

#TCD Freshers

January 2025

**Welcome
to Trinity
College
Dublin**





Today's session

- Student Supports and Services
- Practical Navigator
- Being a Trinity Student

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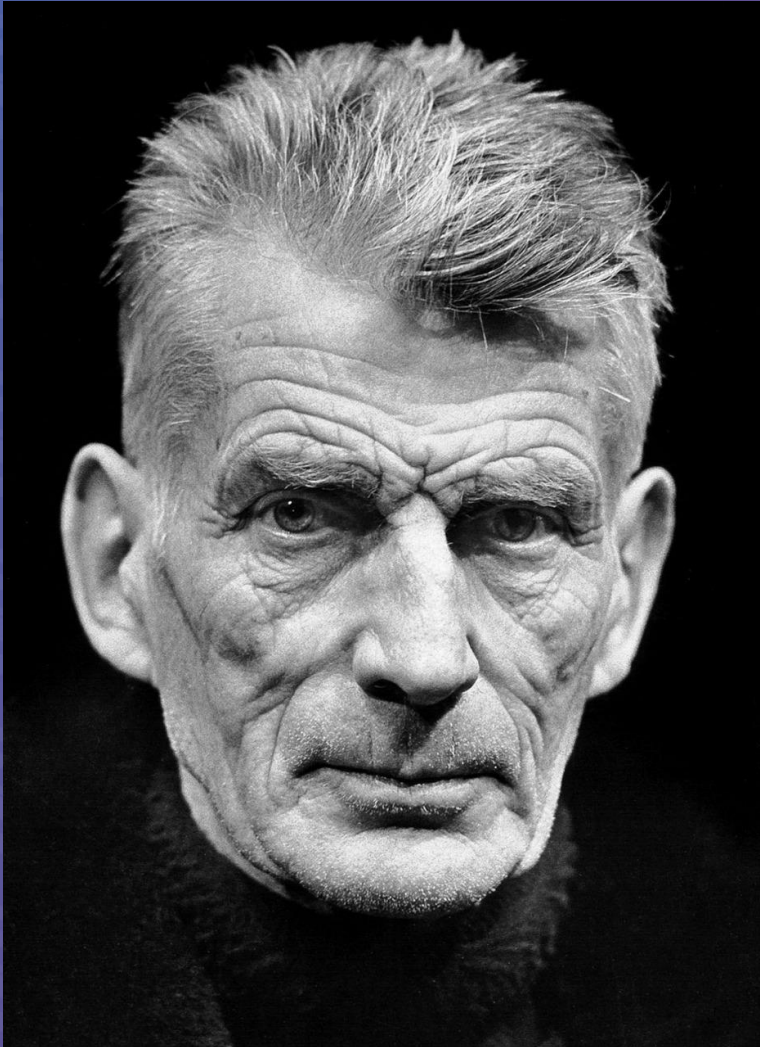
Student Supports & Services

TRINITY IN NUMBERS



- 433 years
- 47 Acres
- 3 Faculties
- 25 Schools
- 3635 Staff
- 14684 UG
- 5588 PG

FAMOUS STUDENTS



THE ROLE OF A TUTOR



- Please contact International.Tutor@tcd.ie if you need Tutor support
- Your Tutor is a staff member who looks after you, not your grades.
- They are researchers, teachers and professional staff who VOLUNTEER
- They can provide personal and academic advice
- Advocate. Adviser. On your side.
- Your relationship with your Tutor is entirely confidential

**WHAT
DOES
YOUR
TUTOR
DO?**



SERVICES AT YOUR DISPOSAL



Student Supports & Services

- Academic Support
- Health and Wellbeing Support
- Student Life
- Administrative support

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STUDENT COUNSELLING SERVICES



- One-to-one counselling
- SilverCloud programmes
- Wellbeing Workshops
- Peer Support

tcd.ie/student_counselling

STUDENT LEARNING DEVELOPMENT



- Free workshops
- Online Resources
- Academic Skills Blackboard module

student-learning.tcd.ie

COLLEGE HEALTH



- Free for students
- Doctors, nurses, physiotherapy
- Vaccinations

tcd.ie/collegehealth

DISABILITY SERVICE



- Academic Support
- Assistive Technology
- Exam Accommodations
(apply on my.tcd.ie)

