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# Welcome to Science at Trinity

# TR062: Geography and Geoscience introduction

Welcome to Geography and Geoscience at Trinity. Geography and Geoscience is the study of our planet and the people that live on it. This multi- disciplinary programme is designed by leading research scientists in response to critical challenges facing the Earth system and humanity in the 21st century. It integrates knowledge from the physical, chemical, biological, and social sciences to develop novel insights into Earth system function and human- environment interactions.

Our four-year programme, culminating in the degrees of Geography or Geoscience, combines classroom lectures, seminars, laboratory-based practical classes, and outdoor field work, to develop the theoretical understanding and technical expertise needed to address applied, real-world problems such as natural resource management and sea level rise.

In years 1 and 2 you will acquire a broad grounding in geography and geoscience with an emphasis on physical geography, geology, and human-environment interactions. You will learn about topical issues such as climate change, natural hazards (e.g., volcanoes, earthquakes, landslides), energy, sustainability, and natural resources. These foundation years cover a diverse range of material including: the origins and development of our planet; earth structure and composition; circulation in the atmosphere and oceans; the evolution of life on Earth; Earth surface processes and environments (e.g., glaciers, rivers, and deserts). In addition to learning about the physical, chemical, and biological processes responsible for creating and shaping the Earth, you will also consider the unique role that humans play in the Earth system, including our impacts on the land, air and water, and the grand challenges linked to environmental governance, policy, and management.

In years 3 and 4, you will deepen your knowledge in specialist areas, while further developing a portfolio of practical and technical skills. The flexible programme structure provides for module choice while retaining coherent curriculum design, thereby ensuring you will be well prepared for entry to the constantly changing job market. Specialist options span the breadth of Geography and Geoscience, allowing you to tailor the course to suit your interests. In this way, you may focus on topics traditionally associated with geography (e.g., geomorphology, globalisation, sustainability) or geology (e.g., volcanology, palaeontology, natural resources), or you may choose to retain a broader, multi-disciplinary perspective that spans the critical interface between science and society.

An important part of your final year of study is the independent research project in which you will undertake an in-depth investigation of a specific topic. This project acts as a catalyst for you to reflect on your learning from the programme as a whole and to demonstrate your ability to think independently, communicate effectively, develop continuously and act responsibly as you transition to the world of work or to postgraduate studies.

My colleagues and I look forward to working with you and hope you will find your time at Trinity enjoyable, challenging and rewarding in equal measure.

Dr Sean McCleanaghan
Director, TR062 Geography and Geoscience

# TR062 Geography and Geoscience overview and module selection

Module choices will be made online. Please read the following information on pages 2 and 3 and then go to the <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/uR8p1ZPanA">https://forms.office.com/e/uR8p1ZPanA</a> to select your modules. The forms will not open until the information session is finished, **18**<sup>th</sup> **September 14.00 hrs** and it will **close on the 19**<sup>th</sup> **September 14.00 hrs.** If you feel that you need assistance with your choices, please contact us at <a href="mailto:ifsco@tcd.ie">ifsco@tcd.ie</a> and we will be happy to help.

Students must take 40 core credit modules (20 per semester) as follows:

GSU11001	Spaceship Earth: An introduction to Earth System	1	10
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GSU11002	Introduction to Geology: A Beginner's Guide to Planet Earth	2	10
GSU11003	The Anthropocene: Constructing the Human Planet	2	10
MAU11001	Mathematics, Statistics & Computation	1	10

Students will choose open modules to the value of 20 credits (10 per semester) from the following:

BYU11101	From Molecules to Cells	1	10
BYU11102	Organisms to Ecosystems	2	10
CHU11101	General and Physical Chemistry	1	10
CHU11102	Introduction to Inorganic and Organic Chemistry	2	10
GGU11006	Human Geography: Exploring the Interconnected World	1	10
PYU11F20	Foundation Physics for Life and Earth Scientists 2	2	10

# Moderatorships

In the Junior and Senior Fresh years TR062 students complete a course of study which will qualify students to compete for places in the following Moderatorships after the Senior Fresh year:

- Geography
- Geoscience

## Semester structure

TR062: GEOGRAPHY AND GEOSCIENCE			
CORE MODULES (mandatory) –	20 credits per semester		
SEMESTER 1 – Michaelmas term 23 <sup>rd</sup> September to 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	SEMESTER 2 – Hilary Term 20 <sup>th</sup> January to 07 <sup>th</sup> April 2025		
GSU11001: Spaceship Earth: An introduction to Earth System Science	GSU11002: Introduction to Geology: A Beginner's Guide to Planet Earth		
MAU11001: Mathematics, Statistics and Computation	GSU11003: The Anthropocene: Constructing the Human Planet		
OPEN MODULES (optional): Stu	dents choose 10 credits from each semester		
BYU11101: From Molecules to Cells	BYU11102: Organisms to Ecosystems		
CHU11101: General and Physical Chemistry	CHU11102: Introduction to Inorganic and Organic Chemistry		
GGU11006: Human Geography  – Exploring the Interconnected World	PYU11F20: Foundation Physics		

# **Change of Approved Modules**

If, after a couple of weeks, a student feels that they have perhaps made the wrong choice of approved module, they should seek **advice immediately** from a Tutor, Course Director, or the Science Course Office. It may be possible to change from one module to another within your course, subject to permission from the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Science Education. Once a decision has been made to change modules, it should be done **quickly** - it can be difficult to try to catch up with work in a new module when more than two or three weeks of lectures have been missed. Change of module forms are available from the Science Course Office.

# TR062: GEOGRAPHY AND GEOSCIENCE – CORE MODULES

GSU11001: Spaceship Earth: An Introduction to Earth System Science Semester 1 – 10 credits

Contact hours: Lectures = 22 hrs; Tutorials (5 x 1 hrs)

Module coordinator: Professor Robin Edwards (robin.edwards@tcd.ie)

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this module, you will be able to:

- Outline the fundamental concepts of Earth Systems Science with reference to its major subsystems: Geosphere, Biosphere, Atmosphere, Hydrosphere and Anthroposphere
- Illustrate how material and energy are cycled through the Earth system.
- Describe the links between biotic and abiotic systems and their role in maintaining a habitable planet.
- Apply an Earth Systems approach to describe the phenomena of environmental and climate change.
- Discriminate between 'weather' and 'climate' and situate concerns about current climate change in a longer-term (geological) context.
- Identify how human activities modify Earth System function.
- Apply core concepts in geography and geoscience to real-world examples.

### **Learning Aims**

To provide foundation-level knowledge of:

- Fundamental concepts of Earth systems science and the theoretical basis of the 'systems approach' in Geography and Geoscience
- Character and scope of Earth's principal sub-systems: Geosphere, Hydrosphere, Atmosphere, Biosphere and Anthroposphere
- Composition / structure of the solid Earth (Geosphere) and the principal processes / drivers responsible for its formation and evolution
- Composition / structure of atmosphere and ocean, the physical processes / drivers of their circulation, and the nature of coupling between them
- Weather and climate at a global scale including climate change past, present and future.
- Biogeochemical cycling and the role of interconnected biotic and abiotic systems in the maintenance of life on Earth
- Ecological and historical biogeography including fundamentals of ecology, evolution, and extinction.
- Nature and scope of human impacts on the Earth system including the 'Anthropocene' concept.

To develop the following skills & graduate attributes:

- Digital skills to manipulate and analyse geographical data, including use of Google Earth and Excel
- Self-motivated and reflective approach to independent learning, including completion of assigned reading, activities, and formative assessment.
- Discuss contemporary issues in geography and geoscience in a small group context.
- Conceptual framework that will underpin subsequent specialism in Geography & Geoscience.

### **Module Outlines**

More than 7 billion people now inhabit the Earth, and no corner of the planet is unaffected by human activity. The rise of our species has been fuelled by our ability to access planetary storehouses of energy and employ this to manipulate the environments around us. The global-scale of human impacts has led some to suggest we are entering a new era of Earth history - the Anthropocene. Dealing with the effects of environmental and climate change is one of the most significant challenges that our species faces in the 21st century. This module provides a foundation for understanding global environmental issues by considering the Earth as an interconnected system in which matter and energy are exchanged between the Geosphere, Biosphere, Atmosphere, Hydrosphere and the Anthroposphere. It considers the life-support systems of 'spaceship Earth' and aims to provide a theoretical basis for evaluating the role of humans as agents of climate and environmental change.

### **Recommended reading lists**

- Holden, J. (2017) An Introduction to Physical Geography and the Environment. 4th Edition. Pearson: Harlow, UK.
- Skinner, B.J., Murck, B. (2011) The Blue Planet: An Introduction to Earth System Science. 3rd Edition. J. Wiley & Sons: Hoboken, USA. 656 pages.

### **Assessment:**

100% continuous assessment via in-course tests and assignments.

### **Contact Details:**

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**Geology Executive Officer** 

Ms Debora Dias TR062Admin@tcd.ie

**Geography Executive Officer: Ms** 

geography@tcd.ie Helen O'Halloran

# GSU11002: Introduction to Geology: A Beginner's Guide to Planet Earth

Semester 2, 10 credits

Contact hours: Lectures = 26 hrs; Practicals = 18 hrs: Fieldtrips TBC Module coordinator: Professor Christopher Nicholas (nicholyj@tcd.ie)

### **Learning outcomes:**

On successful completion of this module students will be able to:

- Outline the origin and evolution of planet Earth.
- Describe and illustrate the dynamic nature of planet Earth with reference to specific geological processes.
- Describe the origins of life on Earth and list the major evolutionary episodes evident in the fossil record.
- Explain the links between the evolution of life and environmental conditions on planet Earth.
- Outline the geological history of the island of Ireland.
- Make basic geological observations, measurements and interpretations in the field and laboratory.

