



#TCD Freshers

September 2025

Welcome to Trinity College Dublin

WELCOME BIENVENŪ ยินดีต้อนรับ
स्वागतत है BIENVENIDO WILLKOMMEN
欢迎 مَرْحَبَة ようこそ 환영합니다
WELCOME ΚΑΛΩΣ ΗΡΘΑΤΕ VÄLKOMMEN
добро пожаловать VÄLKOMMEN TERVETULOA
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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
- 8 Dublin postcodes
- 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24.
- 3 Faculties
- 25 Schools
- 3635 Staff
- >14500 UG
- >5500 PG
- >1100 visiting students
- Several hangry seagulls 🦅

4061 Freshers— YOU!

FAMOUS STUDENTS

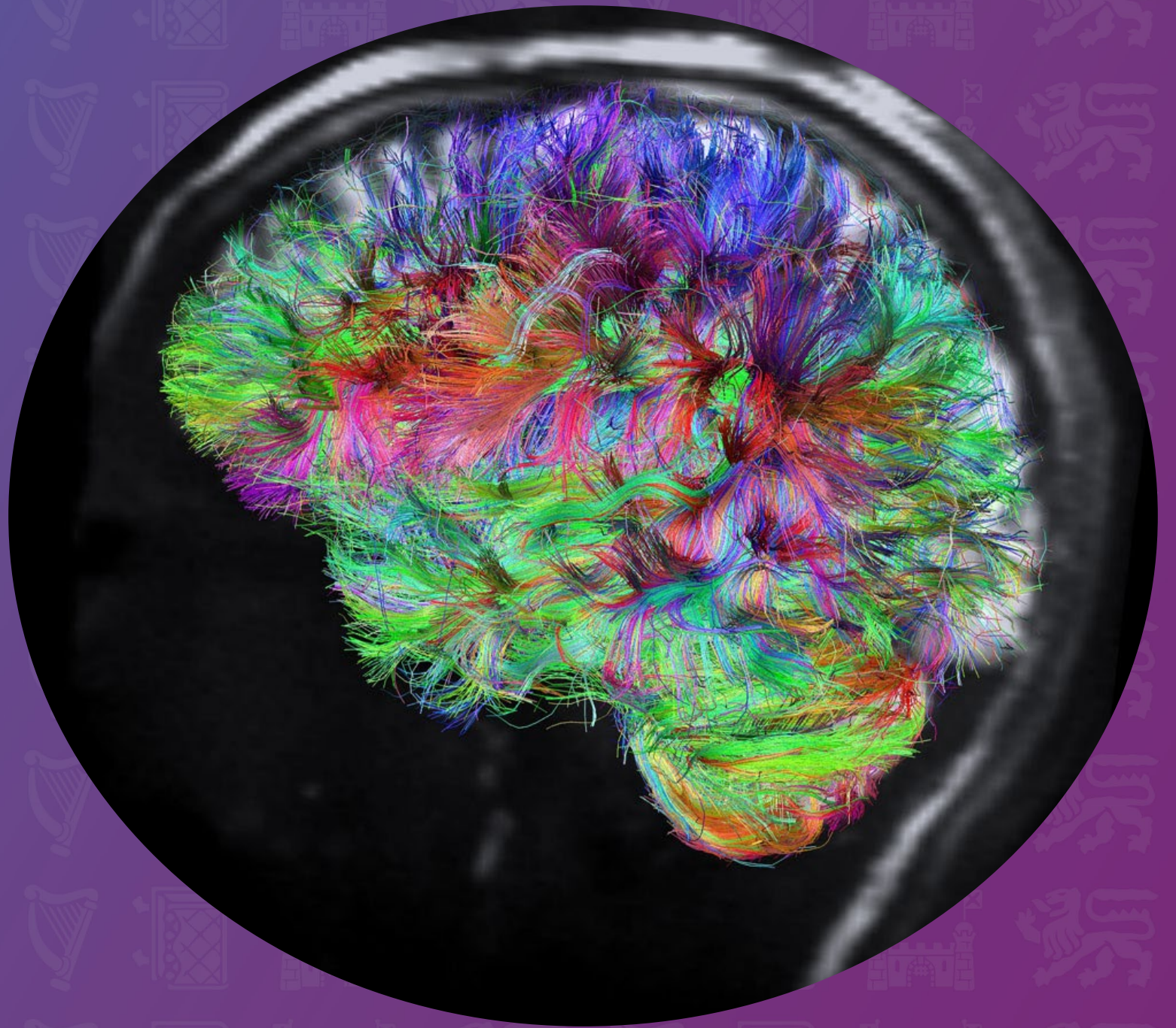


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Tempus Fugit



MIND YOUR MIND IN TRINITY



YOUR TUTOR

Tueri: to protect

Tutelage: under the guard of

WHAT DOES YOUR TUTOR DO FOR YOU?

- Your Tutor is a staff member who looks out for you
They are researchers and teachers who **VOLUNTEER**
- They can provide direction and **academic advice**
But not mental health specialists
- Advocate. Adviser. On your side. Useful at exam time
- Your relationship with your Tutor is entirely
confidential
- There are 319 of us.

WHO IS YOUR TUTOR?

FIND OUT IN MY.TCD.IE

Personal

[Courses](#)

[Modules](#)

[Assessments](#)

[Admissions](#)

[Financial Info](#)

[Contacts](#)

[Memberships](#)

[Notes](#)

Foundation Student Record



Name:

Michael D Higgins

Student Code:

25123456.

TCD E-mail Address:

mickeyd@tcd.ie

Gender:

Male

Scholar:

No

Date of Birth:

April 18th 1941

Nationality:

Irish

Tutors Name:

Taylor Swift

Tutors Email:

swifty@tcd.ie



Your tutor is trained to help you

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WHAT THEY CAN DO FOR YOU

- ❖ A **point of contact**
- ❖ Assist in **academic changes**: transfers, gap year
- ❖ May be called upon for extensions
- ❖ Guide you through a grade **feedback** or recheck
- ❖ **Signpost** to services or assist in connecting
- ❖ A **confidante**
- ❖ An **advocate** in appeals etc

WILL REACH OUT TO YOU AT START OF SEMESTER

Yes



No



COMMUNICATION

- This is a compassionate campus, but people are busy.
- If you call abruptly, they may be unable to see you.
- Email is best.
- Start with Hi Prof Simpson, or Dear
- Include student number, course and year.