tcd.ie/disability

ACADEMIC, HEALTH & WELLBEING SUPPORT

SPORTS CLUBS

- Over 50 clubs
- Aikido to Windsurfing
- Training, competition and casual

tcd.ie/sport/student-sport

VOLUNTEERING

- Volunteer opportunities
- Dean's Awards for Volunteering
- Registrar's Award for Civic Engagement

tcd.ie/civicengagement

SPORT CENTRE

- Full gym including climbing wall and swimming pool
- Fitness classes
- Trinity Sport App

tcd.ie/sport

STUDENT SOCIETIES

- Over 120 societies
- Afro-Caribbean to Zoological
- Social events

trinitysocietieshub.com

STAYING CONNECTED AND HEALTHY

STUDENTS' UNION

- Represent you to College
- Provide support to students
- Organise social events

tcdsu.org

CHAPLAINCY

- 3 Chaplains – Roman Catholic and Church of Ireland
- Prayer groups, services
- Links to other faith groups

tcd.ie/chaplaincy

CAREERS ADVISORY SERVICE

- MyCareer
- CV and Interview Clinics
- Career Fairs

tcd.ie/careers

GLOBAL ROOM

- International Student Support Hub
- Meet Global Student Ambassadors
- Celebrate International-themed events

[@tcdglobalroom](https://twitter.com/tcdglobalroom)

ACADEMIC REGISTRY



Academic.registry@tcd.ie



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Documents Issued by AR

ISD Registration Letters

- ✓ Proof of Registration
- ✓ Proof of Address

Documents take 2 working days to issue

(Or up to 4 working days at busiest periods)

Documents accepted by AR

- ✓ Module enrolment forms
- ✓ FRS 2 Forms (prior 3rd level education)
- ✓ Social Welfare Forms
- ✓ Garda Vetting (except Nursing)

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

GETTING STARTED WITH IT



INTRO
VIDEO

8 Things You Need to Know to Get Started

1. Getting Connected
2. Using Blackboard
3. Your Online Lectures and Tutorials
4. Using Software
5. Staying in Touch
6. Finding Your Way
7. Purchasing Hardware
8. Getting Help Online

www.tcd.ie/itservices/students/orientation

A photograph of four young adults sitting on wide stone steps in front of a classical building with stone walls and windows. From left to right: a man in a light blue shirt and glasses, a woman in a yellow dress, a man in a pink patterned shirt, and a woman in an orange sweater. They are all smiling and appear to be in conversation. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

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LECTURES AND CLASSES

- Do attend your classes: It's essential to keep up.
- Remember to keep notes, it's good for your brain.
- Store them safely. Have back ups.
- Get used to Blackboard and use your college email.



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EXAMINATIONS AND CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

- Examinations at the end of the semester
- **Do not** book travel home until you have seen your examination timetable
- Do prepare
- Keep up to date with continuous assessment

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BE ORIGINAL

Avoid Plagiarism.

Do not copy.

Turnitin.

You could get into
bother!



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Practical Navigator

ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

Erasmus Student Network TCD

ESN TCD is a non-profit international student organisation. Their mission is to represent international students, thus providing opportunities for cultural understanding and self-development under the principle of **Students Helping Students**.



Scan here to **pre-register** as a **member**, follow them on social media etc.

Get your **ESNcard** from them! With the ESNcard, you will enjoy plenty of discounts on events, trips, flights (10% off Ryanair + free 20kg luggage), housing, sport, food, bars, etc.- all around the world.



@esntcd

TOP 10 REASONS TO GET A BUDDY



- 1** Have a smooth & stress-free arrival in the city of your exchange 
- 2** Your buddy can help you finding a place to stay and avoid scammers! 
- 3** Your buddy will be the first familiar face in a new, unknown city 
- 4** It's a great way to get to know and make friends with the local students 
- 5** You'll have somebody to show you all the secret gems of the city! 
- 6** Confusion at the university? Your buddy can be your hero! 
- 7** You'll improve your language skills by talking with a local - your buddy! 
- 8** Need help with finding a doctor/ hair salon etc.? Your buddy will help 
- 9** Your buddy can translate things for you when online translators mess it up 
- 10** Your buddy will be your guide during your Erasmus... but also a lifelong friend 

ESN BUDDIES

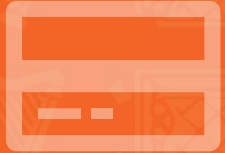


WHERE TO EAT

YOUR T-CARD



Your student ID card



Cashless payment system on campus



Shop and save with student discounts!

