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# Go Global!

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### Agenda

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- Other Types of Mobility Options
- Things to Consider before Applying
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# **Overview: International Exchange and Erasmus**

### **International Exchange v. Erasmus+**

### **International Exchange**

- Study abroad at one of Trinity's partner universities <u>outside of Europe.</u>
- Applications for international exchange are managed by Trinity Global and are open to students in many Schools/Departments.
- Some schools have school-wide exchange partners outside of Europe. (ex. Business, Law)
- You can apply for a Global Mobility Bursary to receive funding for your time abroad.

### **Erasmus+**

- Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport <u>within</u> <u>Europe.</u>
- Applications are managed by <u>Trinity</u> <u>Schools/Departments</u> & students apply to their subject areas' Erasmus partner universities (with 3 exceptions: Coimbra, CHARM, ELAN)
- You are eligible to apply for an <u>Erasmus+ Grant</u>
- Erasmus+ allows for more opportunities for teaching and learning in a native language.

# Go Global Guide: International Exchange and Erasmus+

https://viewer.ipaper.io/trinity/trinity-go-global-guide



#### **Go Global Guide**

- The Go Global Guide is an excellent resource to explore your global mobility options, resources, timelines for applications, student testimonials and more!
- You can access the Go Global Guide on Trinity Global's Mobility website.

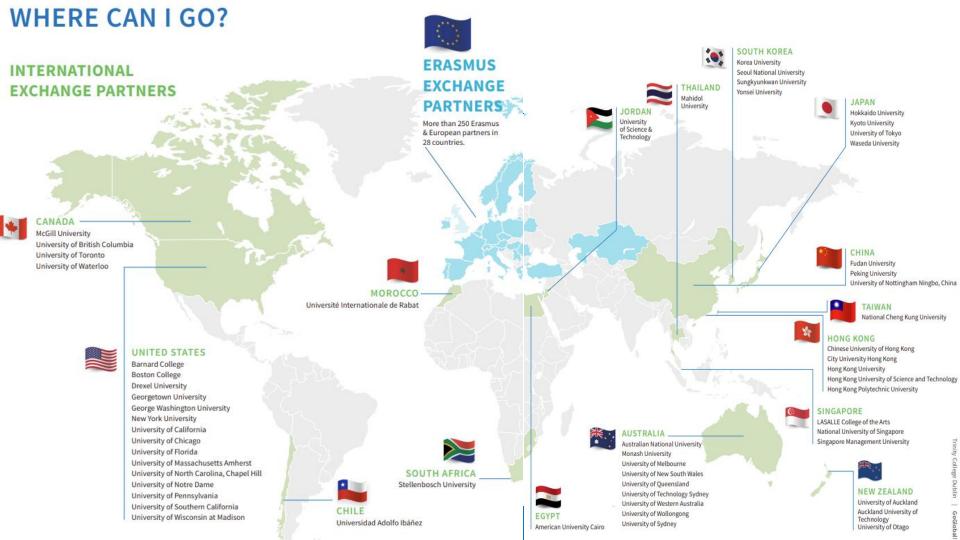


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# **International Exchange**





# **International Exchange: Where can I go?**

Trinity has over 60 partnerships worldwide. You can list up to six location preferences on your exchange application. You can apply to study at universities in the following countries:

- Australia
- Canada
- China
- Chile
- Egypt
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- Morocco

- New Zealand
- Singapore
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- United States of America

You can find a list of all the universities in each country on Trinity Global website.

### **International Exchange: Where can I go?**

#### www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/outbound/



### **International Exchange Programme: Competitiveness**

### **Highly Competitive**

- New York University
- University of Chicago
- Barnard College
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Sydney
- University of Melbourne
- McGill University
- Nanyang Technological University
- Georgetown University
- George Washington University

### **Moderately Competitive**

- Chinese University of Hong
   Kong
- Boston College
- National University of Singapore
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Toronto
- University of Florida
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- University of Queensland
- University of Western Australia

### Least Competitive

- Drexel University
- University of Nottingham, Ningbo
- National University of Singapore
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Wisconsin, Madison
- City University of Hong Kong
- University of British Columbia



### **International Exchange: Restrictions and Reminders**

Prior to submitting your application, all your selected international exchange locations **must be approved by your Academic Mobility Coordinator**.

