



Trinity College Dublin
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath
The University of Dublin

Trinity Research Doctorate (**Sanctuary**) Award 2025-26

SUPERVISOR FORM

Applications are sought for **1** Trinity Research Doctorate (Sanctuary) Award.

Part 1 – for admission to PhD Register

Applicants for a Trinity Research Doctorate (Sanctuary) Award in 2025-26 must also apply for admission to the full-time PhD register in Trinity via my.tcd.ie as normal.

Part 2 – for the Trinity Research Doctorate Award

Once applicants have an offer for admission to the full-time PhD register at Trinity, the following is required:

- a) the student applicant must complete the application form for the Trinity Research Doctorate (Sanctuary) Award, and
- b) the named **Principal Supervisor** must complete **this** required form **no later than Tuesday, April 8, 2025**.

Eligibility

Applicants to the Trinity Research Doctorate Award for a student of sanctuary must satisfy the following eligibility criteria:

1. Applicants **must** be residing in the Republic of Ireland.
2. Applicants **must** currently be in the international protection system, temporary protection, seeking asylum, or have refugee status or permission to remain in Ireland on humanitarian grounds.
3. Applicants **must** receive an unconditional offer for admission by the deadline of April 1, 2025 to the full-time PhD register in Trinity College Dublin with support of the intended Principal Supervisor. This implies that applicants will have met all academic requirements including English language requirements.

Failing to meet any of the above criteria will result in the application not being considered.

* Required

* This form will record your name, please fill your name.

Evaluation

Process

Each completed application will be reviewed and scored by internal cross-faculty reviewers. Thereafter, short-listed applications will be evaluated, on the basis of the full evaluation criteria, by a panel, chaired by the Dean of Graduate Studies, to include the Chair of the University of Sanctuary Steering Committee, an academic representative from each Faculty, and representatives of Trinity Global, and the Irish Refugee Council (or similar).

Shortlisted applicants may be invited to interview if deemed necessary by the Evaluation Panel. The decision as to which application will receive the Trinity Research Doctorate (Sanctuary) Award is at the sole discretion of the Evaluation Panel whose decision on the matter is final.

All applicants will be contacted by the Dean of Graduate Studies on completion of the evaluation process.

Note: unsuccessful applicants to the Trinity Research Doctorate (Sanctuary) Award, who are in receipt of an unconditional offer, will remain eligible for admission to the PhD register and may be considered for other available awards (as appropriate).

Criteria

The applications will be scored out of a total of **100 marks** and allocated across four categories as follows:

- **30 marks** for the quality of research design and methodology.
- **25 marks** for research impact including overall significance and degree of innovation of the project. Note: It will be a requirement to evidence consideration has been given to the project's contribution towards enhancing our local and global social and sustainability ambitions. This element will not be weighted but is a mandatory requirement in each application.
- **25 marks** for evidence of support of the supervisor and appropriate supervision supports for the applicant.
- **20 marks** for evidence related to the impact of an award on the student's research trajectory.

SUPERVISOR DETAILS

1. **Title and Grade:** *

2. **Full name:** *

3. **Name of School:** *

4. **ORCID Details:** *

SUPERVISOR EXPERIENCE

5. How many MSc/MLitt students have you supervised to completion? *

6. How many doctoral students have successfully completed their degrees under your supervision? *

7. How many PhD researchers do you currently supervise or mentor? *

8. How many PostDoc researchers do you currently supervise or mentor? *

9. How many Research Fellow researchers do you currently supervise or mentor? *

RECOMMENDATION

10. I know the 2025-26 TRDA Sanctuary applicant *

- Very well
- Well
- Slightly

11. What is your evaluation of the research potential of this applicant compared to other PhD applicant candidates that you have interacted with over the past five years? *

- Not as strong as most other applicants
- About average
- Compares favourably
- Would rank in the top 5% of applicants I have engaged with
- Exceptional: would rank in the top 1% of applicants

12. Please provide details as to why you decided to support this particular applicant in their application to the Student of Sanctuary TRDA: (max 250 words) *

RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT AND SUPPORT

13. Please provide (a) details about the training and career development opportunities that will be provided to the applicant (b) confirmation that the necessary resources, e.g. books, equipment, lab resources etc. are available to progress the research and (c) confirmation that the applicant will receive assistance to help them integrate into their new environment: (max 250 words) *

SUPERVISOR DECLARATION

Please note that while an academic supervisor is permitted to support more than one award holder under each TRDA scheme, this should not be used as a means for supervisors to form research teams. Each application must be in support of an individual and original project, and distinctively different to other applications which may be received under the same academic supervisor.

14. **Are you supporting more than one application across the Trinity Research Doctorate Award schemes? ***

Yes

No

15. **If you have answered 'yes' above, please outline how the projects are individual and original and distinctively different to other applications supported by you: (max 250 words) ***

16. **I hereby declare that I have read and accept the supervisor requirements for this award as set out on the Graduate Studies Website. ***

I agree

17. **Do you agree to supervise the applicant for the duration of their award should they be successful in the current funding competition? ***

I agree

18. **Do you agree to participate in the pilot evaluation of the Research Supervisor-Student Agreement? ***

I agree

19. **I confirm that the application is an individual and original project, written by the applicant, and distinctively different from other applications endorsed by me as the supervisor, or other application(s) funded to me (and/or my Team) by another funding source. ***

I agree

20. **I confirm that the information supplied in this supervisor form is correct and recognise that should it become apparent that any of the information provided is inaccurate or unverifiable with appropriate documentation, it will result in the application automatically being deemed ineligible:** *

I agree

21. **Terms and Conditions Acceptance** *

Data Use Statement:

We will use the information on this form to evaluate applications for a Trinity Research Doctorate Award in 2025-26. The data is confidential and its use will be restricted for the purposes of administering the Trinity Research Doctorate Award in 2025-26

Privacy Notice:

Trinity College respects your right to privacy and actively seeks to preserve the privacy rights of individuals who share personal data with the University. Any data which you provide for the purposes of the Trinity Research Doctorate Award in 2025-26 will be processed in compliance with data protection legislation, specifically the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016 ('GDPR') and Data Protection Acts 1988-2018.

The data we collect from you will be processed for the purposes of the Trinity Research Doctorate award only and processed fairly and lawfully in keeping with the principles of data protection as set out under Article 5 GDPR.

If you have any queries relating to the processing of your personal data for the purposes outlined above, you can contact the Postgraduate Renewal Programme at pgrenewal@tcd.ie.

Further information is available at <https://www.tcd.ie/privacy/>.

I hereby declare that the information provided is true and correct.

Yes

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