[TCARD.TCD.IE](https://tcard.tcd.ie)



The Buttery



The Dining Hall



SU Shop



Aras an Phiarsaigh



The Perch



Academic Registry



Sport Centre



Students' Union



St James' Hospital



Tallaght Hospital

SUSTAINABILITY

TCD Sustainable Food & Drinks
Location of Sustainable Food and Drinks on campus.
5,407 views
All changes saved in Drive

Add layer Share Preview

- The Pavilion Bar & Grill
- JCR Café
- Lavazza at Biosciences
- SU shop House 6
- SU Shop Hamilton
- Science Gallery Cafe
- KC Peaches Nassau Street
- Cornucopia
- Temple Bar Farmers' Market
- Blazing Salads
- Coppinger Row Market
- Docklands Food Market
- The Supernatural Food Mark...
- Moore Street Market
- Merrion Square Lunchtime M...
- Sprout & Co
- Zambrero Mexican
- The Runner Bean

Our Approach → Resources Involved → Sustainability Initiatives → Research and Education → Contact →

tcd.ie/provost/sustainability/

Maps, guides, water stations, toilets, and much, much more

KEEPING A **SUSTAINABLE** HOUSE

Unplug

Unplug appliances when not in use

Plug them into power strips and turn off at the wall

Unplug kitchen appliances too

Lights

Turn off lights when not in use

Open the blinds!

Use fluorescent bulbs (you'll save some money too!)

Recycling

Sort your rubbish and recycle appropriately

A requirement on campus

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How to be a Trinity student



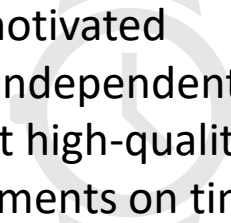
How to be a Trinity student

- Top tips for successful assignments
- Independent research
- Using the Library

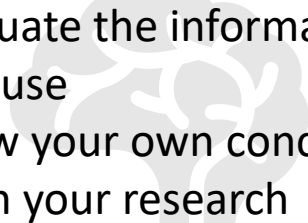
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TOP TIPS FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

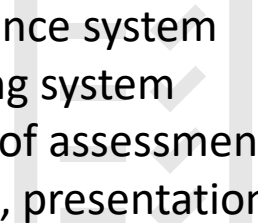
TIME MANAGEMENT

- Stay motivated
 - Work independently
 - Submit high-quality assignments on time
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DEVELOP CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS

- Evaluate the information you use
 - Draw your own conclusions from your research
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UNDERSTAND WHAT YOUR LECTURER IS LOOKING FOR

- Reference system
 - Grading system
 - Types of assessment (reports, essays, presentations, exams)
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AS AN INDEPENDENT RESEARCHER, YOU NEED TO KNOW HOW TO...

1

Locate information that is
relevant and reliable



2

Critically engage with
literature and make your
own contribution



3

Use information in an
ethical manner – when you
reference someone else's
work, make sure you
acknowledge them



Welcome!
to the largest library
in Ireland. We look
forward to helping
you achieve and
succeed