### **Learning Aims:**

To provide foundation-level knowledge of:

- Fundamental concepts and principal methods employed in the science of geology.
- Planetary origins and evolution of planet Earth
- Rock types, composition, classification, and transformation
- Structure of planet Earth and plate tectonic theory
- The distribution and causes of geohazards (volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis)
- Fossil evidence of the origins and evolution of life on Earth
- Geological evidence of past environments and climatic conditions
- Economic geology and the nature of geological resources
- Field and laboratory techniques that will be employed in Geography & Geoscience

To develop the following skills & graduate attributes:

- Written and digital / analytical skills
- Critical thinking
- Effective work as part of a team
- Conceptual framework that will underpin subsequent specialism in Geography & Geoscience

### **Module content:**

From the vastness of space to the microscopic crystal structure of minerals; from events which take billions of years, like galaxy formation, to volcanic eruptions which may last only minutes or seconds. Geology, or Earth Science, is the all-encompassing study of Planet Earth. Geology sets out to investigate the origin and development of the planet, the natural principles that govern it, the processes that act in it, on it, and around it, and finally the life that has evolved with it. Many sciences are conducted in the laboratory, but to a geologist, the Earth itself is the laboratory.

The module is organised into two main themes. Firstly, we will look at 'Earth in Space'. We live on a dynamic and ever-changing planet, where the surface is constantly being destroyed and renewed. This theme looks at the origin of the Earth, what it's made of and the processes at work, inside and out, which drive this change. The second theme, 'Earth in Time', then focuses on the evolution of the planet over time, and the life that has evolved with it. Earth has been around for just over 4,500 000 000 years, and remarkably, we have evidence that life has existed for at least 3,800 000 000 of those years. There are times in Earth's history when geological events have changed the course of biological evolution. And, perhaps more intriguingly, there are times when life has changed the way the planet operates. So, this theme of Earth and Life evolving together through geological time is illustrated by looking at eight key episodes in Earth's history, without which, we simply wouldn't be here.

## **Recommended Reading List:**

 Nicholas, C. J., 2017. A Beginner's Guide to Planet Earth: Introductory Lectures in Geology. C.J. Nicholas (ISBN 978-1-911180-33-3)

### **Assessment:**

50% Theory Exam; 50% in-course assessment.

### **Contacts Details:**

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Ms Debora Dias

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Ms Helen O'Halloran geography@tcd.ie

## GSU11003: The Anthropocene: Constructing the Human Planet

Semester 2, 10 credits

Contact hours: Lectures and seminars = 23 hrs

Module coordinator: Dr Rory Rowan (rowanro@tcd.ie)

### **Learning outcomes:**

On successful completion of this module, you will be able to:

- Understand and explain the scientific and cultural significance of the Anthropocene.
- Critically engage with key debates over the Anthropocene that span the natural sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities.
- Identify the major ethical and political questions facing humanity in a time of ecological uncertainty and environmental degradation.
- Connect the Anthropocene with current events and everyday life, particularly as relates to urban sustainability.

### **Learning Aims:**

- Develop core reading skills and capacity to synthesize and build arguments through involvement in small class seminars.
- Develop core writing skills through academic and creative writing assignments.

### **Module content:**

The "Anthropocene" is a term that has become widely used since Nobel Prize Laureate Paul Crutzen and Eugene Stoermer began popularizing it in 2000. They argued that humans had so dramatically transformed the planet that it was time to pronounce a new geological epoch: the Anthropocene—or "the human age."

Whether the Anthropocene is officially accepted as the designation of a new geological epoch or not, the term has sparked debates and discussions across the natural sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities. The multi-disciplinary interest in the Anthropocene demonstrates that the term is more than simply a geological or physical phenomenon; it has complex social, cultural, political, and economic dimensions.

From plastic-filled oceans to species extinction, there is little doubt that human activities are making their mark on the planet. The challenge is to develop more critical, trans-disciplinary understandings of how this situation has arisen and how we might learn to live better on a damaged planet. This module sets out to meet this challenge by engaging ideas and perspectives from the natural sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities, students will learn to describe and understand environmental change from multiple perspectives.

### **Recommended Reading List:**

- Ellis, E. (2018) The Anthropocene: A Very Short Introduction. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Lewis, S., & Maslin, M. (2018) The Human Planet: How We Created the Anthropocene. London: Penguin Books.

### **Assessment:**

100% continuous assessment.

# MAU11001: Mathematics, Statistics and Computation

Semester 1, 10 credits

### Module learning aim:

The students should be enabled to use maths and statistics as tools to solve problems in their scientific discipline, like finding maxima or minima of functions, solving (matrix) difference equations, and performing a basic statistical analysis of a data set, aided by the computer language R. When using R and predefined R-functions, students should be in the position to understand the underlying principles., for example how confidence intervals are obtained from integrals of probability density functions. The relevant sciences will help these aims by emphasising the role of mathematical and statistical methods in the context of their respective disciplines.

### **Module learning outcomes:**

On successful completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Use graphs of functions in the context of derivatives and integrals.
- Compute derivatives and equations of tangent lines for graphs of standard functions including rational, trigonometric, exponential, and logarithmic functions.
- Compute definite and indefinite integrals using substitution and integration by parts.
- Solve maximisation/minimisation problems using the first derivative test and other applied problems based on population dynamics and radioactive decay.
- Algebraically manipulate matrices by addition and multiplication and use Leslie matrices to determine population growth.
- Solve systems of linear equations using Gauss-Jordan elimination.
- Calculate the determinant of a square matrix and use Gauss-Jordan elimination to determine a matrix inverse.
- Find the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors of a given square matrix.
- Learn the basic ideas of descriptive statistics, types of variables and measures of central tendency and spread.
- Recognise common discrete and continuous distributions and how these naturally arise in life science examples.
- Extract information from a data set and make inference about a population using ideas of sampling distributions, confidence intervals and hypothesis testing.
- Carry out basic tasks using the statistical software R such as importing, exporting, and manipulating data, analysing and graphing data, loading and installing package extensions, as well as using help files and online resources to either solve error queries or achieve more niche capabilities.

### **Module content:**

- Calculus part: functions and graphs, limits, continuity, definition of derivative, rules of
  differentiation, graphical interpretation of derivatives, optimisation problems, growth,
  and decay applications, semilog and log-log plots, techniques of integration, differential
  equations and initial value problems.
- **Discrete part:** limits of sequences, difference equations, discrete time models, vectors and matrices, inverse matrices, determinants, systems of difference equations, systems of linear equations, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, Leslie matrices, matrix models.

• Statistics part: numerical and graphical descriptions of data, relationships and linear regression, samples and inference, conditional probability and Bayes' rule, discrete and continuous random variables, sampling distribution, confidence intervals, hypothesis testing.

## **Recommended reading lists:**

- Biocalculus: Calculus, probability, and statistics for the life sciences by Stewart and Day.
- Getting started with R: An introduction for biologists by Beckerman, Childs and Petchey.

## **Methods of Teaching and Student Learning:**

9 weeks of teaching with 5 lectures, 2 tutorials and 1 computer practical per week 1 or 2 lecturers from the school of mathematics

### **Methods of Assessment:**

- This module is examined in a 2-hour examination at the end of Semester 2.
- The mathematics part of the module contributes 70% towards the overall mark (with 50% based on the exam and 20% based on the tutorials).
- The statistics part of the module contributes 30% towards the overall mark (based on a group assignment during the last weeks of the semester with groups of 1-3 students working together on a data analysis project).
- Re-assessment, if needed, consists of 100% exam.

### **Contact Details:**

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# TR062: Geography and Geoscience – Open Modules

BYU11101: From Molecules to Cells I

Semester 1, 10 credits

Module Coordinator: Kevin Mitchell (Email: kevin.mitchell@tcd.ie)

## **Module Learning Aims**

This module aims to introduce students to molecular and cellular biology, including key topics in Cell Biology, Biochemistry, Genetics, and Microbiology. A description of the possible origin of life, from the abiotic world to single-celled and multicellular organisms is given, and the ultrastructure of the prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells is covered in detail. The properties and functions of the major classes of biochemicals found in living systems (carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids) are described, the structure and function of membranes and organelles, and the chemical basis of metabolism and energy transfer in the cell. Students are introduced to basic concepts in Genetics, how the information contained in DNA (genes) is expressed, replicated, and inherited. Finally, the sheer diversity of life forms, from viruses to prokaryotic and eukaryotic microorganisms, to more complex plant and animal life forms is described. Students also study cell and virus structure, cell growth and viral replication, agents of infectious diseases, and host immunity.

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:

Provide an account of the cellular basis of life: from its origins in the abiotic world, to the evolution of unicellular and multicellular organisms.

Describe the diversity of life forms: including viruses, prokaryotes (bacteria), archaea, and eukaryotes (unicellular organisms, animals, and plants).

Provide an account of the chemical basis of life and the biochemistry on which living systems depend: the properties and functions of the major classes of biomolecules, the structure and function of membranes and organelles, and the chemical basis of metabolism and energy transfer.

