

# *Special and Public Lectures and Courses*

## *SPECIAL LECTURES*

### *Elementary Irish*

A course in Irish for beginners is given each year. It is, as a rule, confined to members of staff, students on the College books and graduates of the University.

## *PUBLIC LECTURES*

### *The Cocker lecture in chemistry*

In 2007 the late Professor Wesley Cocker bequeathed a sum of money to the College for the benefit of the School of Chemistry. The income from this bequest is used to support an annual lecture on a topic of public interest related to chemistry. The speaker, eminent in the field of chemical science, is chosen by staff of the School of Chemistry.

### *The Godfrey Day memorial lectures*

The Godfrey Day memorial lectureship was founded by the Board on 9 December 1939. Each year a lecture (or lectures) on a missionary theme is organised. The Board appoints the lecturer on the nomination of the Missionary Council of the Church of Ireland which is at all times advised by the committee of the Dublin University Far Eastern Mission.

### *The Donnellan lectures*

The Donnellan lectures were founded by the Board on 22 February 1794, to carry out the intentions of Miss Anne Donnellan, of the parish of St George, Hanover Square, Middlesex, spinster, who bequeathed £1,243 to the College 'for the encouragement of religion, learning, and good manners; the particular mode of application being left to the Provost and Senior Fellows'. The subject is presented in not less than two lectures.

### *The Edmund Burke lecture*

The annual Edmund Burke lecture was instituted in 2014 by the Trinity Long Room Hub arts and humanities research institute thanks to a generous endowment from the Fallon family in honour of Trinity graduate Padraic Fallon (B.A. 1969). The lecture was established to mark Trinity College Dublin's deep connection with the 18th-century philosopher, historian and politician Edmund Burke. This lecture is to be delivered by a leading public intellectual on a topic that engages with current challenges and in doing so keep Edmund Burke's manifold legacies alive in considering the type of society we want to live in and the traditions, perspectives and values we need to draw on in the shaping of our future.

### *The E.S. and R. Duthie lecture in microbiology*

In 1984 the late Mrs Ruth Duthie made a gift of £1,000 to the College, which she augmented in 1989 by a further £1,000, to fund a lecture to be delivered once every two years, the lecturer to be chosen by the Professor of Microbiology or the Head of Microbiology, and the Head of Clinical Microbiology.

### *The French departmental lecture*

This annual lecture was founded by the French Department in 2023. Each year a lecture will be delivered on an area of French studies by someone who has made an outstanding contribution to the field. The inaugural lecture was delivered in 2023 by Dr Barry McGovern.

## Public Lectures

### *The French research seminar series*

This seminar series was founded in 2023 to provide a platform for scholars in French, at all stages in their career, to present their research findings in the field of French studies.

### *The end-of-year lecture in French studies*

This annual lecture was founded by the French Department in 2023. Each year an eminent specialist in the field will be invited to deliver a lecture in an area of French studies. The inaugural lecture was delivered in 2023 by Professor Mary Orr (University of St Andrews).

### *The Hely-Hutchinson memorial lecture*

In 1976 the Earl of Donoughmore, together with members of the Hely-Hutchinson family, endowed a visiting lectureship in memory of John Hely-Hutchinson who established the Professorships of Modern Languages and Literature in 1776 (during his term as Provost). The lectures are given every second year by a scholar or writer of the highest distinction in the modern languages and literature field.

### *The Joly memorial lectures*

After the death of John Joly, F.T.C.D., SC.D., F.R.S., Professor of Geology and Mineralogy 1897-1933, a number of his friends subscribed a sum of money to found a series of lectures in his memory.

### *The John Kirker memorial lecture in epilepsy*

Dr John Kirker (1922-2011), a graduate of the University of Dublin, was consultant neurologist in Sir Patrick Dun and Beaumont hospitals. He was instrumental in the development of clinical services in epilepsy in Ireland. Dr Kirker cared deeply about Trinity. In 2013 his family provided an endowment to fund an annual John Kirker memorial lecture in epilepsy to be organised by the School of Medicine.

### *The James Lydon lectures in Medieval history and culture*

The Lydon lectures provide a platform for a distinguished lecturer to reflect on these issues and to convey specialist findings to a mixed audience of academic specialists, students and members of the public. The series, which is published by Cambridge University Press, is named for Professor James Francis Lydon, Department of History, who died in 2013.

### *The MacNeill lectures*

This lectureship was founded in 1970 from a benefaction provided by the Engineering School Trust Fund to commemorate Sir John MacNeill, the first professor of civil engineering in the University. A public lecture is delivered every year by a lecturer appointed by the Board.

