

# Erasmus and Study Abroad Exchange

Single Honours with New Minor Subject for 2025/26 Exchanges

Single Honours Students with a New Minor Subject who wish to go on Erasmus/Study Abroad should normally:

- Be in their third year of study
- Have passed their first and second year with a minimum of a II.2<sup>1</sup>
- Will commit to pursuing a Major with Minor award during the pathway selection period, prior to finalising and submitting their Study Abroad learning agreement. Exact dates for pathway selection will be confirmed by our colleagues in Academic Registry and the UCAO will be in touch about these processes and timelines.
- Ensure they are aware of any pre-requisites for modules in their final year, including Capstones, and make informed choices on whether to proceed with exchanges.
- Have their learning agreement approved by the relevant study abroad coordinators for their subjects and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (UCAO) (tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie).
- Seek the approval of the relevant study abroad coordinator(s) for their subject(s) and the UCAO if any changes need to be made to the learning agreement after approval, the student must ensure the changes comply with their degree pathway.
- Study both subjects on exchange according to their pathway in structures outlined below.<sup>2</sup>

### • Full-year Exchanges:

- o Should undertake 60 credits (ECTS) for a full year abroad.
- Will be assessed on the best returned marks for 45 ECTS (or the equivalent) completed while on a full year exchange<sup>3</sup>.

#### Half-year (One Semester) Exchanges:

- o Should undertake up to 30 credits (ECTS) for a one semester exchange.
- Must complete 30 ECTS according to their pathway in the opposite semester at Trinity.
- Will be assessed on the best returned marks for 20 ECTS while on a onesemester exchange abroad<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Students should be aware that their individual subjects and/or host universities may have their own additional eligibility criteria for assigning placements to certain host universities. Students are advised to research this with their subject department(s) and/or Trinity Global and are responsible for maintaining their eligibility.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Exceptions: On an exceptional basis where there is no viable possibility to pursue exchanges studying both subjects, individual students may seek agreement from both of their departments and the UCAO to study all required credits for one subject in one semester on exchange and take their required credits for their other subject in Trinity in the other semester. Not all subjects will be able to facilitate this option and students should first discuss this with departmental study abroad coordinators.

<sup>3</sup> Modules taken on a pass/fail basis will not be counted towards assessment or pathway ECTS requirements.

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## Pathway - Major with Minor- Full Year Exchange

Students who wish to graduate with a Major with Minor award on a full-year exchange:

- Should normally apply for through the department of their Major subject<sup>4</sup>.
- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the
  equivalent of up to 40 ECTS in their Major subject and the equivalent of up to 20 ECTS
  in their Minor subject.
- Will need to choose the Major with Minor degree award pathway that continues the study of both subjects into Year 4.
- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by their Major subject, Minor subject, and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (tjh.erasmusstudyabroad@tcd.ie)
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 35 ECTS (or the equivalent) in the Major subject and a minimum of 10 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Minor subject.

### Pathway - Major with Minor—Half Year Exchange

Students who wish to graduate with a Major with Minor award and go on a half-year exchange:

- Should normally apply for through the department of their Major subject<sup>4</sup>.
- Will need to ensure that their location of exchange will allow them to take the
  equivalent of 20 ECTS in their Major subject and the equivalent of 10 ECTS in their
  Minor subject.
- Will need to choose the Major with Minor degree award pathway that continues the study of both subjects into Year 4.
- Will need to have their learning agreement approved by their Major subject, Minor subject and the Undergraduate Common Architecture Office (<u>tjh.erasmus-</u> <u>studyabroad@tcd.ie</u>).
- Will, for the purposes of assessment, pass a minimum of 15 ECTS (or the equivalent) in the Major subject and a minimum of 5 ECTS (or the equivalent) in their Minor subject.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> If there is no possibility of exchange through the Major department, a student may pursue an exchange through the Minor department provided both the Major department and the UCAO approve this arrangement and provided the partner institution offers sufficient credits in both subjects.