WHAT THEY **CANNOT** DO FOR YOU

- Answer in minutes ✖
- Edit/write/critique/review your work ✖
- Break college rules and regulations for you ✖
- Change, for example, 39% to 40% ✖
- Talk to your mum/dad/guardian ✖
- Find accommodation ✖

Sent from stephensonk@tcd.ie

Tuesday 14/10/25 9:10

Hi Prof Osbourne,
I hope you're having a good week, despite the heavy rain. I am Kala your tutee, my student number is 25555555 and I am in JF Music. We met in freshers' week, thanks.

I was playing GAA yesterday for Trinity GFC, and I sprained my finger. I had to see a doctor and have a cert (attached). I missed Prof Benson's mandatory class in MUS0001 and my assignment deadline in MUS002 for Dr Ali.

What should I do?

Best wishes and thanks
Kala Stephenson.

Sent from larnex£4723@gmail.com

Sunday 12/10/25. 03:26

Hi

I sprained my finger. What should I do?

ps I mailed like 30 minutes ago and you didn't reply !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 🥺

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SOME DEADLINES

Transfers — contact Tutor or Senior Tutors office

October 5th

Must have the CAO entry requirements

These are **VERY** limited

Withdrawal by end October

But we don't want you leaving.....



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



SENIOR TUTORS OFFICE

House 27

Coordinates service

Appointments:

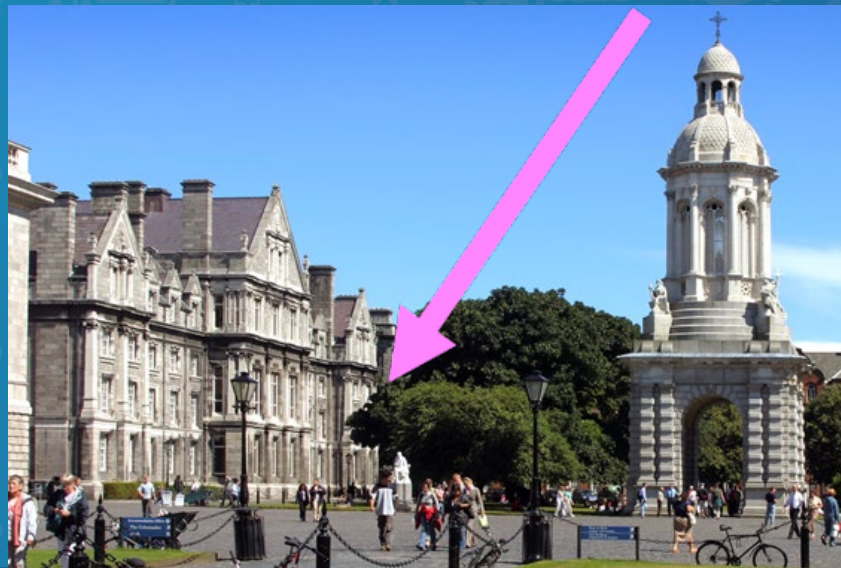
st.office@tcd.ie. Sarah

senior.tutor.admin@tcd.ie. Suzanne

Financial assistance

Diploma and cert students

<https://www.tcd.ie/seniortutor/people/>



SOCIAL MEDIA

FOLLOW US ON TWITTER and
INSTAGRAM @

TCDSeniorTutor

Competition open until
Friday 3rd October

Winners to be notified the
following week!



Be in a chance to win one of three
Trinity goodie bags! Courtesy of
@visit trinity !





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
- Silverlight programmes
- Wellbeing Workshops
- Peer Support

tcd.ie/student_counselling

STUDENT LEARNING DEVELOPMENT

- Free workshops
- Online Resources
- Academic Skills Blackboard module

tcd.ie/sld

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

HEALTH & WELLBEING SUPPORT

Mentoring

how it works

S2S

Student 2 Student



tcd.ie/student2student
student2student@tcd.ie
01 896 2658



S2S MENTORING

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

<https://www.tcd.ie/Sport/student-sport/orientation/>

STUDENT SOCIETIES

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

trinitysocieties.ie

STUDENTS' UNION

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

Be a class rep

tcdsu.org

GLOBAL ROOM

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

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

CAREERS ADVISORY SERVICE

- MyCareer
- CV and Interview Clinics
- Career Fairs

tcd.ie/careers

CHAPLAINCY

- 5 Chaplains – Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian, Methodist
- Muslim prayer rooms, multifaith room
- Links to other faith groups

tcd.ie/chaplaincy

ACADEMIC REGISTRY



ask.tcd.ie enquiry portal



01 896 4500



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)

DIGNITY, RESPECT & CONSENT

- Training module on consent and sexual violence
- Disclosures and complaints
- Speak Out

tcd.ie/hr/dignity-and-respect/

EQUALITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

- Training on race, unconscious bias and consent
- Inclusive Curriculum resources

tcd.ie/equality/

POLICIES HUB

- Student Complaints Procedure
- Alcohol
- Mental Health
- Child Protection

tcd.ie/about/policies/

SUSTAINABILITY

- Healthy Trinity Online Tool
- Green Maps
- Smarter Travel
- Living Labs

tcd.ie/sustainability/

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

GETTING STARTED WITH IT



7 Things You Need to Know to Get Started

1. Getting Your Computer Account and Email
2. Connecting to the Student Wi-Fi
3. Accessing Your Coursework
4. Finding Lectures and Locations
5. Getting Software
6. Purchasing Laptops
7. Getting Help

www.tcd.ie/itservices/students/orientation

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Be Aware

- Please register by October 7th
- Ensure you have 60 credits
- Look out for intray messages from my.tcd.ie
- Emails from your course, school, and tutor.