Some universities have specific restrictions to note. This might impact your decision making when it comes to selecting your location preferences on your application. For example:

- University of Pennsylvania: Only open to students studying at UPenn's College of Arts and Sciences
- Drexel University: Can only pursue exchange during Hilary Term only, due to their academic calendar structure
- Barnard College: Women's college that enrols female students only. Hilary Term only.
- Mahidol University: Uniform required. Students must purchase a uniform upon arrival.
- Universities in China: Universities in China do not permit Chinese citizens to participate in the exchange programme.
- Universities in Canada: Per Canadian student visa regulations, students can only participate in exchange for one term, full year exchanges are not permitted.

*Visit the "Where Can I Go" page on the Global Mobility website for more details and a full list of restrictions.* 

### **International Exchange: University of California**

- University of California has <u>10 campuses</u>: Berkeley, San Diego, San Francisco, Irvine, Davis, Santa Cruz, Los Angeles, Riverside, Merced and Santa Barbara.
- If you receive an offer to apply for exchange at University of California, you will then apply to UC and note your top three campuses on your application.
- Please research a minimum of three UC campuses. Due to the demand at some of the more popular campuses and course availability, UC may place applicants at campuses other than their first choice. Explore all opportunities UC has to offer!
- The decision on your campus placement is determined by UC. After your application is reviewed by UC, you will be notified of your campus placement.
- Please keep this placement process in mind when considering University of California as an exchange location.

### **International Exchange: Restrictions**

Some students will be restricted in terms of where they can go whereas students in some School/Departments are taking modules that are easier to access across the world:

- Engineering Students: Can only go abroad for a **Full Year or Hilary Term**. Semester 1 only exchange is not permitted.
- **Computer Science Students:** Computer Science courses can be limited at certain partner universities due to the capacity to enrol exchange students and the popularity of the courses.
- Students taking single honours subjects such as **History, English Literature**, or **Mathematics** tend to have more options available as these subjects tend to be widely offered across the world and their academic programme is not as rigid.

Students studying **Computer Science** have previously gone to (sample list):

Students studying **Engineering** have previously gone to (sample list, confirm branch of engineering courses are available):

Engineering
University of California
University of Florida
University of California
University of Melbourne
University of New South Wales
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of Sydney
University of Wisconsin, Madison

Students taking **Global Business** have in the past gone to (sample list):

Global Business
University of Western Australia
Monash University
University of California
University of Melbourne
Chinese University of Hong Kong
University of Technology Sydney
Singapore Management University

#### BESS with a focus on Economics have gone to: BESS with a focus on Business have gone to:

Chinese University of Hong Kong City University of Hong Kong Drexel University McGill University University of Florida University of Pennsylvania University of Waterloo University of Western Australia Yonsei University University of Wisconsin Monash University Seoul National University Sungkyunkwan University University of Melbourne University of Southern California

Stellenbosch UniversitySungkyunkwan UniversityUniversity of AucklandUniversity of FloridaUniversity of FloridaUniversity of Hong KongUniversity of MelbourneUniversity of QueenslandUniversity of Southern CaliforniaUniversity of WaterlooUniversity of Western AustraliaYonsei University



**BESS** with a focus on **Political Science** have gone to:

Boston College
McGill University
Singapore Management University
University of Auckland
University of North Carolina
University of Wisconsin

BESS with a focus on Sociology have gone to:

Drexel University

Stellenbosch University



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Single Honours Law Students can apply to:

Australian National University (Canberra)

National University of Singapore

University of Queensland

University of Stellenbosch

City University of Hong Kong

Singapore Management University

English Studies students have gone to:

University of Melbourne

Barnard College

University of California

University of Southern California

University of Waterloo

University of Chicago

**Theoretical Physics** students have gone to:

University of California

Waseda University

University of North Carolina



Students studying **MSISS** have gone to:

#### MSISS

**Boston College** 

University of Auckland

University of California

University of Florida

University of Sydney

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

#### **Drexel University**

ne to: Students taking **Mathematics** have gone to:

### Mathematics

University of California

University of Pennsylvania

University of Tokyo

University of Chicago

McGill University



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### International Exchange: How to Select your Exchange Location Preferences

**Step 1:** Review and research available host universities and confirm course availability. Can select up to 6 host university preferences.

Step 2: Attend Information Sessions. Discuss your exchange host university preferences with your Academic Mobility Coordinator and receive approval. Step 3: Provide your host university preferences on your application to Trinity Global and submit by the Nov. 15th deadline.

