estimate from Global Relations based on costs and comparison with other universities and excludes any accommodation charges
2. Suggested allocation to be confirmed by Planning Group
### Pay & Non Pay Costs

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### Table 1: Direct Costs of Summer Programme

#### Tuition Costs (Table 2)

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Contingency of 10% per student*: 72, 2,747, 2,965, 3,182

**Total Costs**: 762, 30,219, 32,610, 35,002

*Presumed contingency will cover classroom cleaning and any other teaching related costs.

### Table 2: Tuition Fee Costs

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*Assumes mid-range rate of pay in scale €51.83 - €72.97
### Summer Programme

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