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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 backups.
- Get used to Blackboard and use your @tcd.ie mail.
- **Read your course handbook**



Review These Messages

1 messages are being held for you to review as of **18/09/2024 05:30:05 (UTC)**.

Review them within **15 days of the received date** by going to the [Quarantine page](#) in the Security Center.

Prevented spam messages

Sender: [redacted]@gmail.com

Subject: Urgent email Tcd no: 243 [redacted]

Date: 17/09/2024 09:26:18

[Review Message](#)

[Release](#)

[Block Sender](#)



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EXAMINATIONS AND CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

- Examinations at the end of Semester 1 and 2
- Do prepare
- Keep up to date with continuous assessment
- August supplemental exams – Repeating a year

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BE ORIGINAL

Academic Integrity

Do not copy or use AI.

Turnitin

You could get into bother!



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Practical Navigator

STUDENT LIFE

Joining societies

<https://trinitysocietieshub.com/>

Joining Clubs & Trinity Sport Freshers Sessions

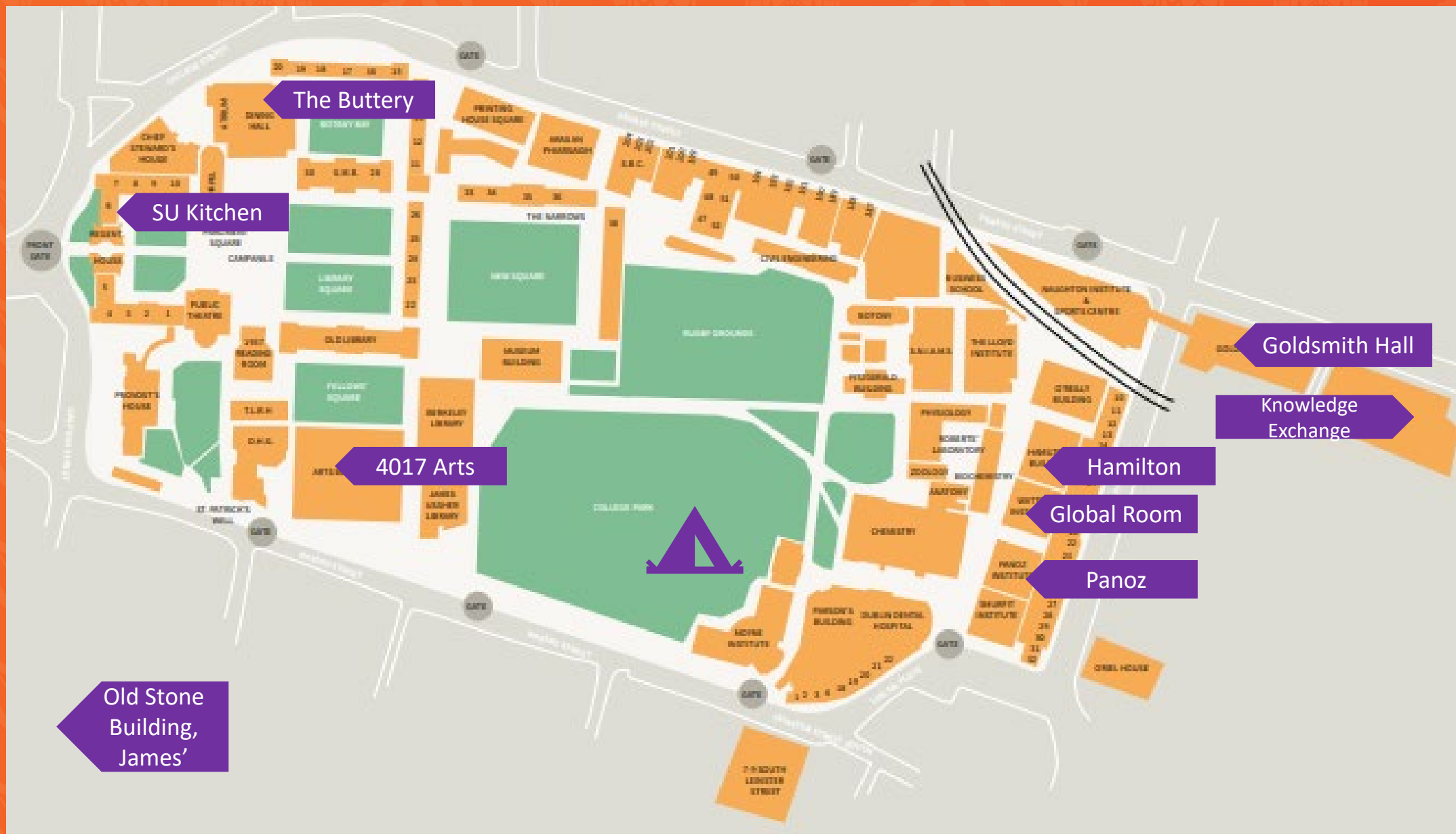
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THE FRESHERS' FAIR