Describe how the information contained in DNA (genes) directs the construction and growth of an organism, and how this information is replicated and transmitted from one generation to the next (inheritance; genetics).

Employ a range of laboratory techniques, demonstrating the development of practical scientific skills, knowledge of experimental design and the interpretation of results.

Apply the scientific method as a fundamental approach to experiment-based investigations, critical analysis of data, and problem solving.

## **Contact Hours/Methods of Teaching and Learning**

Lectures and practical's will be supplemented with information sessions, tutorials and activities that provide guidance in the use of library resources, laboratory health and safety, writing techniques, help with avoiding plagiarism and examination techniques. Sixty-five hours contact time.

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### **Lecture Content:**

- **Origin of Life:** What is Life? How did it arise? The Origin of Life from a chemical and cellular perspective; the abiotic world; the prebiotic world; Miller-Urey experiment; the first cell; photosynthesis and oxygen mass extinction; origin of first eukaryotic cell; multicellular life; cell specialization.
- **Cellular basis of life**: Cell structure prokaryotes, archaea, eukaryotes animal and plant organelles & their prokaryotic origin mitochondria, chloroplasts, mitosis, and meiosis cell division regulation of cell division.
- **Diversity of Microbial Life:** the tree of life; bacteria, archaea, fungi & protists, cell structure, morphology, function, and habitat; extremophiles; viruses
- **Relationship between life forms**: the good, the bad and the ugly; concepts of symbiosis and parasites; plant and animal diseases.
- Structural principles for small molecules: elements and chemical groups in life, bonds, bond energies, bond lengths; forces between biological molecules and chemical groups; asymmetry; four classes of biomolecules: amino acids, nucleotides, carbohydrates & lipids
- Nucleotides, Amino acids, and peptides: DNA, RNA, chromatin and chromosome structure, properties of amino acids, chemical features, and physical properties of the Rgroups; the peptide unit and peptide bond
- Proteins and protein structure: the concept that shape dictates function; hierarchical
  organization of protein structure; concept of primary, secondary, tertiary and
  quaternary structure; introduction to forces that stabilize protein structure.
- **Protein function**: functional classes of protein; introduction to bioinformatics; proteins and evolution; relationships between proteins; similarity and identity.
- **Enzymes:** structure & function; reaction mechanisms; co-factors and vitamins; kinetics; regulation of enzyme activity
- **Lipids and membranes**: lipid structures, fatty acids, phospholipids; membranes, chemical and physical properties, membrane proteins; transport across membranes; concept of compartmentation and membrane traffic.
- **Metabolism & major metabolic pathways**: the starting point: introduction to carbohydrates and fatty acids; organization, energetic principles, key steps, and links between the main metabolic pathways; glycolysis, TCA cycle, beta oxidation; outline of the reversing catabolic pathways, gluconeogenesis, and fatty acids synthesis.
- **Mitochondria & Respiration**: mitochondria, redox reactions, and energy transduction; electron transport and the electron transport chain; oxidative phosphorylation; coupling of oxidations to phosphorylation; chemiosmotic view of energy transduction (in brief).
- **Chloroplasts and Photosynthesis**: chloroplast, architecture and function, overview of the light and dark reactions of photosynthesis.
- **Introduction to Genetics**: an outline of some core concepts from classical genetics to the present; a whistle stops tour of key discoveries in the history of genetics.
- Mendelian Genetics: Mendel's laws, the 1st law of segregation and the 2nd law of
  independent assortment using monohybrid and dihybrid crosses; concepts relating to
  genetic analysis and the use of model systems; inheritance patterns for single gene
  disorders pedigree analysis.
- **Linkage and recombination:** Meiosis and the role of 'crossing over' in gene mapping; a brief recap regarding Mendelian genetics for example, highlighting that genetic linkage

- breaks Mendel's 2nd law of independent assortment; outline of key concepts underlying the generation of genetic maps; classical work by Sturtevant / Morgan.
- Identification of DNA as hereditary material; key experiments establishing DNA as the
  genetic material; bacterial transformation and its significance (Griffith / Avery, McLeod
  & McCarthy / Hershey-Chase); the concept of horizontal gene transfer (mechanisms
  transformation, conjugation, transduction); differences in vertical and horizontal gene
  transfer.
- Quantitative Genetics: an overview of concepts relating to discrete variation versus
  continuous variation; experiments demonstrating that quantitative traits are inherited,
  examples of quantitative traits in humans; concepts regarding the use of GWAS to
  elucidate the genetics architecture of complex traits using an example of one or more
  disorders.
- DNA, Structure and Function: the double helix discovery of the structure of DNA DNA composition DNA replication semi-conservative replication, replication forks, leading and lagging strand synthesis, DNA polymerases; DNA replication in prokaryotes and eukaryotes.
- Information flow in the cell The Central Dogma: transcription, RNA polymerases in prokaryotes and eukaryotes; promoters, repressors, terminators the *lac* operon; transcription factors, enhancers; decoding the information in mRNA, translation; ribosomes in prokaryotes and eukaryotes, tRNAs and aminoacyl tRNA synthetases, the genetic code; introduction to the regulation of gene expression positive and negative regulation.
- DNA –Mutation and its consequences: mechanisms by which mutations are
  generated including errors in DNA replication; the action of chemical and physical
  mutagens; errors in chromosome construction and distribution; an outline of the
  different types of mutation (missense, nonsense, frameshift mutations) and their
  molecular consequences in relation to gene expression and protein function; mutations
  causing inherited diseases and cancer; DNA repair mechanisms of DNA repair, repair
  deficiency and disease.

### **Recommended Textbook**

Campbell Biology, 12th Edition by Lisa A. Urry, Michael L. Cain, Steven A. Wasserman, Peter V. Minorsky, Jane B. Reece (Published by Pearson (2021)

### **Assessment Details:**

- (A) End of semester examination: 50% of module mark
- (B) **Coursework: 50% of module mark.** Coursework includes compulsory attendance at laboratory sessions, assignments associated with practical's, in-course essay and MCQ tests of lecture material.

## Students must obtain an overall module mark of 40% to pass the module.

A student who fails to attend more than one-third (1/3) of the practical sessions cannot pass the module without completion of a supplementary practical session, or an alternative exercise if a practical is not possible.

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# BYU11102: Organisms to Ecosystems I

Semester 2, 10 credits

Module Coordinator: Trevor Hodkinson (hodkinst@tcd.ie)

## Module learning aims.

Organisms to Ecosystems I aims to introduce students to the biology of individuals, species, populations, and ecosystems, and explore how humans interact with other living organisms. It covers the developmental biology of organisms, their physiology, brain function and the evolutionary and ecological responses of organisms to their environment. Topics incorporate the diversity of life and its biological development, interactions between organisms and their environment, the biological context of climate change, human impacts on the environment, future food sustainability, urban ecology, ecosystem services and the value and conservation of biodiversity. Topics are arranged in three sections: 1) Multicellularity and Development, Physiology, Behavior and Neuroscience, 2) Evolution: Adaptation, Populations and Biodiversity, and 3) Ecology and Environment.

A mixture of lectures, tutorials and hands-on laboratory practicals are used in the delivery of this module. There will be one - ecology practical - on a field site outside of campus.

### **Learning outcomes**

On successful completion of this module, the student will be able to:

- 1. Outline the major steps involved in how complex animal and plants are formed and be able to relate the morphological changes that occur to the molecular and cellular changes that underlie and drive embryo and organ development.
- 2. Describe the concept of homeostasis at the cell, organ, and organism level; give examples of the functional interrelationships that exist between cells, organs, and systems; provide an account of how organisms can sense change in the environment.
- 3. Describe the basic principles by which the brain functions and outline key experimental steps and informative clinical cases that have elucidated our current understanding of brain function.
- 4. Recognize the diversity of life on earth and describe how it evolved over geological time scales.
- 5. Describe the ecological relationships between individuals, populations, communities, and ecosystems, and between organisms and their environment.
- 6. Recognize how humans can positively and negatively influence other living organisms and their environment and understand the value of other living organisms for humans.
- 7. Demonstrate practical, numerical, and analytical skills.
- 8. Collate, synthesize, organize, and present information in written reports.

### **Contact Hours/Methods of Teaching and Learning**

Lectures and practical's will be supported by online resources provided in Blackboard. Essay writing skills will be developed. 65 hours contact time.

