



INFORMATION SHEET FOR JD EXCHANGE STUDENTS 2016/17

SCHOOL OF LAW

Trinity College School of Law is Ireland's oldest and most internationally renowned law school, established in 1740. With a distinguished team of professors and lecturers, many of whom are the leading experts in their fields of study, the School of Law attracts students of the highest calibre. There are over 700 students registered at undergraduate level and 180 students at postgraduate level.

The School of Law is ideally situated on the historic campus of Trinity College Dublin in the heart of Dublin city, close to the courts and government buildings. Exchange students can experience the vibrant cultural life of the capital city while studying in one of Ireland's most famous tourist attractions.

We welcome over 80 exchange/visiting students per year from our 30 partner universities across Europe, North America, Australia and Asia. This ensures an international dimension to the School of Law with a diverse student body.

ONLINE INFORMATION FOR TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

School of Law website: www.tcd.ie/law

International Admissions and Study Abroad website: <http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/to-trinity/study-abroad/>

EMAIL ADDRESS FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS AND COORDINATORS

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HOW TO APPLY TO TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

The exchange student must first be nominated by their Exchange Coordinator in their home university to the School of Law in Trinity College Dublin. The nominated exchange student will then be contacted directly by TCD Law School to apply as "Postgraduate visiting student not reading for a degree".

APPLICATION DEADLINES

For admission in Autumn term: 15 April
(also applies to full year academic exchanges)
For admission in Spring term: 15 October

SEMESTER DATES AT THE SCHOOL OF LAW 2016/17 (PROVISIONAL DATES)

Orientation: 12 September– 23 September

Autumn term: 26 September -16 December
Examination period: First two weeks of January (dates yet to be confirmed)

Spring term: 16 January –7 April
Revision period: 10 April -28 April
Examination period: 1 May - 26 May

Exchange students coming for the autumn term only, will be examined in December before they return home. It is at the discretion of the lecturer what form the assessment will take.

VISA

Students coming from Canada and the USA to study full-time in an accredited Trinity program do not require a visa to enter Ireland. However they must register with the GNIB upon arrival and registration in Trinity College Dublin. Further information can be found at: <http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/undergraduate/coming-to-trinity/pre-arrival/>

HEALTH INSURANCE

All students are obliged to have health insurance to cover any medical costs incurred during their stay. Further information can be found at: <http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/undergraduate/coming-to-trinity/pre-arrival/>

DISABILITY SERVICE

The Disability Service is the support service for students with disability or special learning difficulties. Exchange students requiring support from Trinity College due to the impact of

their disability or specific learning difficulty are advised to contact the Service as early as possible to explore what supports can be provided.

Website: <http://www.tcd.ie/disability/>

HOUSING

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

Only a very limited number of student rooms are available to one year exchange students at Trinity Hall—the off campus student accommodation, located 5km from the university:

<http://www.tcd.ie/accommodation/StudentsandStaff/Students/TrinityHall>.

To apply for university accommodation, you must apply on-line. You will not be able to apply on line until you have received your Trinity College Student ID number, which will be included in the letter of acceptance.

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

Many exchange students, like most Irish students living away from home, live in shared houses or small self-catering flats and apartments in the inner suburbs of the city. There is a high demand for accommodation in Dublin and students are advised to arrive in Dublin at least 2- 3 weeks before term begins in order to maximise their chances of finding suitable and affordable accommodation. Temporary accommodation can be arranged on campus to allow time to search for accommodation. Early booking is advised:

<https://www.tcd.ie/accommodationandcatering/PDF/tempform.pdf>

ACCOMMODATION ADVISORY SERVICE

The Accommodation Advisory Service will operate from mid August to the third week of September to assist exchange students in finding accommodation:

<https://www.tcdsu.org/services/accommodation>

The Students' Union has also put together a useful guide explaining the different parts of the city where students usually rent:

http://issuu.com/tcdsuwelfare/docs/living_in_dublin

LIVING COSTS

For details on the approximate cost of living in Dublin for one academic year, please visit:

<http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/undergraduate/coming-to-trinity/>

ARRIVAL/INTRODUCTORY PROGRAMME

MEET & GREET SERVICE

The free 'Meet & Greet' service offers international students a stress-free transition to Ireland. If they avail of the service, students will be greeted by a Trinity student in the

arrivals area of Dublin airport who will accompany them into Dublin City Centre. Exchange students will be brought into Trinity's Students' Union office where information on finding accommodation, an Irish SIM card and lots of useful information about living in Dublin are provided <https://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/undergraduate/coming-to-trinity/airport/>

ORIENTATION WEEK

The first week of the orientation is an induction week for all new postgraduate students. The second week of orientation is organised for undergraduate and exchange students. A number of formal and informal events are scheduled, including registration, orientation meetings, a welcome reception, library tours etc. Students also have the opportunity to sign up to the 100 different student societies and 50 sports clubs which set up camp in Front Square.

LAW SCHOOL BUDDY PROGRAMME

The School of Law runs a Buddy Programme to help exchange students settle into Trinity College. This programme partners up exchange students with Irish law students, many of whom are returning from their year abroad. Exchange students will have the opportunity to seek any advice from their Irish buddy, who acts as an important point of contact throughout the year. There will be a welcome reception organised for introducing exchanges students and Irish buddies at the beginning of term.

MODULES IN SCHOOL OF LAW

JD exchange students are permitted to take modules on the LL.M. Programme in Trinity College Dublin. Modules for 2016/17 are currently being updated. When the list is finalised, this information will be sent to students and they will be asked to give a provisional list of modules. This will take place during the summer 2016. Official registration of modules will take place during first week of teaching term.

All information for LL.M. modules can be found online at:
<http://www.tcd.ie/Law/postgraduate/llm/llm-modules.php>

The standard workload for LL.M. students is three 10 ECTS modules per semester. However JD exchange students should consult their home university Exchange Coordinator to ensure they study sufficient number of modules to meet the credit requirements of their home university. This could be more than the standard three module workload of LL.M. students.

For further information on the grading system in Trinity College Dublin, please visit:
<http://www.tcd.ie/study/non-eu/study-abroad/to-trinity/erasmus/Arrival/>

LEGAL ENGLISH MODULE

The School of Law organises a Legal English module specifically for exchange students during the academic year to improve English language skills in a legal context. This module will assist to improve research skills and the ability to read thoroughly and understand cases,

textbooks, legal articles and legislation. The course also focuses on improving the standard of spoken Legal English and incorporates knowledge of Irish law, society and politics.

MODULES FROM OTHER SCHOOLS IN TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Exchange students are welcome to take modules in other Schools across Trinity College. This is subject to the approval of their Exchange Coordinator in home university and the module lecturer in Trinity College Dublin.

Students should note that in the event of there being a timetable clash with two modules, students will not be permitted to register for both modules.