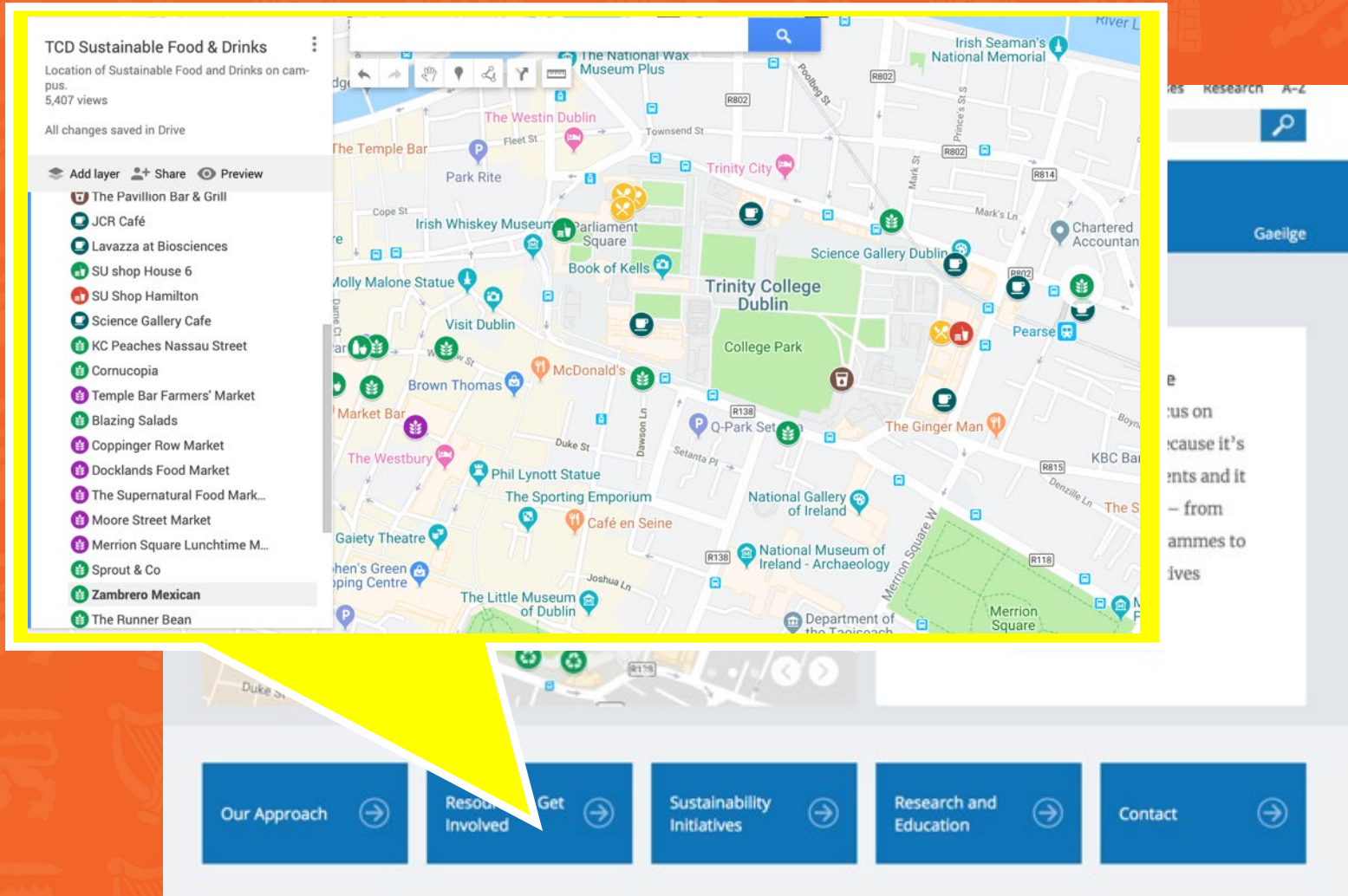
16, 17, 19 September





WHERE TO HANG OUT / ZÓN MAC LÉINN

SUSTAINABILITY



tcd.ie/sustainability/initiatives/know-your-campus/

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

KEEPING A **SUSTAINABLE** CAMPUS

Unplug

Unplug appliances when not in use

Plug them into power strips and turn off at the wall

Turn off lights when not in use

Reuse

Cup washing stations

2Go Cups

Water bottle filling stations

Recycling

Sort your rubbish and recycle appropriately

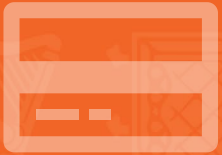
A requirement on campus

Reverse vending machines

YOUR T-CARD



Your student ID card



Cashless payment system on campus



Shop and save with student discounts!



Your print and copy account

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

YOUR T-CARD

ORIENTATION HUB



Collect your student card

Talk to services

- Academic Registry
- IT Services
- Trinity Global
- DisAbility Service
- Student Counselling Services
- SafeZone
- Lockers
- Sport

Win daily prizes!!!