### **Module Content**

Lecture Topic	Lecturer	Practical		
Introduction and overview	Trevor Hodkinson			
Section 1 Multicellularity and Development, Physiology, Behaviour and Neuroscience				
1. Multicellularity and Development	Paula Murphy			

2. Introduction to Development	Paula Murphy	Development and Floral Morphology
3. Embryogenesis and Morphogenesis	Paula Murphy	
4. Intercellular Communication,	Paula Murphy	
5. Pattern Formation	Paula Murphy	Physiology
6. Differential Gene Expression	Paula Murphy	
7. Form and Function	Áine Kelly	
8. Homeostasis	Áine Kelly	
9. Physiological Regulation	Áine Kelly	
10. Pre-neuroscience History of Ideas of Mind & Brain	Tomas Ryan	
11. Fundamentals of Nervous System Structure and Function	Tomas Ryan	
12. Introduction to the Biology of Memory Storage	Tomas Ryan	
Section 2 Evolution: Adaptation, Populations a	nd Biodiversity	
13. History of life	Trevor Hodkinson	First Life
14. Selection/modern synthesis	Trevor Hodkinson	
15. Species	Trevor Hodkinson	Diversity of Life
16. Speciation	Trevor Hodkinson	
17. Extinction	Trevor Hodkinson	Evolution
18. Phylogeny	Trevor Hodkinson	
19. Genetic Basis of Selection	Aoife McLysaght	Species Diversity Evolution &
20. Genetic Basis of Evolution 1	Aoife McLysaght	Modularity
21. Genetic basis of Evolution 2	Aoife McLysaght	
22. Human Evolution	Aoife McLysaght	
Section 3 Ecology and Environment		
23. Species	Jay Piggott	
24. Species - Conservation	Jay Piggott	Biodiversity & Ecosystems
25. Trophic Cascades and Rewilding	Jay Piggott	Services
26. Constructing Ecosystems and Conservation	Jay Piggott	
27. Urban ecology	Jay Piggott	
28. Ecosystem Services and Natural Capital	Jay Piggott	Biological Environmental
29. Global Ecology and Climate Change	Richard Nair	Systems
30. Biomes, Niches	Richard Nair	
31. Biomes and Global Productivity	Richard Nair	
32. Biomes and Biogeochemical Cycles	Richard Nair	
33. Desiccation Resistance and Space Travel	Richard Nair	

# **Lecture Content:**

- Introduction to development: core concepts, model organisms, analysis of development; morphology, genetic, biochemical.
- Embryogenesis and morphogenesis: germ layers
- **Intercellular communication:** determination, potency, axis formation anterior-posterior, dorsal-ventral.
- Pattern formation: morphogens, gradients, and thresholds.

- **Differential gene expression**: temporal and spatial, master regulators.
- **Form and Function**: functional characteristics of living things; specialisation of cells/tissues/organs to fulfil specific functions.
- Homeostasis: the concept of the internal environment; composition, temperature, pH etc. of body fluids; maintenance of homeostasis by cooperation of different physiological systems; feedback and feed-forward.
- Physiological Regulation of Function: fundamentals of nervous and endocrine control of function and comparison of speed and modes of action: how an individual organism senses and responds to changes in the external and internal environments.
- Pre-neuroscience history of mind/brain ideas: cartesian dualism and materialist and non-materialist explanations of mind; the brain as the substrate of mind; the effects of head trauma on behaviour and memory, anatomy of the human/mammalian brain, functions in behaviour and in homeostasis, overview of human brain regions and attribution of various regions to broad functions (evidence from lesions, imaging).
- Fundamentals of nervous system structure and function: reticular vs. neuron theory, nervous system as electrically active, Helmholtz and excitable neurons, action potentials & synaptic transmission.
- Introduction to the biology of memory storage: challenges of integrating neurobiology and brain function at multiple levels; reductionism and correlation vs. causation; the biology of memory storage.
- Short history of life: timeline, major groups, diversity.
- Selection/modern synthesis: adaptation
- **Species**: definitions, taxonomy, diversity, species rich groups.
- **Speciation**: allopatric, sympatric, adaptation, radiations, key innovations.
- **Extinction**: fossils, global change (climate, atmosphere, tectonic).
- **Phylogeny:** homology, convergence, reversals, methods.
- Genetic basis of selection
- **Genetic basis of evolution**: molecular variation, neutral theory, drift; molecular evolution of population genetic variation.
- Human evolution
- Global ecology and climate change: future climate change global challenges –
  projections; pest diseases, human physiology, how to predict; need to understand
  fundamentals of ecology to address these global
  challenges.
- Biomes, niches: introduction to biomes, what shapes biome distribution? climate change, climate niches / fundamental versus realized niche; challenge of predicting future ecological responses to climate change
- Commonness, rarity, and population processes: extinction or persistence are processes
  that operate at the population level; introduction to concepts of abundance and rarity,
  competition, dispersal, demography and its application to conservation (endemism and
  invasions).
- Conservation: applications of population biology at the species level, including prioritizing species for conservation management, assessing threat and red listing.

- Trophic cascades and rewilding: what is a community, energy flow, applications of community ecology to conservation and rewilding challenges; consumption, facilitation & predation.
- Constructing ecosystems and conservation: in the Anthropocene humans have constructed new ecosystems, what are they, where do we find them and what are their values? Contrast with "natural" ecosystems.
- **Urban ecology**: how have organisms adapted to living in urban environments? How can we better design our cities and buildings to gain more value from nature and support biodiversity?
- **Ecosystem services and natural capital**: nature provides many valuable ecosystem services supported by natural capital; introduction to the concepts and controversies surrounding the ecosystem services and natural capital concepts.
- Food: environmental impacts and ecological process: food security- ecological concepts- productivity- energy flows through ecological systems/basic concepts of biogeochemical cycles.
- **Future food and a changing planet**: food security; ecological concepts, human population increase, projections for future productivity.
- Biosphere feedbacks on climate system: introduction to biological feedbacks on the climate system; carbon sequestration/ transpiration/ water budget, within biomes; fire feedbacks/rain seeding; nature-based solutions to climate mitigation and adaptation; green and blue solutions – cities etc., 'The Martian' closed system.

### **Recommended Textbook:**

Campbell Biology, 12th Edition by Lisa A. Urry, Michael L. Cain, Steven A. Wasserman, Peter V. Minorsky, Jane B. Reece (Published by Pearson (2021)

### **Assessment Details: Assessment Details:**

**Laboratory Manager:** Audrey Carroll

- (A) End of semester examination: 50% of module mark
- (B) **Coursework: 50% of module mark.** Coursework includes compulsory attendance at laboratory sessions, assignments associated with practical's, in-course essay and MCQ tests of lecture material.

## Students must obtain an overall module mark of 40% to pass the module.

A student who fails to attend more than one-third (1/3) of the practical sessions cannot pass the module without completion of a supplementary practical session, or an alternative exercise in the event that a practical is not possible.

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# CHU11101: General and Physical Chemistry

Semester 1, 10 credits

## **Capping**

If a student is required to be reassessed in the module, a capped mark of 60% will apply to any component that is reassessed in this chemistry module.

## **Rationale and Aims:**

To provide a general introduction to chemistry and physical chemistry and equips the student with the knowledge to understand the basic concepts in chemistry, understanding of the building principles of matter, chemical bonding and molecular structure, an introduction to thermodynamics, electrochemistry, acid/base reactions and to the chemistry of liquids, solids, and solutions.

# **Content Layout**

Topic
<ul> <li>Introduction to General Chemistry</li> <li>Motivation for studying chemistry; physical states of chemical matter; classification of matter, physical and chemical properties of pure substances and mixtures; extensive and intensive properties; chemical analysis.</li> <li>Measurements and units; the international system of units; derived units, the reliability of measurements and calculations; significant figures in simple calculations.</li> <li>Structure and building principles of atoms; element symbols; masses and the mole; introduction to the periodic table; brief introduction to the structure of the electron shell; ionisation energy and electron affinity.</li> <li>Law of conservation of mass; law of definite composition; bonding in chemical substances; ionic bonding; covalent bonding; weak bonding; molecules and solid-state structures; electronegativity; the periodic table.</li> <li>Chemical nomenclature of inorganic compounds; stoichiometry; mole, molarity, and concentration; interpreting stoichiometric coefficients; sample calculations.</li> <li>Chemical reactions; symbolizing reactions; balancing equations; limiting reagents and yields; role of water in chemical reactions; important classes of chemical reactions; precipitation reactions; examples of precipitation reactions in chemistry net ionic equations.</li> <li>Introduction to acid and base reactions; acid-base titration,</li> <li>Introduction to oxidation and reduction reactions; oxidation number and electron transfer; oxidizing and reducting agents; half-reactions.</li> </ul>

## **General Chemistry: Structure, Bonding, and Periodicity**

- The electronic theory of chemistry:
- The spectrum of atomic hydrogen; wave properties of particles; the structures of many-electron atoms.
- Orbital energies.
- building-up principle.
- Lewis structures of polyatomic molecules.
- Bond parameters.
- Charge distribution in compounds.
- Assessing the charge distribution.
- Polarization. Ionic and atomic radii.
- A survey of periodic properties; Periodicity and trends cross the periodic table; Electronic and physiochemical changes of metals, metalloids, and non-metals across the periodic table.
- Periodic nature of ionic and atomic radii, Ionization energy and Electron Affinity, Electronegativity.
- The electron-pair bond. Lewis acids and bases.
- The Shapes of Molecules.
- Valence Shell Electron Repulsion theory.
- The arrangement of electron pairs.
- Polar molecules.
- Hybridization.
- A perspective on chemical bonding

# 5-12 (24 L) Introduction to Physical Chemistry

- The ideal gas law.
- Kinetic molecular theory of ideal gases
- Differences between real and ideal gases
- The First Law of Thermodynamics
- Internal Energy, Enthalpy and Calorimetry
- Cp and Cv, expansion/compression of gases. Adiabatic.
- The Second Law of Thermodynamics: entropy
- The Carnot cycle.
- Gibbs' Free Energy
- Chemical Equilibrium
- Boltzmann's Factor
- Acids-Bases and Titrations
- Electrochemistry: Nernst equation, electrochemical potential, galvanic cells, electrolysis
- Phases of state
- Intermolecular forces origin, distance-dependence, and effect on properties
- Structure and packing of solid structures and their properties.
- Properties of liquids viscosity, surface tension, vapour pressure
- Water the universal solvent
- Phase transitions and phase diagrams

- Thermodynamics and phase transitions
- Solutions: liquids in liquids, gases in liquids, solids in liquids
- Thermodynamics of solvation
- Colligative properties

### **Reading list/ Indicative Resources**

- Chemistry & Chemical Reactivity Hardcover by Paul Treichel, John Kotz, John Townsend, David Treichel; Publisher: Brooks Cole; 9 ed.
- Atkins, P.W. & de Paula, J. (2011) Physical Chemistry for the Life Sciences, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, W H Freeman & Co
- Inorganic Chemistry, by C. E. Housecroft and A. G. Sharpe, Publisher: Pearson, 2018, 5<sup>th</sup> ed.
- Inorganic Chemistry by Gary *Miessler*, Paul *Fischer*, Donald *Tarr*, Publisher: Pearson, 2021. 5<sup>th</sup> ed.