www.tcd.ie/library

IRELAND'S LARGEST RESEARCH LIBRARY

7 million physical items

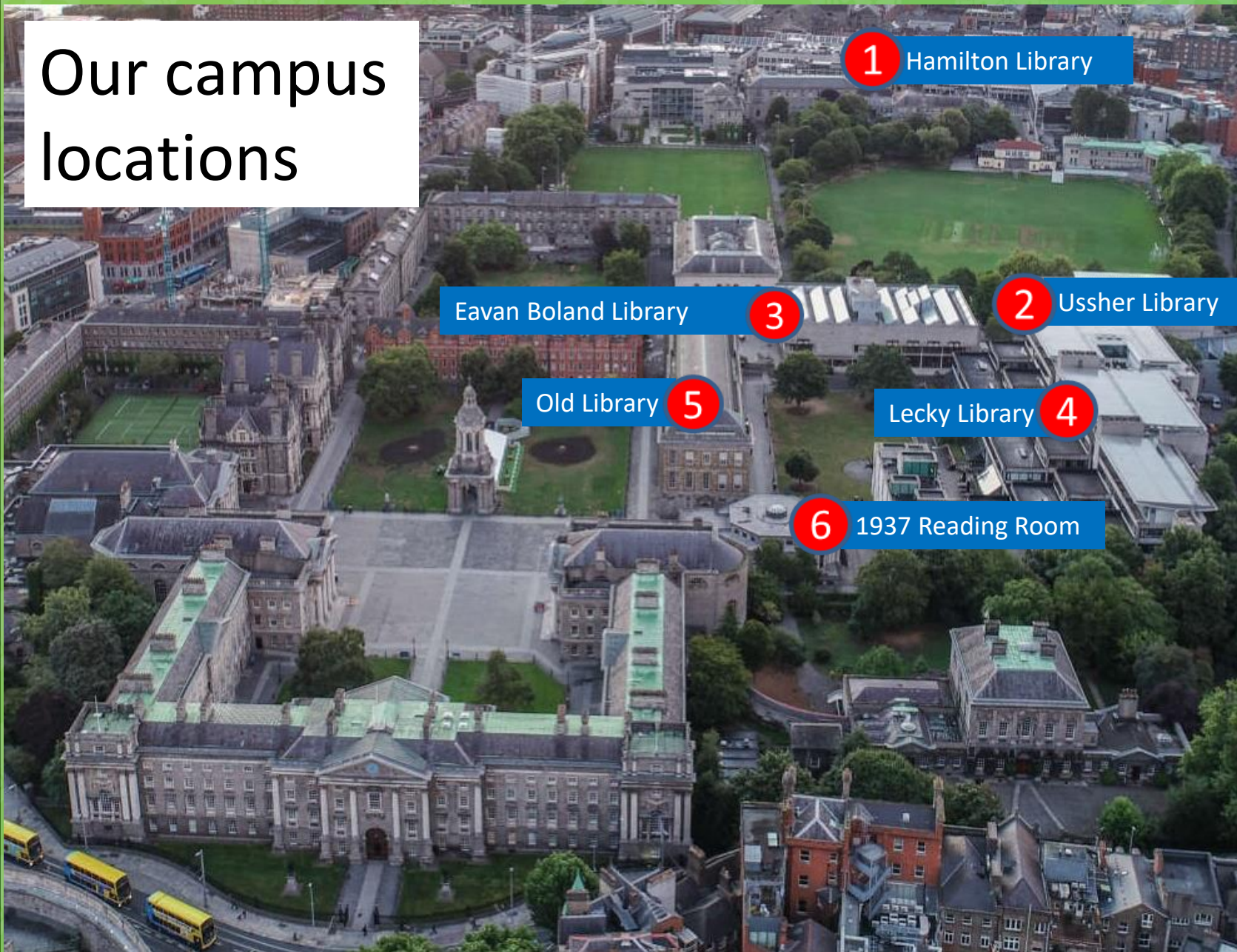
1,300,000 e-books

150,000 e-journals

3000+ study spaces
including dedicated
sensory spaces



Our campus locations



1 Hamilton Library

Computer Science
Engineering
Health Sciences
Mathematics
Natural Sciences
Statistics

1

Business Studies
Geography
Geology
Economics
Education
Politics
Social Studies

4

Eavan Boland Library

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2 Ussher Library

2

The Old Library
– well worth a visit!

5

Old Library

5

Lecky Library

4

Ancient History
Drama & Film Studies
English
History of Art
Languages
Map Library
Music
Religion
Philosophy
Research Collections –
Manuscripts &
Archives; Early Printed
Books

24-hours
Postgraduate
Study Space

6

6 1937 Reading Room

Off Campus: Santry
Book Repository

Offsite Storage -
request items via *Click
and Collect*

History
Law
Nursing & Midwifery
Official Publications (IE)
Psychology

3

Off Campus: John
Stearne Medical
Library, St James's
Hospital

VISIT US ONLINE AT TCD.IE/LIBRARY

The screenshot displays the library's website with a blue header containing navigation links: Menu, Home, Search Collections, Using the Library, About the Library, Support & Training, Events, Contact, and Gaeilge. Below the header is a search bar with tabs for 'Stella Search', 'Books & More', 'Journals', and 'Digital Collections'. The search input field contains the text 'Search for articles, books, e-books, journal titles, and more' and a blue 'GO' button. To the right of the search bar are two dark grey buttons: 'My Library Account' and 'Book a Group Study Room', each with a right-pointing arrow icon. Below these elements is a large image of a library interior featuring two blue armchairs. A woman is seated in the right chair using a laptop. A dark grey text box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text 'Library Sensory Spaces' and a paragraph describing the TCD Sense Project. Below the text box is a navigation bar with five dots and a right-pointing arrow. To the right of the image is a vertical list of menu items, each with a right-pointing arrow icon: Admissions, Academic Integrity, Borrowing & Renewing, Databases & E-Books, EndNote, FAQs, MyReadingList@TCD, Off Campus Access, Subject Librarians, and Welcome to the Library.