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How to be a Trinity student



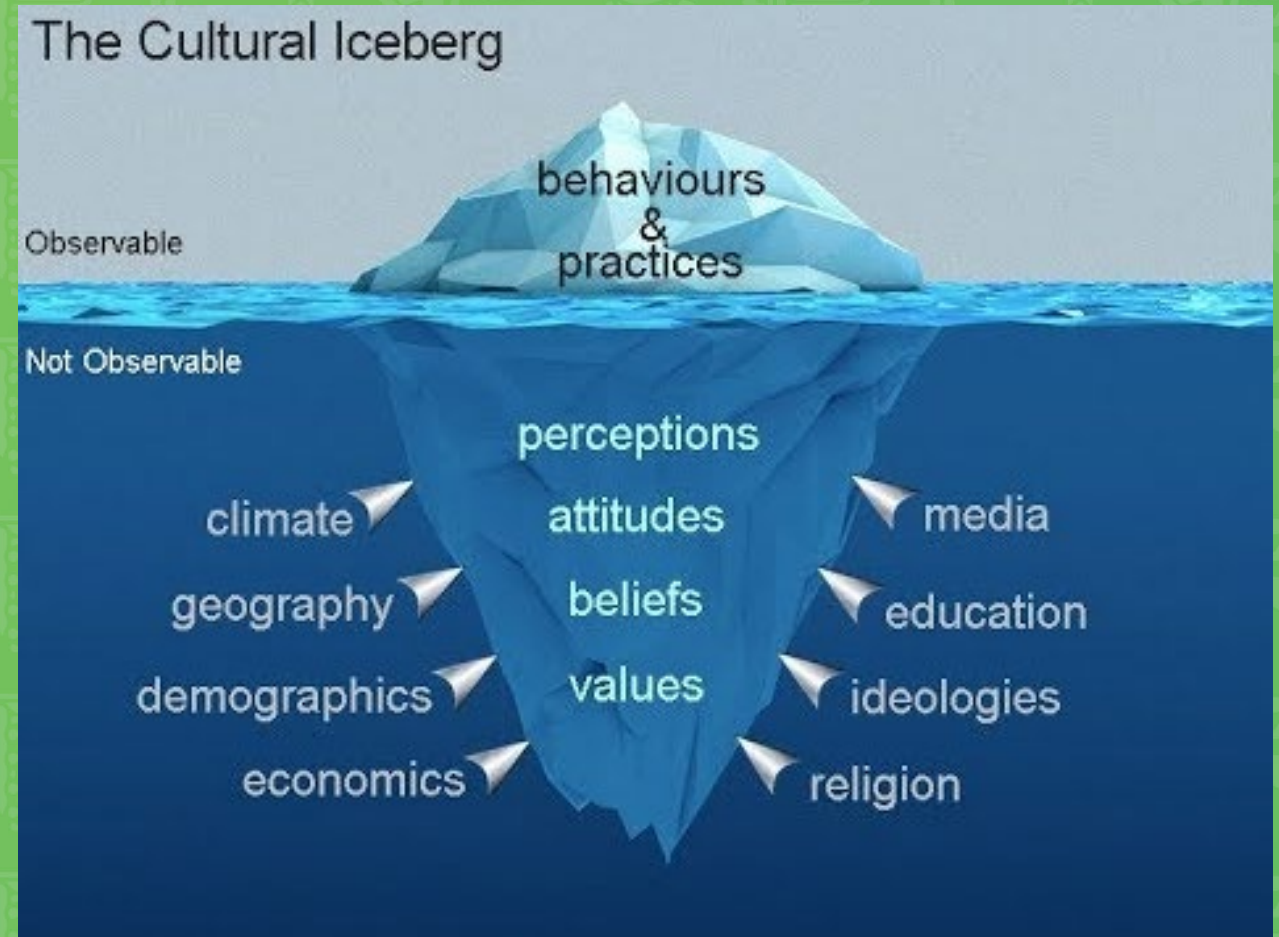
How to be a Trinity student

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

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WHAT IS CULTURE?

- Culture is the various beliefs, behaviours, languages, practices and expressions considered unique to members of a specific ethnicity, race or national origin
- Making connections with people from a wide range of diverse cultural and language backgrounds will help you make the most of your time in Trinity
- Culture clash can arise when you find yourself in a situation where your home culture and host culture are in conflict



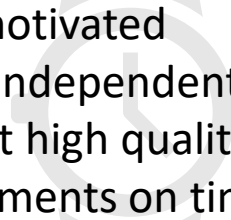
EVERYDAY CULTURAL DIFFERENCES

- Greetings
- Small talk
- Punctuality
- Socialising and alcohol
- Humour
- Formality vs informality
- Personal space
- Slang
- Direct vs indirect communication

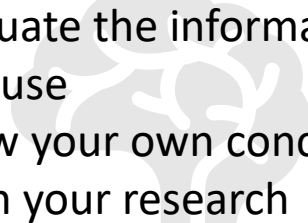


TOP TIPS FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

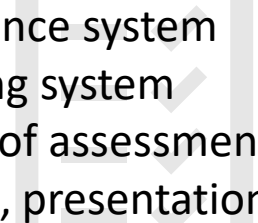
TIME MANAGEMENT

- 
- Stay motivated
 - Work independently
 - Submit high quality assignments on time

DEVELOP CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS

- 
- Evaluate the information you use
 - Draw your own conclusions from your research

UNDERSTAND WHAT YOUR LECTURER IS LOOKING FOR

- 
- Reference system
 - Grading system
 - Types of assessment (reports, essays, presentations, exams)