## **Methods of Teaching and Student Learning**

A mixture of lectures, tutorials and hands-on laboratory practicals are used in the delivery of this module. The practical sessions are formatted in order to further clarify concepts thus reinforcing learning. A weekly hour of tutorial problem solving activities provides an additional opportunity for the lecturer to assess understanding and gauge the knowledge level of the students.

All lecture notes and problem sheets and a selection of self-assessment quizzes are available for students on Blackboard.

## **Learning outcomes**

On completion of this module the student should be able to:

- Explain, using appropriate terminology and physical units, basic concepts in chemistry, including precipitation and redox reactions.
- Analyse bonding and atomic molecular structure
- Describe the chemical and physical properties of elements as a function of their position in the periodic table.
- Identify, determine, and explain the origin of the trends within groups and across periods of the properties of elements in the periodic table.
- Describe the typical structures of some common compounds of the main group elements.
- Classify elements as metallic/metalloid/non-metallic and contrast their characteristic properties.
- Apply the ideal gas law to calculations of gas properties.
- Describe the principles underpinning the kinetic theory of gases.
- Analyse and identify the main types of intermolecular forces.
- Identify and explain the principal features of the phase diagrams of pure compounds, including pressure dependence of melting and boiling points, triple point and critical point, and variation of vapour pressure with temperature.
- Calculate chemical equilibria and illustrate the key concepts, including variation of components with concentration, temperature, and pressure.
- Discuss simple acid/base chemistry and apply to solution equilibria.

- Illustrate the basic concepts of an electrochemical cell, including half-cell reactions, cell potential and reaction free energy and be able to determine these properties as well as concentration dependence.
- Describe the main classes of the solid-state structure; cubic- and hexagonal close packing; body-centred and face-centred cubic structures. Octahedral and tetrahedral holes, coordination numbers, the Born-Haber cycle, lattice energy.
- Identify, describe, and analyse the factors affecting solubility.
- Define and explain colligative properties, including Raoult's Law and the calculation of molecular weights.
- Understand and apply the concepts underlying the First and Second Laws of Thermodynamics to numerical problems.

### **Assessment details:**

This module will be examined via a combination of in-course assessments (30% of the final mark) and a 3 h examination (70% of the final mark).

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# CHU11102: Introduction to Inorganic and Organic Chemistry

Semester 2, 10 credits

# **Capping**

If a student is required to be reassessed in the module, a capped mark of 60% will apply to any component that is reassessed in this chemistry module.

# **Content Layout**

Teaching	Topic
r	Introduction to Organic Chemistry
1-8 (28 L)	<ul> <li>Alkanes, isomers, homologous series, IUPAC nomenclature, physical properties and molecular size, the tetrahedral carbon atom, shapes of organic molecules, alicyclic rings, concept of bond strain, conformations of ethane and of the cyclohexane ring, chair and boat forms and their relative stabilities, axial and equatorial bonds.</li> <li>Alkenes, nomenclature, the double bond as an electron rich centre mechanism of electrophilic addition of hydrogen halides, water, and halogens to the double bond, Markownikoff rule, shape of the double bond, geometric isomerism, cis-trans isomers and E-Z nomenclature, catalytic hydrogenation, oxidative cleavage of double bonds including ozonolysis.</li> <li>Alkyne reactions treated briefly as a simple extension of alkene reactions, acidity of alkynes and nucleophilic character of the alkyne anion.</li> <li>Introduction to aromaticity: benzene structure. Resonance forms and Kekulé structures. Nomenclature. Orbital picture -Consequences of structure. Stability. Quantification of resonance stabilisation energy. Electrophilic addition reactivity. Electrophilic aromatic substitution. Mechanism. Reaction types. Bromination. Nitration. Sulfonation. The Friedel-Crafts reaction. Friedel-Crafts.</li> <li>Alkyl halides, idea of leaving group, introduction to the use of curly arrows in representing mechanism, idea of nucleophiles and electrophiles, nucleophilic substitutions, SN1 and SN2 mechanisms, carbocations, dehydrohalogenation, elimination mechanisms E1 and E2 emphasising common intermediate for SN1 and E1, direction of elimination, Saytzeff rule, organo lithium and Grignard reagents as carbon nucleophiles.</li> <li>Alcohols, hydrogen bonds, differences between primary secondary and tertiary, amphoteric nature of the OH group, alkoxides, mechanism of dehydration, oxidation.</li> </ul>
	Amines as bases and as nucleophiles.
	Aldehydes and ketones, nucleophilic attack on the carbonyl carbon,
	cyanohydrins, oximes, hydrazones, Grignard products, acetals and the mechanism of their formation, oxidation and reduction of the carbonyl

- group, keto-enol tautomerism, the enolate anion, resonance, haloform reaction, aldol condensation.
- Carboxylic acids, acid strength, carboxylate anions, esters, acid halides, acid anhydrides, amides, emphasis on electrophilic nature of the carbonyl group, mechanism of esterification and hydrolysis.

# 9-12 (14 L) Introduction to Inorganic Chemistry 1

- This section of the module covers an introduction to inorganic chemistry, with emphasis on bonding, molecular orbital treatment of bonding, and an introduction to coordination chemistry.
- Introduction to Molecular Orbital Theory (7 L)
- Atomic orbitals (s,p,d) as wave functions; their representation as enclosed boundary surfaces and as radial distribution functions. The relationship of these ideas to the Bohr model for atomic hydrogen.
   Relative energies of these orbitals; orbital angular momentum in nonhydrogen-like atoms; penetration and shielding.
- Hybridisation of atomic orbitals and the hybrids associated with various geometries; VSEPR treatment of molecular structures.
- Bonding as the linear combination of atomic orbitals, including non-bonding and anti-bonding interactions. Labelling of molecular orbitals as sigma, pi (g or u), molecular orbital diagrams of homonuclear diatomic molecules of the first and second row of the Periodic Table. Mixing of molecular orbitals and its effect on the relative energies of the resulting molecular orbital diagram. Molecular orbital approach for simple molecules including H2O, BeH2 and BCl3. Reactivity of CO in terms of the molecular orbital energy diagram for this molecule. Appreciation of the Molecular Orbital basis of the spectrochemical series.

## **Introduction to Coordination Chemistry**

- Brief introduction why study metal complexes?
- What is a metal complex? Overview of concepts and definitions: Lewis Acid-base concept.
- Formation and stability of metal complexes: Complex formation and dissociation; cumulative stability constants and trends; the 'chelate effect'; factors affecting stability.
- Classification of common ligands: Donor atoms and functional groups.
   Multidentate and chelating ligands; stereochemistry and formation of chelate rings.
- Stereochemistry of metal complexes. Coordination numbers 2-6 and geometry of metal complex; square planar, tetrahedral; trigonal bipyramid; square based pyramid; octahedral; distortion of geometries.
- Electronic structure and properties of transition metal complexes: Ionic vs. covalent bonding models; crystal field theory; energy level diagrams in tetrahedral - octahedral fields.

- 18-electron rule, Molecular Orbital Diagrams for Octahedral Complexes, M-L  $\sigma$  and  $\pi$  bonding
- Consequences and applications of orbital splitting: Electronic configurations of metal complexes; crystal filed stabilization energies (CFSE); Factors effecting Delta; spectrochemical series; HS and LS configurations; magnetic properties and the spin-only formula.
- Electronic spectra of metal complexes: UV-vis. Spectra; interpretation of data; Laporte and spin selection rules; extinction coefficients and wavelength; Jahn-Teller effect.

## **Reading list/ Indicative Resources**

- Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry, by John E. McMurry and Eric E. Simanek
- Chemistry & Chemical Reactivity Hardcover by Paul Treichel, John Kotz, John Townsend, David Treichel; Publisher: Brooks Cole; 9 ed.
- Organic Chemistry, by Jonathan Clayden and Nick Greeves; Publisher: OUP Oxford; 2 ed.
- Inorganic Chemistry, by C. E. Housecroft and A. G. Sharpe, Publisher: Pearson, 2018, 5<sup>th</sup> ed.
- Inorganic Chemistry by Gary Miessler, Paul Fischer, Donald Tarr, Publisher: Pearson, 2021, 5<sup>th</sup> ed.

# **Methods of Teaching and Student Learning**

A mixture of lectures, tutorials and hands-on laboratory practicals are used in the delivery of this module. The practical sessions are formatted in order to further clarify concepts thus reinforcing learning. A weekly hour of tutorial problem solving activities provides an additional opportunity for the lecturer to assess understanding and gauge the knowledge level of the students.