The Library of Trinity College Dublin

Menu Home Search Collections Using the Library About the Library Support & Training Events Contact Gaeilge

Stella Search Books & More Journals Digital Collections

Search for articles, books, e-books, journal titles, and more GO

My Library Account →

Book a Group Study Room →

Library Sensory Spaces

The TCD Sense Project has developed a variety of learning environments within the Library designed for quiet study, rest and relaxation.
[Locations and map links](#)

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USING THE LIBRARY

WELCOME TO THE LIBRARY WEBPAGE: tcd.ie/library/new-students



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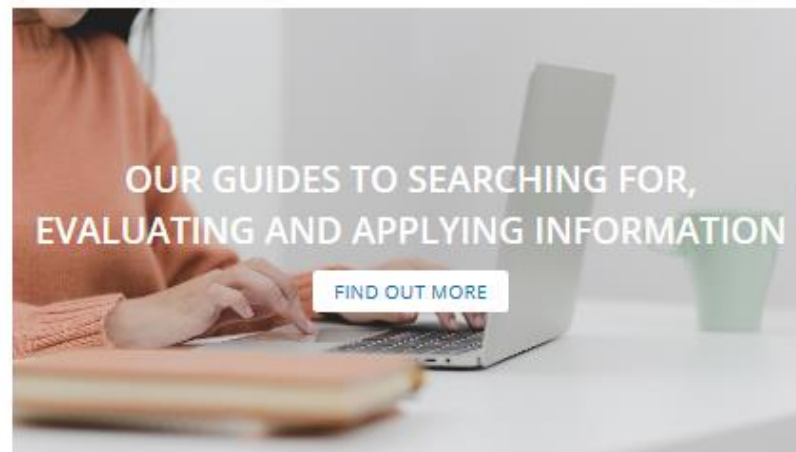
The Library of Trinity College Dublin is the largest library in the country.

We look forward to helping you achieve and succeed. Library staff are here to support your studies and continued academic learning, providing you with the skills and tools to make the most of your time

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Top Tips for Undergraduates >

Top Tips for Postgraduates >



USING THE LIBRARY

CURRENT UNDERGRADUATE 24-HOUR SPACES

KINSELLA HALL

- Open 7 days a week to all students
- Enter via former Berkeley Library when Library Complex is open
- Enter via external door when Library complex is closed



USING THE LIBRARY

FINDING A PRINT BOOK ON THE SHELF



Use Search Stella (our catalogue) to identify where your book is located

You can borrow 10 books at a time for up to 28 days (and renew online)

Codes (shelfmarks) are assigned to books to help you locate them on the shelves

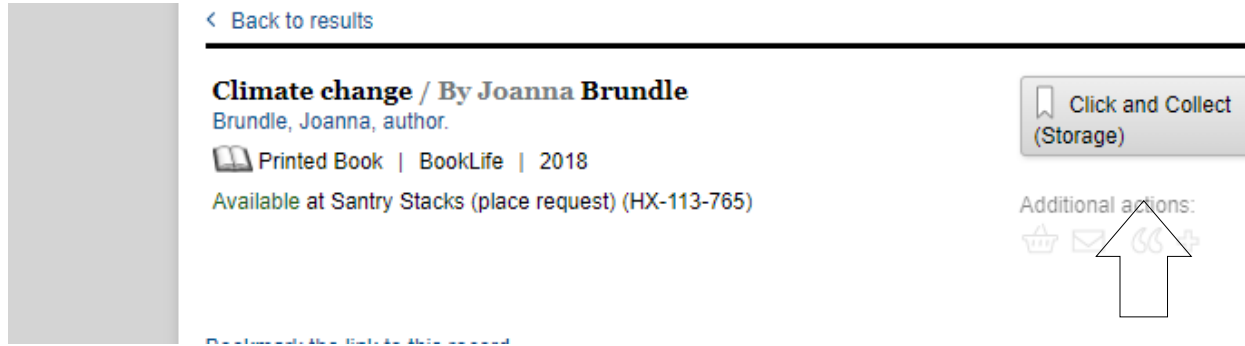
The code is visible on a white shelf mark label attached to the cover of the book