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

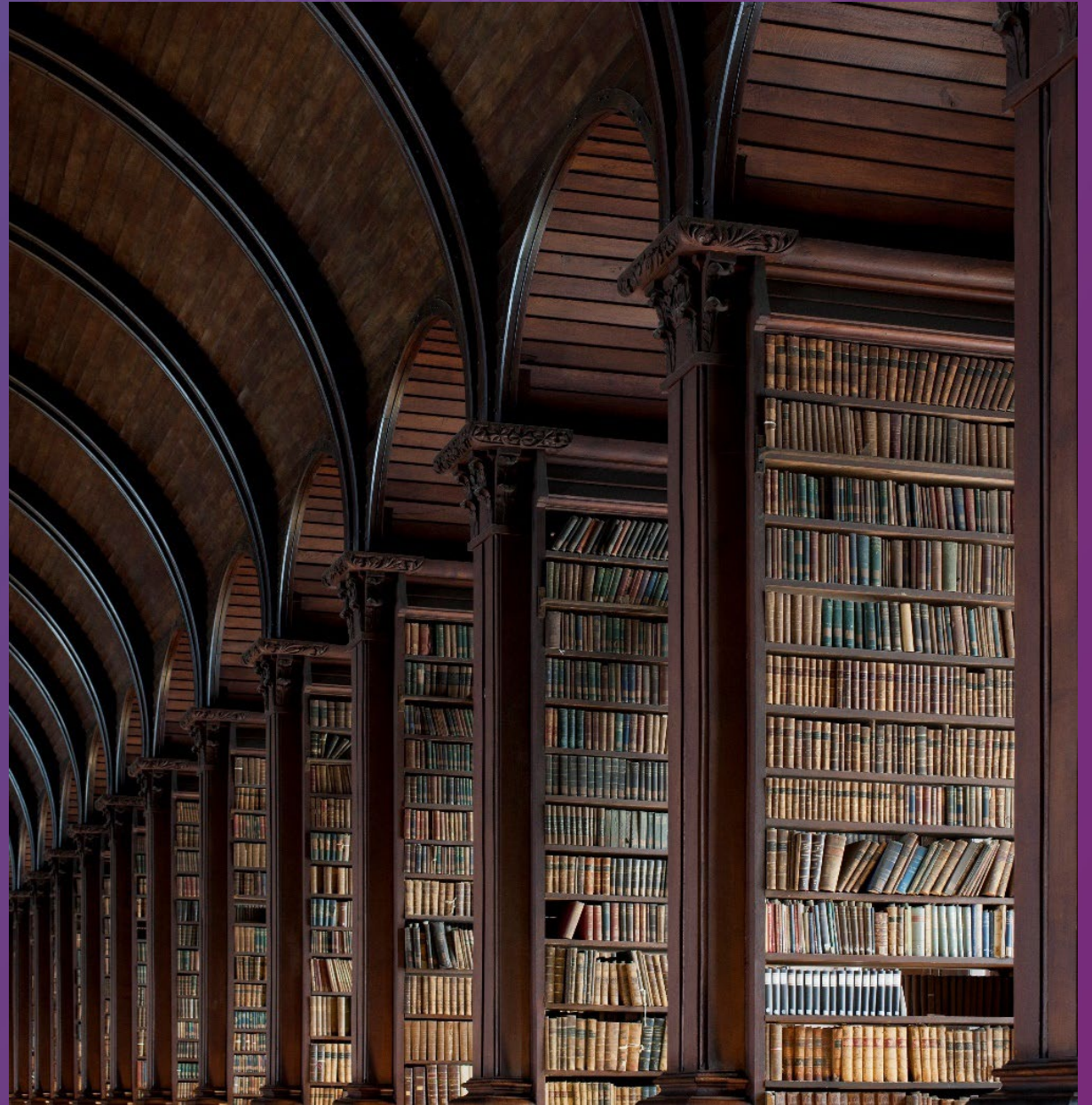


3

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

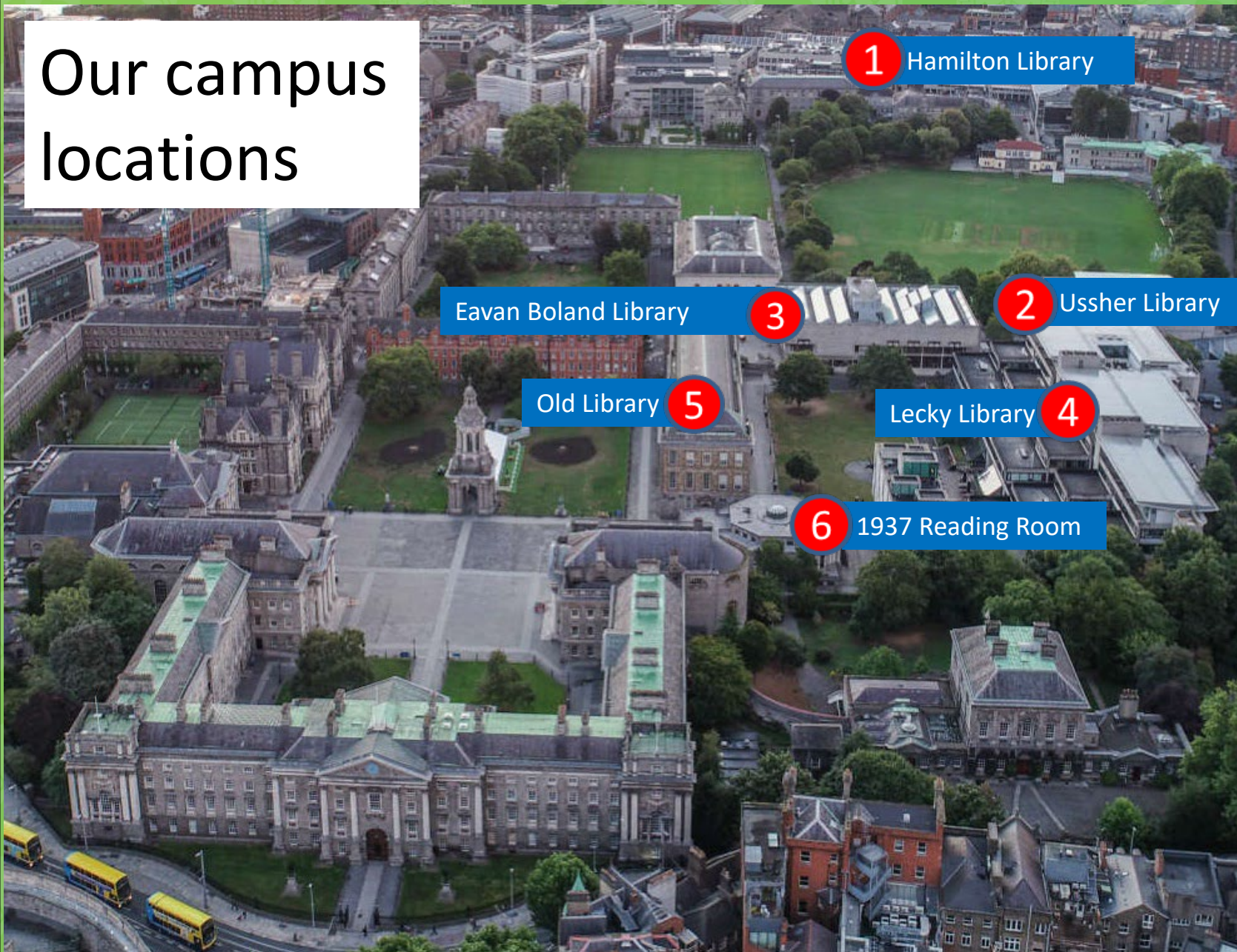
1,300,000 e-books

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

3

Ussher Library

2

Old Library

5

Lecky Library

4

6

1937 Reading Room

Ancient History
Drama & Film Studies
English
History of Art
Languages
Map Library
Music
Religion
Philosophy

2

Research Collections –
Manuscripts &
Archives; Early Printed
Books

The Old Library
– well worth a visit!