## **Learning outcomes**

On completion of this module the student should be able to:

- Identify and explain bonding, hybridisation, and mechanisms.
- Describe and explain the chemistry of functional groups (alkanes, alkenes and alkynes, aromatics, alkylhalides, alcohol, aldehydes, ketones, and amines) and their applications.
- Analyse and discriminate between mechanisms in terms of the inherent reactivity/polarisation etc. of the two reaction components.
- Identify and classify chiral centres in organic molecules.
- Understand particle wave duality, the contribution of quantum mechanics to understanding atomic and molecular orbits, formation of bonds and how molecular orbitals can be derived using atomic orbitals.
- Discuss Lewis Acid-Base concept and classify different ligands.
- Understand the chelate effect and factors which affect metal complex stability.
- Analyse common geometries and distortion.
- Explain different bonding models and Crystal Field Theory.
- Predict and explain d-orbital splitting in transition metal complexes and its effects on the geometry and electronic properties.
- Calculate crystal field stabilization energies (CFSE) and high-spin and low-spin configurations.

• Interpret extinction coefficients and selection rules in understanding electronic spectra of complexes.

# **Module Prerequisite:**

CHU11101 General and Physical Chemistry (First Semester)

## **Assessment details:**

This module will be examined via a combination of in-course assessments (25% of the final mark) and a 3 h examination paper (75% of the final mark).

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# GGU11006: Human Geography – Exploring the Interconnected World

## Semester 1, 10 credits

### **Learning Outcomes:**

- Describe the evolution of the discipline with respect to the philosophical bases which have contributed to its development, the range and changing character of methodological approaches and the foci of geographical enquiry.
- Demonstrate a knowledge of contemporary approaches to the study of human geography.
- Display an ability to use an approach to "thinking geographically" to analyse current events.
- To develop an ability to identify and engage critically with relevant debates within human geography through an in-depth analysis of relevant literature.
- Identify how urbanisation occurs, why urbanisation is a global phenomenon and recognise the forces underlying the growth of urban settlements.
- Describe the impact of urbanisation on different parts of the world.
- Apply approaches in urban geography to analyse key urban problems and challenges.

### **Module Outline:**

This module will provide students with an introduction to key topics, concepts, and approaches in human geography. The overarching theme of the module is exploring the interconnected world, which will entail two interrelated components: exploring how globalisation has produced interdependencies between different parts of the world and understanding how geographers have both shaped the world and our understandings of it. The module will include a mixture of lecture and tutorial classes. The lectures will provide students with an insight into what it means to "think geographically" about contemporary and historical world challenges. It will focus, in particular, on how understanding the development of the discipline of Geography, its philosophical bases and methodological practices can illuminate crucial contemporary challenges such as migration and urbanisation. The tutorials will expand on these topics by providing students with the basis for key geographical, methodological, and analytical skills.

## **Recommended Reading List:**

## Section 1

- Boyle, M. Human Geography: A concise Introduction (Wiley-Blackwell, Chichester, 2015).
- Daniels, P., Bradshaw, M., Shaw, D. & Sidaway, J.: An Introduction to Human Geography. (Pearson, Harlow, 2008)
- Johnson, R., & Sideway, J.D. Geography and Geographers: Anglo American Geography since 1945 (seventh edition) (Routledge, London, 2015
- Knox, P.L. & Marston, S.A.: Human Geography places and regions in global context. (Pearson, Upper Saddle River, NJ, 2007)
- Massey, D. & Allen, J. (eds.): Geography Matters (Cambridge Univ. Press, 1984)
- Sparke, M. Introducing globalization: Ties, tensions, and uneven integration. (John Wiley & Sons, 2012)

### Section 2

- Clark, D.: Urban World, Global City (Routledge, 1996)
- Edwards, C., & Imrie, R. The short guide to urban policy. (Policy Press, Bristol, 2015).

- Jonas, A. E., McCann, E., & Thomas, M. Urban geography: a critical introduction. John Wiley & Sons, Chichester, 2015).
- Knox, P.L.: Urbanization: An Introduction to Urban Geography (Prentice Hall, 1994)

### Section 3

- Dicken, P.: Global Shift (Sage, London, 2003 & subsequent editions)
- Held, D. (ed.): A Globalizing World? Culture, Economics, Politics. (Routledge, London, 2004)
- Johnston, R.J., Taylor, P. & Watts, M.: Geographies of Global Change. (Blackwell, Oxford, 2002)
- Knox, P., Agnew, J.: The Geography of the World Economy, (Arnold, London, 1998)
- Lee, R. & Wills, J.: Geographies of Economies. (Arnold, London, 1997)
- Perrons, D.: Globalization and Social Change. (Routledge, London. 2004)
- Potter, R., Binns, T., Elliott, J. and Smith, D.: Geographies of Development (Addison Wesley Longman, Harlow. 1999)
- Sokol, M., Economic Geographies of Globalisation: A short Introduction, Cheltenham (Edward Elgar. 2011)

### **Assessment:**

100% continuous assessment via in-course tests and assignments.

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# PYU11F20: Foundation Physics for Life and Earth Sciences

## Semester 2, 10 credits

Foundation Physics for the Life and Earth Sciences is a foundation module (10 credits) in physics.

It is available as an approved 10 credit module for TR060 and TR062 students, all of whom are taking Maths, Stats, & Computation (10 credits); as well as for TR061 students (if not taking Physics 1 or Physics 2) who take both Mathematics 1 (10 credits) and Mathematics 2 (10 credits). It is available in both semesters for TR060 students, (but cannot be taken twice); it is only available in semester 2 for TR061 and TR062 students.

### **Module Content:**

This foundation module comprises lectures, practical work and tutorials, providing an introduction to: physics of motion, biomechanics, physics of hearing and seeing, electricity, magnetism and bioelectricity, radioactivity, nuclear physics and related medical applications, heat, pressure, as well as fluids and their biological, geological and medical applications.

## **Module Learning Outcomes:**

On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate the application of Classical Physics within the biomedical and earth sciences
- Connect the study of wave phenomena and electromagnetism with ultrasound diagnostics and vision.
- Relate basic knowledge of atomic and nuclear physics to radiation diagnostics and therapy, and to geological applications.
- Prepare a brief report, including error analysis, on a simple physical experiment.
- Through homework: (i) identify the appropriate concepts, principles, and relations that apply to the problem; (ii) provide a reasonable and appropriate explanation of why they apply; and (iii) solve physics problems at a foundation level.

## **Module Structure:**

**Contact Hours:** 42 lectures/tutorials, three-hour practical laboratories, online homework.

**Module Personnel**: Lecturers: Prof. Lewys Jones; Prof. Martin Hegner; Prof. Matthias Möbius

### **Summary of Laboratory Practicals:**

In the Foundation Physics for Earth and Life Sciences students complete a minimum of three of the available bench experiments in the semester. The emphasis in the laboratory practical is on learning to make physical measurements, record keeping in laboratory notebooks and estimating uncertainties in measurements, while using these estimates in analysing data in order to make a quantitative measurement of a physics property. Differing students will attempt a differing set of experiments from those available. There may also be differing availability of experiments on the bench in both semesters. Students are required to record all data and information related to experiments in a hardback practical laboratory notebook which is assessed.

### **Laboratory Practicals:**

Experiments are selected from among but are not limited to: Pendulum, Thin Lenses, Density and the Principle of Archimedes, Surface Tension, Electrical Resistance, Collisions and Momentum Transfer, Resonance Tube, Leslie's Cube, Geiger Counter, and Photoelectric Effect among others.

## **Assessment of practical experiments:**

All student's physics experiments are assessed through both online and submission of written experimental reports and through an at-the-bench laboratory notebook assessment. These reports and notebooks must include and require a documented complete data analysis, description, and concise report of the outcomes of the experiment, and any inferences or conclusions that can be drawn from the outcome.

### **Reading List:**

There is required reading and textbook for this course is an online e-Book, "Physics: Principles with Applications" by Giancoli from Pearson publishers. The e-Book includes access to the online homework platform used for assessment, and purchasing this bundle is a requirement for enrolling on this course. The School of Physics has negotiated a group-discount for this book and details of how to obtain this discount will be shared with students after enrolment.

## **Online Assignments:**

Online assignments are submitted through the online homework platform associated with the "Physics: Principles with Applications" by Giancoli. The electronic access is associated with the required textbook and details of how to register once you have purchased the e-Book will be shared after enrolment.

## **Methods of Teaching and Student Learning:**

A mixture of lectures, hands-on laboratory practical, lecture demonstrations and weekly online assignments based on both numerical and conceptual questions from the textbook are used in the delivery of this module. The lecture course follows the material in the textbook very closely with reading assignments clearly indicated to students as the lecture course progresses.

The practical sessions are structured to provide a firm introduction to the process of physical measurements, as well as an introduction to estimations of uncertainty (error) and propagation of errors as applied to physics experiments. Each experiment has its own specific learning outcomes and is structured in order to further clarify concepts met in the textbook and lectures thus reinforcing learning.

Weekly homework assignments, typically alternating between topics, are submitted by students through an online system and corrected, with some limited feedback to the student available through the online system post deadline. The lecturer has oversight of the scores and responses to each assignment and can address these in subsequent lectures and tutorials.

Finally, a number of lecturers use class-based polling of student responses to questions using the available "clicker" technologies.

### **Methods of Assessment:**

Assessment is by a combination of examination and continuous assessment and will include multiple choice tests (MCQs) examination paper; laboratory practical work; and online tutorial homework assignments.