# Accepting an Offer from Trinity Global for International Exchange

- Usually approx. three offer rounds will take place with <u>the majority of offers issued in the first round</u>. Places that become available will then be offered in the second round and so on.
- While we would love to be able to offer every student their first preference, this is not possible, and **the majority of** students will not be offered their first choice due to available exchange places at partner universities.

Scenario 1: Sara applies for International Exchange and lists a preference of four universities in her application. During the first round, she is offered Monash University. This is her third choice. If Sara accepts this offer, **she will not be offered any other places in subsequent rounds** but it means that she will get to go on exchange. She decides that she would prefer to hold out in hopes of being offered her first preference, NYU, so she rejects the offer to Monash University. In the second round, Sara is not offered anything. In the third round, she is offered Kyoto University which is her fourth preference. She accepts as she has always wanted to go to Japan but she wonders if she should have accepted her first round offer...



# Accepting an Offer from Trinity Global for International Exchange – Student Testimonial

Audrey Brown, PPES 2025: When first applying for International Exchange, I hoped to attend the University of Melbourne, in Australia. During the first round, I received an offer from Yonsei University in South Korea. I knew very little about the university or country but decided to do some research before rejecting and trying for Melbourne again in round two. After emailing with Trinity students who had attended Yonsei in previous years, I decided to accept the offer after hearing about their experiences. I think it is important to remain open to the prospect that you may not get your first offer, and find comfort in the fact that many students share a similar experience, and still have a wonderful time on exchange.



# A Word of Caution...

When it comes to deciding whether to accept an offer or not, it is worth bearing the following scenario in mind:

Scenario 2: Sam has applied for International Exchange and has listed five universities for exchange location preferences on his application. When the first round is issued, he is offered University of Florida, his fifth choice. Sam isn't happy with this and decides he wants to wait to see if he receives a better offer. He rejects University of Florida. Sam is not offered anything in the second round. The third and final rounds are issued, and he does not receive another offer because all his other preferences are full. Sam does not get to go on exchange.





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### **Erasmus+**



### Erasmus + Where can I go?

Available destinations vary by school

### **Over 200 partner universities**

- Austria
- Belgium
- Cyprus
- Czechia
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Iceland

- Italy
- Lithuania
- Malta
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Spain
- Sweden
- The Netherlands
- Turkey
- UK & Switzerland\*



### Erasmus + Where can I go?

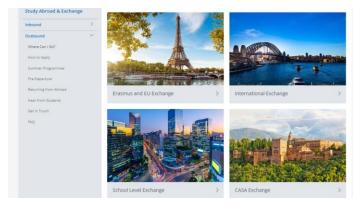
- Attend your departmental information sessions, if applicable
- Department Coordinator contacts and destinations can be viewed on the online Erasmus Destinations List. Don't forget to check your School/Department webpages for updated information!
- Note: Some TCD departments' participate in Erasmus traineeships (placements and/or research) often in lieu of a study based experience.





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# **Other mobility options**



### **College Wide Erasmus+**

- Trinity is a part of some networks that offer Erasmus+ exchanges not tied to a particular TCD School/Department
- **CHARM/Coimbra Group** exchange network: Trinity Global. View the fact sheet online for more information.
  - Apply for these programmes via the college wide, international exchange application.
- **ELAN** (European Liberal Arts Network): Managed by Dr David Ditchburn, School of Histories and Humanities
  - Faculty of Arts students only









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### **Finances**



### **International Exchange: Global Mobility Bursary**

- Students going on an international exchange are eligible to apply for a Global Mobility Bursary.
- This is a separate application form sent to the eligible cohort by Trinity Global.
- Competitive application process
- Typically, bursaries are between 500-1000 euro.
- Students on SUSI grants are prioritised for this funding.

# **Erasmus+: Grant for Study**

Funding dependent on student demand – not guaranteed

#### €385 per month in 24/25 Switzerland Swiss-European Mobility Programme (SEMP) Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, funding (approx. €400) Norway, Sweden Green travel: financial incentive + up to four funded travel €330 per month in 24/25 days Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, €30-80 in case of travel support or €50 on top of mobility France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, grant Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, North Macedonia, Turkey

All amounts are subject to change

€150 per month top-up for trainees

Funding for mobility to other countries is possible (max. 20% of overall budget)

Funding for UK exchanges is not available through Erasmus+.