5

24-hours
Postgraduate
Study Space

6

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

USING THE LIBRARY

VISIT US ONLINE AT TCD.IE/LIBRARY

Library Catalogue

Articles and More

Digital Collections

Search for books, ebooks, journal titles, and more

GO

Looking for Stella Search? Our old catalogue will no longer be available from 27 October

My Library Account →

Book a Group Study Room →

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Welcome new students

[See our Welcome to the Library page](#)

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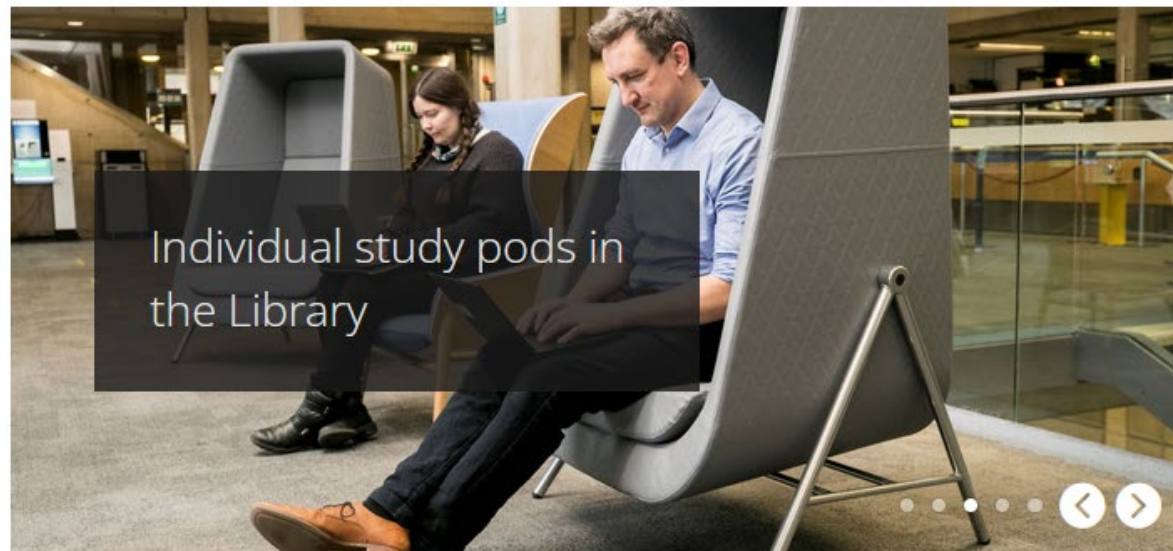
[Reference Queries](#)

[UK Electronic Legal Deposit](#)

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An Inclusive Library

The Library is committed to providing an inclusive library environment so that all readers have complete and equitable access to the entire Library service.



[Library Sensory Spaces](#) >

[Building Access](#) >

[Do You Struggle with Reading Text?](#) >

[Supports for Students with Disabilities within the Library](#) >

USING THE LIBRARY

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



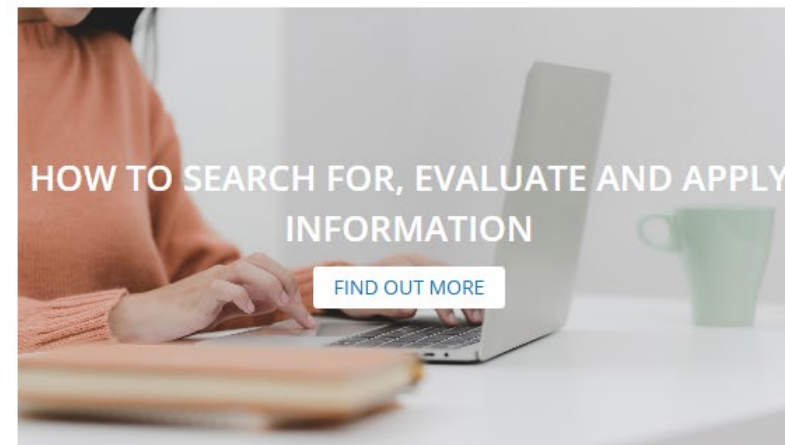
Welcome!

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 here

Top Tips for Undergraduates



Top Tips for Postgraduates



USING THE LIBRARY

UNDERGRADUATE BORROWING



- You can borrow up to **10 books** at any one time from the General Lending collection, which can include items from our open shelves or from storage.
- Items can be borrowed for **four weeks** and renewed **up to five times**, as long as nobody else has placed a recall on the item

CURRENT UNDERGRADUATE 24-HOUR SPACES

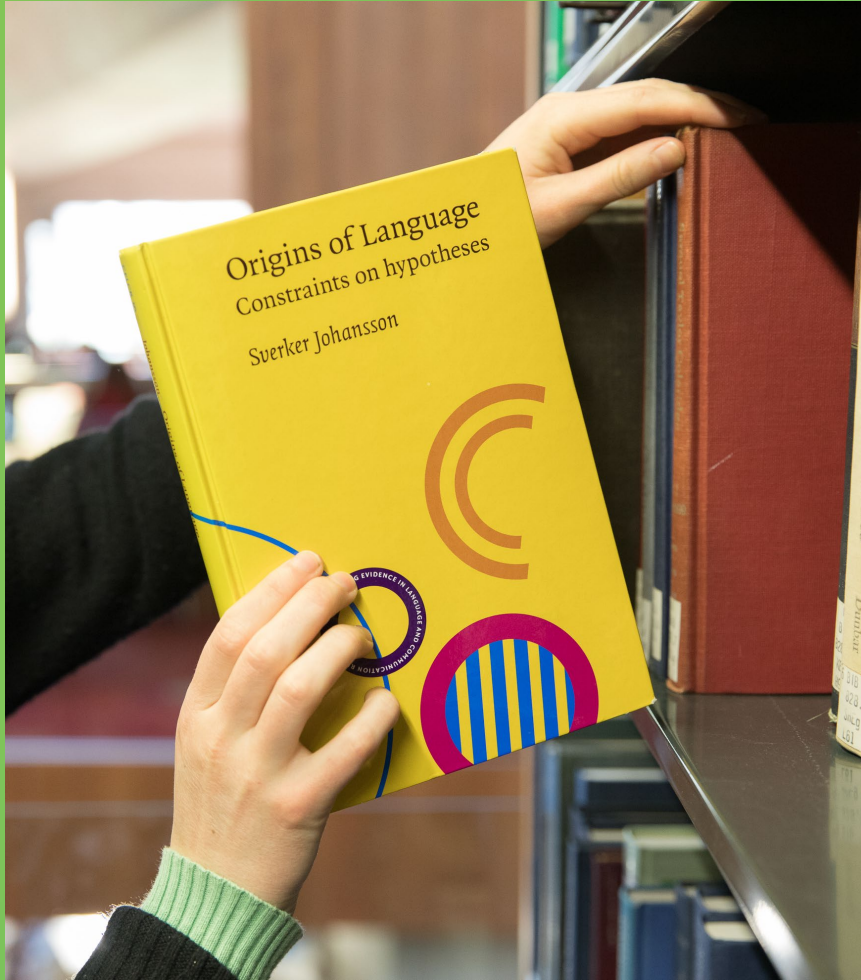
KINSELLA HALL

- Open 7 days a week to all students
- Enter via Eavan Boland 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 the **Library Catalogue** to identify where your book is located