Module website: See links at:

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# Important information

## College registration

You will complete College registration online via the website <a href="mailto:my.tcd.ie">my.tcd.ie</a>. Registration will open on a course-by-course basis. A communication will be sent to the e-mail address you supplied during the application process inviting you to log in to the Academic Registry website to register. When you receive your TCD email address, check it regularly Please check your TCD email address regularly as that will then be the address to which all Trinity communications will be sent.

All information regarding College registration is available at the following link: <a href="http://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/registration/">http://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/registration/</a>

**Please Note:** Students who have already accessed the <u>my.tcd.ie</u> website should continue to access it using your current username and password as this will not change. For those who have not previously logged on, a username and password has been created to give you immediate access.

# **Closing Dates for Course Transfer**

If you decide to transfer out of your course altogether, you must submit an application for transfer of course to the Academic Registry, following discussion with your tutor. Decisions are based on a) the availability of places, and b) the entry qualifications of the transfer applicant. It may not be possible to permit transfers to subjects which already have a full complement of students. Further details are available on the following link: <a href="http://www.tcd.ie/study/apply/making-an-application/undergraduate/index.php">http://www.tcd.ie/study/apply/making-an-application/undergraduate/index.php</a>

Students may not register or attend a course until their application to transfer has been formally approved by the Senior Lecturer

## **Progression and Awards**

Information on progression and awards can be found via the following webpage: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-affairs/ug-prog-award-regs/index.php">https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-affairs/ug-prog-award-regs/index.php</a>

Information in relation to all undergraduate Regulations can be found via the following: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-affairs/ug-regulations/">https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-affairs/ug-regulations/</a>

## Attendance/Non-attendance Regulations for Junior and Senior Fresh Students

The following regulations will apply to Junior and Senior Fresh student in the following Science Courses:

TR060: Biological and Biomedical Science

TR061: Chemical Sciences

TR062: Geography and Geoscience

TR063: Physical Sciences

All students must begin attendance for their course no later than the first day of teaching term and must fully take part in the academic work of their course. Attendance at Lectures, Labs, Field trips and tutorials is **compulsory** in both core and open modules. Timetables are published through the my.tcd.ie portal and the onus lies with the student to inform themselves of dates, times and venues by consulting the timetable regularly.

It is extremely important that students meet all the requirements of their course and that they submit all continuous assessments, Laboratory practical/Field course reports and assignments by the required deadlines. Students should ensure that they make themselves aware of the module weightings which are outlined in the relevant booklets available from the Science Course Office website: https://www.tcd.ie/science/undergraduate/

## **Laboratory Practicals, Field courses and Tutorials**

The primary function of laboratory practicals, compulsory field courses and tutorials is to equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary to be successful at sophister level in their chosen moderatorship. Therefore, they are an extremely important part of the student educational experience in Science. The learning outcomes for these components are intrinsically linked with the physical actions of being present. Students who do not attend at least 2/3 of the compulsory sessions in a module will be returned as "non-satisfactory attendance and may be excluded from taking their exams: see section below.

## **Coursework/assignments**

Students must complete and submit all coursework, laboratory write ups, field course notes in full by the published submission date. Deductions for late submission will be applied as follows:

Biology – 10% reduction from final grade per week Chemistry – 10% for the first 24 hours and 5% ever day after that Geoscience – 10% reduction from final grade per week

Module handbooks will detail penalties for late submission of individual pieces of continuous assessment.

It is therefore essential, that students who think they will not be in a position to meet a certain deadline, contact the module Coordinator or Course Director before the due date. We recognise that there are times when students will struggle with deadlines, and problems identified at the time are more easily dealt with than retrospectively when assignments start piling up.

Module coordinators/Course Director details can be found in the Blackboard modules or in the relevant handbooks available for download from the Science webpage: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/science/undergraduate/">https://www.tcd.ie/science/undergraduate/</a>

### **Absence through illness:**

Where a student misses an assigned laboratory/field course/compulsory tutorial class through illness, they must (a) submit an absence report and upload a med cert via the Science Absence form:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=jb6V1Qaz9EWAZJ5bgvvlK2pn-Bcn6aBJpJezeqwuYapUMkpaU1E5SDY5TDZaTUhYU01PMlhBV0kxSyQlQCN0PWcu on the day of their return to College and (b) inform the laboratory practical supervisor of their absence at the earliest opportunity and certainly at the next session.

**Note:** submission of a medical certificate does not automatically initiate excusal from an activity. The student must obtain excusal from the module coordinator or Course Director after they have submitted a medical cert.

### Other absences:

Students who have sports commitments to the College should supply confirmation from the appropriate committee to the Module Coordinator/Course Director well in advance of any event.

Students who anticipate that their sporting commitments may necessitate more than an occasional absence from College (e.g., Sports Scholars etc.) should discuss their situation with their tutor and the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Science Education (ADUSE).

Students who have unexpected family commitments should request excusal from the Module Coordinator/Course Director. Excuses for absence presented after the event, will not be accepted.

## Vacations/Holidays/Weddings during teaching term

Students who are absent from College during teaching term for planned vacations/holidays/weddings etc. must ask the Senior Lecturer, through their tutor, for permission to be absent from college. No special accommodations will be made for such students. No replacement tutorials, laboratory/field courses will be scheduled, and no lecture material will be recorded. The onus in such cases lies with the student to catch up on the worked missed.

The general regulations outlined above will apply however, individual cases will be reviewed on their own merits.

# Non-Satisfactory attendance in Science

All Junior and Senior Fresh students must fulfil the course and module requirements as set out above with regard to attendance. At the end of teaching term students who have not satisfied these regulations may be reported as non-satisfactory for that term. Students whose attendance is reported as non-satisfactory may be refused permission to take their semester one or semester two examinations and may be required to repeat the year.

Science students will be considered non-satisfactory in a module if:

They fail to attend at least 2/3 of the laboratory practicals/field trips in a module.

They fail to submit at least 2/3 of the required coursework/assignments in a module.

## **Academic Integrity**

Plagiarism is using someone else's ideas, charts, concepts, or words in your assignments and using them as if they were your own, and without giving credit to the actual author. Plagiarism is considered a serious offence in Trinity and carries penalties depending on the severity of the plagiarism.

To ensure that you have a clear understanding of what plagiarism is, how Trinity deals with cases of plagiarism, and how to avoid it, you will find a repository of information at https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity

- Academic Integrity homepage (formerly Avoiding Plagiarism): https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity
- Ready Steady Write tutorial: <a href="https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity/ready-steady-write">https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity/ready-steady-write</a>

- Coversheet declaration: <a href="https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity/declaration">https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity/declaration</a>
- Levels and consequences: <a href="https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity/levels-and-consequences">https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity/levels-and-consequences</a>

Correct referencing is essential when crediting your sources and avoiding plagiarism. Your course handbook will tell you what style of referencing you should use in your assignments so be sure to check that out before you start any assignments. You will waste a lot of time if you have to redo your references.

### Resources

Referencite, University of Auckland, New Zealand has some good interactive resources to help you understand plagiarism and how to avoid

it: https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/law/current-students/llb-information/academic-information/cheating-plagiarism-turnitin.html

## **Trinity Tutorial Service**

The Tutorial Service is unique, confidential and available to all undergraduate students offering student support in all aspects of College life. The Tutorial Service is supported and co-ordinated by the Senior Tutor's Office which is located on the ground floor in House 27.

## **Opening Hours**

The Senior Tutors Office is open Monday – Friday from 9am – 5.30pm. Closed for lunch from 1-2pm.

### **Appointments**

If you require specific advice or would like a confidential meeting with the Senior Tutor, you can make an appointment by telephoning +353 1 896 2551 or by emailing <a href="mailto:stosec@tcd.ie">stosec@tcd.ie</a>

### What is a Tutor?

A Tutor is a member of the academic staff who is appointed to look after the general welfare and development of the students in his/her care. Whilst the Tutor may be one of your lecturers, this is not always the case as the role of the College Tutor is quite separate from the teaching role.

# When should I go to see my Tutor?

Whenever you are worried or concerned about any aspect of College life or your personal life, in particular if it is affecting your academic work. Everything you say to your Tutor is in strict confidence. Unless you give him/her permission to do so, s/he will not give any information to anybody else, whether inside College or outside (to your parents/family for example). Your Tutor can only help you if s/he knows you are facing difficulties, so if you are worried about anything go and see your Tutor before things get out of hand.

Further information on the Senior Tutors Office and College Tutors may be found via the following webpage: **Senior Tutor's Office** –

https://www.tcd.ie/seniortutor/students/undergraduate/

## **Disability Services**

The Disability Service aims to provide appropriate advice, support, and information to help students and staff with disabilities. The Disability Service has in place a range of supports to ensure that students with disabilities have full access to the same facilities for study and recreation as their peers. Most students registering with the Disability Service request access to a range of supports that help the student reach their full potential while studying. Most students' needs are accommodated through these supports. The student decides what level of support they require.

For contact information or to make an appointment, please contact the Disability Service – contact details are available via their webpage: https://www.tcd.ie/disability/contact/

## **Student Counselling**

The Student Counselling Service is here to help you to manage any difficulties you are experiencing so you can enjoy and fully participate in your time here at College.