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#### Historically students in receipt of SUSI grants (national criteria)

- SUSI & BTEA grant is still provided while on Erasmus
- €250/pm top-up <u>may</u> be allocated if the mobility is mandatory (dependent on adequate funding being allocated to Trinity by HEA and European Commission). The Global Mobility Team provides more information on this as it is made available by the HEA/European Commission.
- Extra financial support is also available to students with a disability who may require specific services while abroad.



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# Considerations



# **Application requirements**

#### Grade requirement

- College requirement is that students must have a minimum grade of 2:2.
   Please note: this is a minimum requirement and the process is highly competitive.
- Some Schools/Departments may require 2:1

### Language requirement

- Typically a B2 in the language of instruction is required
- Erasmus+ Language support & placement test available through <u>EU 'Online</u> <u>Linguistics Support'</u>

# **Academic Considerations**

Your study abroad semester/year counts toward your final Trinity grade. You will create a learning agreement with pre-approved modules that you can take at the host university to satisfy your Trinity course requirements.

#### **Course load requirements:**

- Full Year: 60 ECTS / 1 Semester: 30 ECTS. Assessed on 45 or 20
- Your modules <u>must</u> be approved by your academic coordinator
- Do not register for a module without their approval
- Ensure you are taking the correct amount of credits (IN LINE WITH PATHWAY)
- The Learning Agreement must be signed before you begin your exchange
- Beware! Some universities do not allow you to change your course choices

### **Accommodation & Visas**

- Remember: Housing is not guaranteed by the majority of universities. Most will provide you with advice on how to find suitable housing but you will ultimately be responsible for finding and financing your own accommodation and travel.
- The cost of accommodation varies significantly research this carefully.
- Visas can take time and money to apply for, please consider this if you are going on an international exchange or a non-European citizen going on an Erasmus exchange.

# **Disability supports & access**



- <u>Askds@tcd.ie</u> reference Erasmus
- Get in touch with your DS Officer about going abroad.
- Online checklist
- Inclusivemobility.eu

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SUPPORT & RESOURCES / ERASMUS DISABILITY SUPPORTS

# Participation in the Erasmus programme by disabled students- both inbound and outbound

Students who have secured reasonable accommodation with the Disability Service who are going on Erasmus- both inbound and outbound should contact their

# Budgeting

- Accommodation
- Travel
- Food & Transportation
- Visa expenses
- Health & Travel insurance
- Academic Supplies
- Entertainment/social expenses
- Trinity College fees (NOT host university fees)

Remember: Students should thoroughly research the host country cost of living

Note: The Erasmus Grant and Global Mobility Bursary are distributed *after* arrival in host country. You should not factor these amounts into your initial budget.

### **Diversity and Safety**

- Consider doing some research into your host country; customs, attitudes, laws etc.
- You might want to explore LGBTQ+ travel guides, talk with LGBTQ+ friends or colleagues who have visited the region/area before
- Research the laws of your host country regarding LGBTQ+ issues and expressions of LGBTQ+ identity.
- Try to carry out your research when travelling abroad outside your country of exchange i.e. to neighbouring countries attitudes and legal context may be different
- Get in touch with the host university to see if they have any recommendations or suggestions for campus resources once you have been accepted.
- •<u>https://erasmusgeneration.org/</u>Erasmus Generation: Cost of Living, Rainbow Index, Quality of Life
- •Resources from Diversity Abroad: https://www.beglobalii.com/articles

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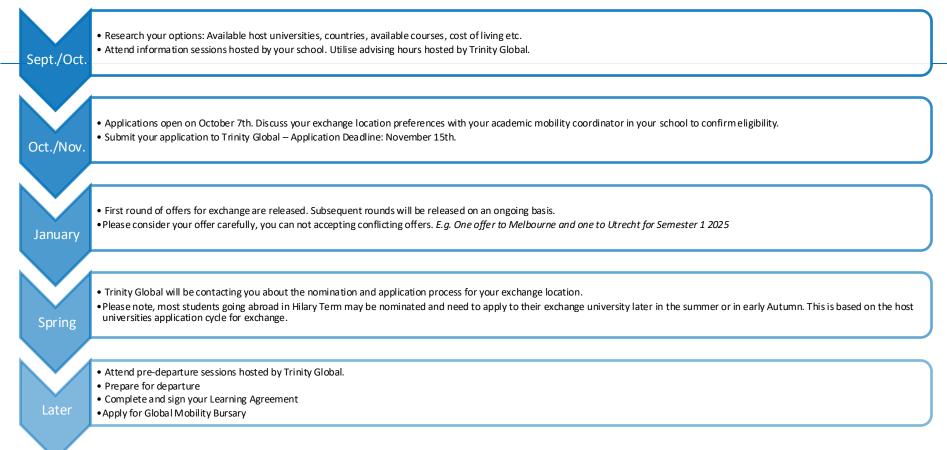
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# **Next Steps**