### *The Normanby lecture in microbiology*

Founded in 1996 by the Department of Microbiology in recognition of the generous support given to the department by the late Dowager Marchioness of Normanby and her family, which includes funding the construction of the Moynes Institute of Preventive Medicine in 1953 and the provision of additional research facilities within the institute since then. The lecture is delivered annually by a research scientist who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of microbiology.

### *The O'Donnell lectures in Celtic history and literature*

These lectures take their name from Charles James O'Donnell 1850-1934, who bequeathed a sum of money to found annual lectures in the Universities of Oxford, Wales and Edinburgh, the National University of Ireland, and the University of Dublin. In the British universities the lectures are on the Celtic element in the English language and population; in the Irish universities they are on Irish history since Cromwell, with special reference to the history of ancient Irish families since 1641. The first O'Donnell lecture given in the University of Dublin was in 1957.

*The Royal Dublin Society lecture*

In 1981, on the occasion of its 250th anniversary, the Royal Dublin Society commemorated the College meeting to which it traces its origins by endowing a biennial lecture on aspects of Irish social and economic policy and history with special reference to the contribution of individuals and institutions.

*The Schrödinger lecture series*

In 1995 the School of Physics, together with the Austrian Embassy and the Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies, hosted the first Schrödinger lecture. The lecture series is an annual event commemorating the famous lecture series entitled 'What is Life?' given by Erwin Schrödinger in Trinity College Dublin in 1943.

*The W.B. Stanford memorial lectures*

These lectures were founded in 1988 from funds provided by subscription to commemorate William Bedell Stanford, Regius Professor of Greek 1940-80, and Chancellor of the University 1983-4. A series of three public lectures is delivered twice every three years by a lecturer appointed by the Board. It is intended that the lectures shall be published.

*The John Lighton Synge public lecture*

This lecture was established in 1992 from funds subscribed by friends and past colleagues and students to honour John Lighton Synge, F.R.S., M.R.I.A. [Scholar (1916), Fellow and Professor of Natural Philosophy (1925-30), Honorary Fellow (1954-95)]. The lecture is delivered once every two years by a lecturer appointed by the School of Mathematics.

*The Hilda and Robert Tweedy lecture series*

This lecture series was established in 2007 in honour of Mr and Mrs Robert and Hilda Tweedy by Dr Jean M. Tweedy Walker, a Trinity alumna and daughter of Hilda and Robert. It consists of biennial lectures alternatively addressing peace, gender and human rights, and environmental issues. These topics reflect long-time interests of Hilda and Robert Tweedy.

*The H.O. White memorial lectures*

These lectures were founded in 1964 from funds provided by subscription to commemorate Herbert Martyn Oliver White, Professor of English Literature 1939-60. A public lecture is delivered every two or three years by a lecturer appointed by the Board and is followed by a seminar for senior students in English literature.

*The White social policy lecture series*

This lecture series was established in 2004 from funds given by Tony White, former student of the College, to honour *Emeritus* Senior Lecturer in Social Policy, Anthony Coughlan.

*The Whitfield drama series*

This series of events incorporating academic talks from visiting lecturers and workshop masterclasses from visiting practitioners was established in 2019 from funds given by Needham Whitfield in memory of his wife Brigid Pike Whitfield, a Trinity graduate in modern languages and a life-long lover of the performance arts.

*The Barbara Wright memorial lecture in French studies*

This annual lecture was founded by the French Department in 2020 in memory of Professor Barbara Wright. Each year a lecture is delivered by an eminent specialist on a subject in the field of Professor Wright's research interests, namely textual and visual studies and nineteenth-century French literature. The inaugural lecture was delivered in 2021 by Professor Eric Robertson (Royal Holloway, University of London), in 2022 the lecture was given by Professor Peter Read (University of Kent), and in 2023 by Professor Ségolène Le Men (University of Paris Nanterre).

## Public Lectures

PUBLIC LECTURES IN THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

*The Mary Louisa Prentice Montgomery lectures in ophthalmology*

*The John Mallet Purser lectures*

*The Frederick Price lectures*

*The T.J.D. Lane lectures*

For details see FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES.

### PUBLIC LECTURES

The following public lectures were held during the academic year 2022-23.

