

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Information for Students applying for Exchange

A. University	Trinity College Dublin https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php
B. Country	Ireland
C. Academics	
i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	<p>Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home Faculty before the exchange. You can check with the SEP Coordinator in the Dean's Office of your home Faculty.</p> <p>Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your Faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan.</p>
ii) Academic Calendar	<p>Semester 1: End August to Mid-December Semester 2: Mid-January to Beginning May</p> <p>https://www.tcd.ie/calendar/academic-year-structure/</p>
iii) Exchange Duration	Semester based exchange is possible.
iv) Examination	There are no examinations in semester 1 (subject to change). Students on exchange in semester 1 will be examined by means of assignment, essay, labs, etc. depending on host department. Full year and semester 2 students are examined only at the end of the academic year from April to May.
v) Curriculum Structure	Students typically take 30 ECTS per semester at Trinity. Students must take a minimum of 20 ECTS in a semester and 45 ECTS for the academic year.
vi) Entry Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) be registered as a full-time undergraduate student of NUS (b) have successfully completed at least two (2) semesters of study at NUS upon admission to the host university; (c) not be eligible for exchange in the graduating year (d) be a student of good standing at NUS with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. a minimum upper division second class honours or; b. a minimum B average grade or ; • c. CAP of at least 3.875 (out of 5) for NUS students (Please note <i>that very some schools/departments may have additional GPA requirements. E.g. Economics and Philosophy require a 3.5 GPA and Political Science specify a 3.3 (out of 4).</i>

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<p>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</p>	<p>NUS students should display a suitable level of competence in English. English is the language of instruction at TCD and NUS. Exchange students applying for undergraduate modules should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term. More information can be found here.</p>
<p>viii) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences • Faculty of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
<p>ix) Modules Compatibility</p>	<p>Course catalogue for exchange students: https://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/to-trinity/ModuleDirectory/.</p>
<p>x) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</p>	<p>Postgraduate modules are not opened to undergraduate exchange students.</p> <p>NUS students can apply to most academic fields at TCD. There are, however, certain restrictions set out in TCD's study abroad module directory that are not open to exchange students or are only open to Semester 2 or full-year exchange students.</p> <p>NUS students are not permitted to take Dentistry, Medicine and Business modules.</p>

D. Application

<p>i) Procedures</p>	<p>All NUS students have to be nominated by NUS before they can apply for fee-waiver exchange at the host university.</p> <p>The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in the SharePoint.</p> <p>Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean's Office for the link to the SharePoint.</p> <p>Students will need to apply through TCD's online application system: https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php.</p> <p>TCD requires the following supporting documents in the application stage:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the application form; (ii) documentary proof of nationality; (iii) transcript of academic record; (iv) academic statement or Study Plan; (v) letter of recommendation from an academic; (vi) passport sized photograph; (vii) documentary proof that students are nominated by NUS for the Exchange Programme.
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	<p>You may refer to TCD's Study Abroad Application Guide for tips and tricks on completing the application.</p>
<p>ii) Deadlines</p>	<p>All NUS students must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home Faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year.</p> <p>After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university. The online application deadline information can be found via: https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/inbound/apply/sa-exchange/index.php</p> <p>Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.</p>
<p>E. Accommodations</p>	
<p>i) University Accommodation</p>	<p>Accommodation on-campus is extremely limited and <u>not guaranteed</u>. Incoming students are mainly accommodated in College residences at Trinity Hall, Binary Hub and Kavanagh Court. Non-EU students can apply as soon as they have confirmed acceptance of an offer of a place in Trinity College and have received their TCD ID number.</p> <p>https://www.tcd.ie/accommodation/</p>
<p>ii) Private Accommodation</p>	<p>If you do not secure university housing, or wish to find your own accommodation, TCD's Accommodation Advisory Service helps students to find accommodation by providing them with advice and access to house-hunting resources. Students are advised to arrive in Dublin at least 2-3 weeks before the teaching begins in order to secure suitable and affordable accommodation.</p>
<p>F. Visa</p>	
<p>Consular/Visa Regulation</p>	<p>All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they receive the official offer letter/email from their host university.</p> <p>The visa application process could take up to 2 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on clearance by the immigration of the host country.</p> <p>Please check if you need a visa here: https://www.irishimmigration.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Immigration-Service-Delivery-Visa-and-Non-Visa-Required-Countries.pdf</p> <p>All students who do NOT hold an EU passport must register with the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service (INIS) after arrival in Ireland. Further information on the requirements to register can be found on the INIS website:</p>

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	<p>https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/before-and-after-you-arrive/what-do-i-need-to-do-after-arriving/.</p> <p>Trinity's Immigration FAQs for Students: https://www.tcd.ie/students/supports-services/international-students.php</p>
G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance	
i) Health/Medical Insurance	<p>All registered NUS students are covered under the group personal accident and medical insurance as well as the student travel insurance. For more information on the insurance coverage, please refer to https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/.</p> <p>In order to register with the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration service (INIS), as all non-EU/EEA students are required to do, you must show proof of health insurance to cover any major medical care necessary during your stay. You can purchase insurance in your home country; however, you will need to ensure that it is valid in Ireland and in other countries you plan to travel to. Please check that your insurance policy will satisfy visa/immigration requirement for private health insurance.</p> <p>All full-time registered students are eligible to use TCD Health Service throughout the year. Detailed information regarding services can be accessed via here.</p>
ii) Emergency Number at host university	<p>Name : Campus Security (please note this is not a mobile phone)</p> <p>Tel : +353 1 896 1999</p>
H. Cost of Living	
i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses	<p>Accommodation: €1000 approx. Food: approx. €200 a month Transport: depending on location, approx. €120 a month Insurance: can range in price from €200 – €1,800 annually Others (Entertainment, clothes, mobile phone, utilities, books etc.): €75-100 a month Estimated cost per month: about €1200-1500 a month including rent</p>
I. Useful Links	
Arrival Guide	https://www.tcd.ie/study/international/trinity-life/arrival/
COVID-19 Updates	https://www.tcd.ie/about/coronavirus/

Last updated: August 2021. Note: all information is subject to change.