90% of our collection is in storage (on and offsite) - request these items through *Stella Search* using *Click and Collect*

USING THE LIBRARY

REQUESTING AN ITEM HELD IN STORAGE


The Stella Search entry indicates if your book is held in storage:



The screenshot shows a library search result for the book "Climate change" by Joanna Brundle. The entry includes the title, author, format (Printed Book), and year (2018). It also indicates the book is available at Santry Stacks and provides a call number (HX-113-765). A button labeled "Click and Collect (Storage)" is visible, along with a section for "Additional actions" containing icons for a shopping cart, email, and social media sharing.

< [Back to results](#)




Climate change / By Joanna Brundle
Brundle, Joanna, author.

 Printed Book | BookLife | 2018

Available at Santry Stacks (place request) (HX-113-765)

[Click and Collect \(Storage\)](#)

Additional actions:

- **Ussher Stacks (within 24 hours, often much sooner)**
- **Santry and External Store (generally next weekday)**
- Other materials must be requested using a call slip (ask at our service desks)
- All material can be requested to the reading room for consultation and most can be borrowed

LIBRARY HITS



Google 'library hits tcd'

- Demystifying AI & Applying AI – two conversations around AI
- Academic Integrity
- Essay Writing
- Reading & Note-Taking
- Reading, Thinking & Writing Critically
- Smart Searching
- Defining Your Research Question
- Research & your Literature Review
- Beginners' Guide to EndNote

See videos of previous sessions now and watch out for emails listing new live classes later in the year

USING THE LIBRARY

Your Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Library Team



Isolde Harpur

Asian Studies; English;
German; Linguistic, Speech
& Communication Sciences;
Russian & Slavonic Studies



David Macnaughton

Business; Economics;
Engineering;
Mathematics;
Philosophy; Political
Science; Sociology



Helen Bradley

Drama & Theatre
Studies;
European Studies;
Film Studies



Caroline Montgomery

French; Irish; Italian; Near
& Middle Eastern Studies;
Religion; Social Work &
Social Policy; Spanish

USING THE LIBRARY



Seán Hughes

Classics; Gender &
Women's Studies;
History; History of
Art & Architecture



Geraldine Fitzgerald
Education; Psychology



Terry McDonald
Law



Roy Stanley
Music



Dererca Nolan
Support Team Leader
at the Library
Complex

Your STEM and Health Science Library Team



Jessica Leonard
Genetics;
Geology;
Nursing &
Midwifery



Jessica Eustace-Cook
Nursing & Midwifery;
SFI Research Support



David Mockler
Medicine at St
James's Hospital



Grace McDonald
Support Team
Leader at St
James's Hospital

USING THE LIBRARY



Andrew Jones
Computer Science;
Dental Science;
Neuroscience (PG);
Pharmacy; Statistics



Margaret Rooney
Biochemistry; Biology;
Botany; Environmental
Science; Geography;
Immunology; Microbiology;
Molecular Medicine;
Neuroscience (UG);
Zoology



Greg Sheaf
Chemistry; Physics



Donncha O'Donnchadha
Support Team Leader
at the Hamilton Library

USING THE LIBRARY

TOP TIPS

- ✓ CONTACT your Subject Librarian for expert searching advice
- ✓ ATTEND a Library HITS class and brush up on your research skills
- ✓ SEARCH for books on your reading list or any topic using *Stella Search* (catalogue)
- ✓ INSTALL Lean Library to find the full text of articles via Google or Google Scholar
- ✓ BORROW up to 10 books at a time
- ✓ REQUEST books from storage using the *Click and Collect* service in *Stella Search*
- ✓ USE the Self-Service Kiosks to borrow or return books
- ✓ PRINT/COPY/SCAN on any printer (service managed by Datapac). ID code = your student number; PIN e-mailed when you register with TCD
- ✓ ATTEND a Library tour!

IF YOU'RE STUCK, JUST ASK:



library@tcd.ie



@tcdlibrary

tcd.ie/library

Use *Chat with us* on the Library website
....or visit us in the Library!

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MORE INFORMATION, GUIDANCE AND THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

[https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/
visiting-exchange/sessions.php](https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/visiting-exchange/sessions.php)





Thank you and good luck!

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