TRINITY MONDAY DISCOURSE

Professor John Parnell, Fellow *Emeritus*: 'A.F.G. Kerr (1877-1942)'

MICHAELMAS TERM

Sarah Alyn Stacey, 'La Muse ingenieuse/Du doulx-utile Angevin translateur': quelques observations sur *L'Énéide* de Joachim Du Bellay'

Joff Bradley, 'On the 'nutty book' of *Anti-Oedipus*'

Jonathan Bricker, 'From apps to chatbots: developing and testing theory driven digital interventions for cigarette smoking cessation'

Michael Cronin, 'Le Département de français à Trinity College et la révolution moderniste'

Dirk de Ridder, 'From phenological single target to multifocal network neuromodulation'

Ben Gardner, 'What's in a habit? Understanding the role(s) of habit in real-world behaviour'

Robin Gatel, 'An invisible presence: the representation of women in the southern French heretical reports of the twelfth-century'

Laurene Glimois, 'Processing instruction in French: an overview of theory, research and practices'

Eirini Karyotaki, 'Internet based interventions for depression: results of a series of individual patient data (network) meta analyses'

Robert Snowdon, 'Emotional processing in psychopathy and trauma'

Céline Thobois, 'Samuel Beckett's 'Le Concentrisme': from *homo academicus* to *homo performers*'

Robert Wilson, 'Information, randomization and simulation in exploration and exploitation'

Martina Wiltschko, 'How do thoughts relate to emotions? What grammar tells us'

HILARY TERM

Charlotte Berkery, 'Mapping the bourgeois night: literary street scenes in July monarchy Paris'

Cian Cooney, 'The French army's 'guerre révolutionnaire' doctrine and the far-right'

Alexandra Corey, 'Neoplatonism in the 'Ode de Madame Marguerite''

Steve Fleming, 'Metacognition, subjective experience and mental health'

Sarah Harrison, 'The red cross red crescent movement's MHPSS approach in emergencies'

Lorraine Hope, 'Capturing information from memory: innovations in investigative interviewing'

Megane Mazé, 'Forgive scribble': Samuel Beckett's depistolarisation of the letter'

Barry McGovern, 'He is a university man, of course': Samuel Beckett and the Trinity years'

Barry Nevin, 'From *metteurs en scène* to *auteurs*: reassessing directorial authorship in the classic French cinema's *tradition de qualité*'

Jean-Paul Pittion, 'Printing a book in the Renaissance: from manuscript copy to printed book'

Jean-Paul Pittion, 'Vesalius 1543: an anatomical revolution?'

Sophie Scott, 'The science of laughter'

Tali Sharot, 'How people form beliefs'

Sophie von Stumm, 'The risks and advantages of 'personalising' education'

## Public Lectures

Luke Warde, 'J'ai attrapé la guerre dans ma tête': explosive sound in Louis-Ferdinand Céline's *Guerre*'

Lorijn Zaadnoordijk, 'Lessons from infant learning for unsupervised machine learning'

### TRINITY TERM

Sarah Alyn Stacey, Patrick Crowley, Mary Gallagher, Roger Little, Caroline Williamson Sinalo, Théophile Mundaye, 'What are the emerging future directions for research and teaching in Francophone African studies?'

Sara-Louise Cooper, 'The repeating ocean: reading Mediterranean migration from a Caribbean Ireland'

Mariam Diallo, 'La Francophonie dans l'enseignement supérieur en Irlande: débats d'idées et de cultures'

Kathy Dillon, 'Se réapproprié son corps passe aussi par un travail sur la langue, sur le vocabulaire' – textual deliverance of the corps femme in the political and fictional works of Leïla Slimani'

Mary Gallagher, 'Francophone African vices in Ireland'

Dónal Hassett, 'The propagators of the new Algeria': veteran policy in the Algerian war of independence'

Niall Kennedy, 'The cinema of Djibril Diop Mambety'

Sécolène Le Men, 'The semiotics of display: Impressionism at home in 19th-century Paris — Moreau-Nélaton's collection as case study'

Roger Little, 'French departmental research network for Francophone African studies: au réseau, bon vent !'

Théophile Mundaye, 'Étude de représentation littéraire des mutations socio-culturelles aux prises avec l'élitisme éducationnel en Afrique'

Mary Orr, 'It 'grow'd'. Or fostering discipline in interdisciplinary research'

Arianna Whelan, 'Ireland-Africa strategic relations and Ireland's engagement with Francophone countries in Africa'

Caroline Williamson Sinalo, 'Between guiltless responsibility and current French interests: uncovering motive in the media coverage of the Duclert report in Le Monde and the Rwandan New Times and Pan African Review'