If you wish to make an appointment with the Student Counselling Service, please consider one of the options below. If you have any other queries you can call into reception on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of 7-9 South Leinster Street or contact us on:

Phone: (01) 8961407

Email: <a href="mailto:student-counselling@tcd.ie">student-counselling@tcd.ie</a>

For further information visit the following webpage: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/Student">https://www.tcd.ie/Student</a> Counselling/

## Helpful College Websites:

In the first few weeks at College, you will hear an array of abbreviations, titles, and place names. So, visit the jargon buster page: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/students/jargon-buster/">https://www.tcd.ie/students/jargon-buster/</a>

Student life offers information on Supports and Services, Clubs and Societies, Student Unions etc., <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/students/">https://www.tcd.ie/students/</a>

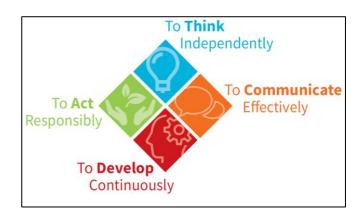
For information on Registration, Fees, Grants, ID Cards etc. visit the Academic Registry (AR) in the Watts Building or the visit the AR website: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/">https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/</a>

# **Graduate Attributes**

The Trinity Graduate Attributes represent the qualities, skills and behaviours that you will have the opportunity to develop as a Trinity student over your entire university experience, in other words, not only in the classroom, but also through engagement in co- and extracurricular activities (such as summer work placements, internships, or volunteering).

The four Trinity Graduate Attributes are:

- To Think Independently
- To Act Responsibly
- To Develop Continuously
- To Communicate Effectively



## Why are the Graduate Attributes important?

The Trinity Graduate Attributes will enhance your personal, professional and intellectual development. They will also help to prepare you for lifelong learning and for the challenges of living and working in an increasingly complex and changing world.

The Graduate Attributes will enhance your employability. Whilst your degree remains fundamental, also being able to demonstrate these Graduate Attributes will help you to differentiate yourself as they encapsulate the kinds of transversal skills and abilities, which employers are looking for.

# How will I develop these Graduate Attributes?

Many of the Graduate Attributes are 'slow learned', in other words, you will develop them over the four or five years of your of study.

They are embedded in the curriculum and in assessments, for example, through undertaking independent research for your final year project, giving presentations and engaging in group work.

You will also develop them through the co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. If you help to run a club or society you will be improving your leadership skills, or if you play a sport you are building your communication and team-work skills.

# Dates to Note:

**Fresh Orientation:** 16<sup>th</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Semester one term dates:** 09<sup>th</sup> September to 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

**Study Week Semester 1:** 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Semester one examinations:** 09<sup>th</sup> December to 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Semester two term dates:** 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Study week semester 2:** 03<sup>rd</sup> to 07<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**Semester two examinations:** 22<sup>nd</sup> April to 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025

TEACHING TERM DATES 2024-2025					
	Michaelmas Term Hilary Term				
Monday 9 Septen	nber - Friday	29 Nov 2024	Monday 20 January 2025 - Friday 11 April 2025		
Teaching wk. 1	Week 03	09 Sept – 13 Sept	Teaching wk. 1	Week 22	20 Jan - 24 Jan
Teaching wk. 2	Week 04	*16 Sept - 20 Sept	Teaching wk. 2	Week 23	27 Jan – 31 Jan
Teaching wk. 3	Week 05	**23 Sept - 27 Sept	Teaching wk. 3	Week 24	*03 Feb - 07 Feb
Teaching wk. 4	Week 06	30 Sept – 04 Oct	Teaching wk. 4	Week 25	10 Feb - 14 Feb
Teaching wk. 5	Week 07	07 Oct - 11 Oct	Teaching wk. 5	Week 26	17 Feb - 21 Feb
Teaching wk. 6	Week 08	14 Oct – 18 Oct	Teaching wk. 6	Week 27	24 Feb – 28 Feb
Study week	Week 09	21 Oct - 25 Oct	Study week	Week 28	03 Mar - 07 Mar
Teaching wk. 8	Week 10	*28 Oct - 01 Nov	Teaching wk. 8	Week 29	10 Mar - 14 Mar
Teaching wk. 9	Week 11	04 Nov - 08 Nov	Teaching wk. 9	Week 30	*17 Mar - 21 Mar
Teaching wk. 10	Week 12	11 Nov - 15 Nov	Teaching wk. 10	Week 31	24 Mar - 28 Mar
Teaching wk. 11	Week 13	18 Nov - 22 Nov	Teaching wk. 11	Week 32	*31 Mar - 04 Apr
Teaching wk. 12	Week 14	25 Nov – 29 Nov	Teaching wk. 12	Week 33	07 Apr - 11 Apr

<sup>\*</sup> Orientation week for new entrants

October bank holiday – Monday 28th October 2024

February bank holiday – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

St Patrick's Day - Monday 17th March 2025

<sup>\*\*</sup> Teaching begins for all Junior Fresh Students

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ITEM	neral Information  REFERENCE/Source
General Regulations	Calendar, Part II - General Regulations and Information, Section II, Item 12: https://www.tcd.ie/calendar/undergraduate-studies/general-regulations-and-information.pdf  Calendar, Part III, General Regulations, Section 1.20 https://www.tcd.ie/calendar/graduate-studies-higher-degrees/  Attendance Requirements: Calendar, Part II, General Regulations and Information, Section II, Items 17-23 Calendar, Part III, General Regulations and Information, Sections 1.23; 2.11; and 3.2  Absence from Examinations Calendar, Part II, General Regulations and Information, Section II, Item 35 Calendar, Part III, Section 3.5 https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-policies/assets/assess-nonsub-absence-sep2020.pdf
	Plagiarism Policy and information: https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/UG regulations/Plagiarism.php https://libguides.tcd.ie/friendly.php?s=plagiarism  Timetables are available via my.tcd.ie portal: https://my.tcd.ie/urd/sits.urd/run/siw_lgn
General Information	Blackboard: <a href="https://tcd.blackboard.com/webapps/login/">https://tcd.blackboard.com/webapps/login/</a> Academic Registry: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/">https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/</a>
	Data Protection: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/info_compliance/data-protection/student-data/">https://www.tcd.ie/info_compliance/data-protection/student-data/</a>
	Dignity & Respect Policy <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/equality/policy/dignity-and-respect-policy/">https://www.tcd.ie/equality/policy/dignity-and-respect-policy/</a>
Foundation Scholarship	Foundation and Non Foundation Scholarship: Calendar, Part II Science Foundation Scholarship information sheet: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/exams/scholarship/">https://www.tcd.ie/academicregistry/exams/scholarship/</a>

Appendix 1: Gen	eral Information
Арреник 1. Ост	TR060: Biological and Biomedical Sciences Foundation Scholarship Examination 2024-25 – Information for Scholarship Candidates:
	Academic Policies: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-policies/">https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/academic-policies/</a>
	Student Learning and Development: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/Student_Counselling/student-learning/">https://www.tcd.ie/Student_Counselling/student-learning/</a>
	Student Complaints Procedure: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/about/policies/160722">https://www.tcd.ie/about/policies/160722</a> Student%20Complaints%20Proce <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/about/policies/160722">dure PUB.pdf</a>
Teaching and Learning	Dignity & Respect Policy <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/equality/policy/dignity-and-respect-policy/">https://www.tcd.ie/equality/policy/dignity-and-respect-policy/</a>
	Student Evaluation and Feedback: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/quality/quality-assurance/evaluation.php">https://www.tcd.ie/teaching-learning/quality/quality-assurance/evaluation.php</a>
	Academic Integrity: <a href="https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity">https://libguides.tcd.ie/academic-integrity</a>
	National Framework for Qualifications:  National Framework of Qualifications   Quality and Qualifications Ireland (qqi.ie)
	Student Support Services: <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/students/supports-services/">https://www.tcd.ie/students/supports-services/</a>
	Student Services Booklet:  www.tcd.ie/students/assets/pdf/Student%20Services%20Booklet%20(web%2  Oversion).pdf
Student support	Senior Tutor & Tutorial Service <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/students/assets/pdf/Student%20Services%20Booklet%20(web%20version).pdf">www.tcd.ie/students/assets/pdf/Student%20Services%20Booklet%20(web%20version).pdf</a>
	Graduate Studies <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/graduatestudies/">https://www.tcd.ie/graduatestudies/</a>
	Mature Student Office <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/maturestudents/">https://www.tcd.ie/maturestudents/</a>
Co-curricular activities	Central Societies Committee: <a href="https://www.trinitysocieties.ie/">https://www.trinitysocieties.ie/</a>

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	DUCAC:  Dublin University Central Athletic Club - Trinity Sport - Trinity College Dublin  (tcd.ie)  Student Sport - Trinity Sport - Trinity College Dublin (tcd.ie)
Information on TCDSU, Including student representative structures	TCDSU https://www.tcdsu.org/
Emergency Procedure	In the event of an emergency, dial Security Services on extension 1999 Security Services provide a 24-hour service to the college community, 365 days a year. They are the liaison to the Fire, Garda and Ambulance services and all staff and students are advised to always telephone extension 1999.  (+353 1 896 1999) in case of an emergency.
	Should you require any emergency or rescue services on campus, you must contact Security Services. This includes chemical spills, personal injury or first aid assistance.  It is recommended that all students save at least one emergency contact in their phone under ICE (In Case of Emergency).

NOTE: All of the information contained in this booklet is accurate at time of publication. However, the Science Course Office reserves the right to modify information, dates and times as necessary. Students will be notified of any changes via e-mail and the Science webpage.