#### **International Exchange: Next steps**



### **International Exchange: Timeline**

Applications Open Monday, October 7th

Deadline for applications: Friday, November 15th

Offers: First round offers sent Wednesday, January 8th

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# **The Central Application Form**

- The Central Application Form will be made available on the following website: <u>https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/outbound</u>
- Select the universities you wish to apply for ranked in preference. Only select universities you are sure you wish to attend as you could be offered <u>any</u> of your preferences. This is a very competitive programme.
- You will be asked to write a short personal statement. In the personal statement, you will have to outline why you believe your top choices are the best academic and personal fit.
- Multiple rounds of offers may be involved. You must accept or reject the offer within the specified time period or it will be offered to another student.
- <u>Please Note: Your School may have school-specific requirements to apply. Please consult your</u> <u>school coordinator for further information</u>

# **Helpful Application Tips and Reminders**

Spaces are limited at exchange partners and locations are competitive. Trinity Global cannot guarantee you will be offered your preference. We will have 3+ rounds of offers for exchange locations. It is the student's responsibility to respond to the offer prior to the deadline.



Once you have accepted your offer, you will be notified of the next steps to be nominated to the host university and submit your application as an incoming exchange student.



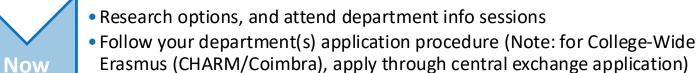
For Joint Honours or Major/Minor students; make sure to email all academic coordinators relevant to your degree to ensure you fulfil all requirements to continue in your program at Trinity.



List of Academic Mobility Coordinators per Program/Department : https://www.tcd.ie/study/study-abroad/outbound/apply/apply-international.php



### **Erasmus+: Next Steps**



Receive placement decision from school, and accept or reject offer
Trinity nominates you to partner university (later for Hilary Term exchange)
Complete host university application form (later for Hilary Term exchange)

- Organise grant documentation (Insurance, Erasmus Learning Agreement, etc.)
- Attend pre-departure session
- Prepare for departure (find accommodation, etc.)

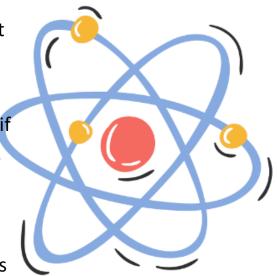
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### **Trinity Joint Honours (TJH) Students**

- Normally expected to study both subjects while abroad.
- You must ensure partner universities offer the subject areas/modules you require & that they allow you to take modules in multiple subject areas on exchange.
- View <a href="https://www.tcd.ie/tjh/currentstudents/exchange/">https://www.tcd.ie/tjh/currentstudents/exchange/</a> webpage for detailed information about pathway requirements and FAQs for JH students.
- Contact: <u>tjh.erasmus-studyabroad@tcd.ie</u>
- TJH will be hosting information sessions for students interested in global mobility. <u>Tuesday 8th October</u>

### What about my moderatorship?

- If your degree requires you to pick a moderatorship subject for third year, you will need to ensure that whichever host university you want to go to can accommodate your expected moderatorship area.
- For example, if you are a TR060 student, you will need to research if potential universities offer enough specific modules in Neuroscience i that is your expected moderatorship for next year.
- The same scenario is in place for TR063 students taking Physical Sciences.
- It is always good to have alternative choices picked out for mobility as moderatorships are not guaranteed.



# Support

Trinity Global: global.mobility@tcd.ie

#### **Academic Mobility Coordinators**

Advises on modules, credits, and sign learning agreement.

**Peer to Peer support: Student ambassadors & peer contacts** (student advising will be promoted once applications are open)

#### Disability Officer: askds@tcd.ie

**Follow us on social media:** @TCDGlobal (Instagram, Twitter) @TCDglobalmobility (Instagram)

### **Virtual Mobility Advising Hours**

- Beginning the Week of 7th October, students may book in for advising appointments with the Global Mobility team:
- <u>https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/Outbound</u> <u>MobilityVirtualAdvising@TCDUD.onmicrosoft.com/booki</u> <u>ngs/</u>





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# **Student Panel**





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# **Questions?**