Codes (shelfmarks) are assigned to books to help you locate them on the shelves. The shelfmark is visible on a white shelf mark label attached to the cover of the book

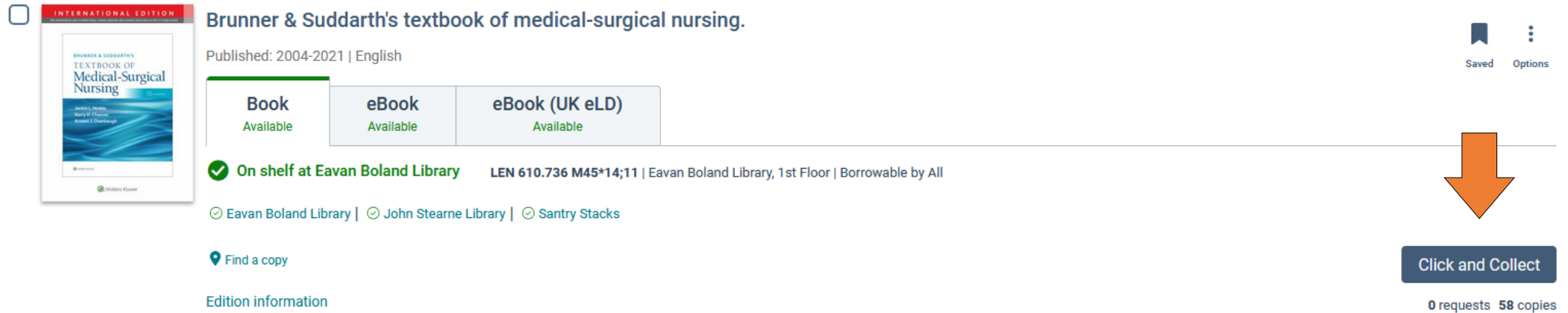
New! You can now request to collect books on the shelves from the Library Service Desk closest to its home – what we call *Click and Collect*. You can still go to the shelf yourself!

90% of our collection is in storage (on and offsite) – you request nearly all of these using Click and Collect

USING THE LIBRARY

CLICK AND COLLECT

Use the *Click and Collect* button, and select from the list....



The screenshot shows a library catalog entry for 'Brunner & Suddarth's textbook of medical-surgical nursing'. It includes a book cover image, publication details (Published: 2004-2021 | English), and three format options: 'Book Available', 'eBook Available', and 'eBook (UK eLD) Available'. A green checkmark indicates the item is 'On shelf at Eavan Boland Library'. The call number 'LEN 610.736 M45*14;11' and location 'Eavan Boland Library, 1st Floor | Borrowable by All' are listed. Below this, three library locations are shown with location icons: 'Eavan Boland Library', 'John Stearne Library', and 'Santry Stacks'. A 'Find a copy' link is present. On the right, there are 'Saved' and 'Options' icons. A large orange arrow points down to a 'Click and Collect' button. Below the button, it says '0 requests 58 copies'.

☐ **Brunner & Suddarth's textbook of medical-surgical nursing.**

Published: 2004-2021 | English

Book Available | **eBook** Available | **eBook (UK eLD)** Available

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📍 Eavan Boland Library | 📍 John Stearne Library | 📍 Santry Stacks

📍 Find a copy

Edition information

Click and Collect

0 requests 58 copies

- **Normal Library shelves (within 24 hours, often much sooner) NOTE: you can only collect from the Service Desk where the book is located!**
- **Ussher Stacks (within 24 hours, often much sooner) – normally, any Service Desk**
- **Santry and External Storage (generally next weekday) – normally, any Service Desk**
- 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

eBOOKS – UK eLD & REGULAR eBOOKS

UK legislation means that the electronic versions of legal deposit material must be accessed at designated PCs in the Library

You can access the ebooks we purchase (regular ebooks) from anywhere. Most appear in the Library Catalogue - start there! – but some are in Articles and More

The screenshot displays two identical entries for the book 'Brunner & Suddarth's textbook of medical-surgical nursing' in a library catalog. Each entry includes a book cover image on the left, followed by the title and publication details (Published: 2008-2021 | English). To the right of the title are links for 'Saved' and 'Options'. Below the title, there are three buttons: 'Book Available', 'eBook Available', and 'eBook (UK eLD) Available'. In the top entry, the 'eBook (UK eLD) Available' button is highlighted with a red rectangular box. In the bottom entry, the 'eBook Available' button is highlighted with a red rectangular box. At the bottom right of each entry is a dark blue button labeled 'Access Online'. Below the buttons, there is a link for 'Edition information'.

USING THE LIBRARY

ARTS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES TEAM



Isolde Harpur

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



David MacNaughton

- Business; Economics
- Engineering
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Computer Science
- Mathematics
- Statistics



Helen Bradley

- Drama & Film
- European Studies
- History of Art & Architecture



Caroline Montgomery

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

ARTS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES TEAM



Geraldine Fitzgerald

- Education
- Psychology



Terry McDonald

- Law
- Classics



Roy Stanley

Music



Seán Hughes

- History
- Gender & Women's Studies

STEM & HEALTH SCIENCES TEAM



Jessica Eustace-Cook

- Nursing & Midwifery
- Research Ireland Support



David Mockler

- Medicine
- Dental Science
- Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences



Margaret Rooney

- Biochemistry; Biology
- Botany
- Environmental Science
- Genetics
- Geography; Geology
- Immunology; Microbiology
- Molecular Medicine
- Neuroscience (UG)
- Zoology



Greg Sheaf

- Chemistry
- Physics

LIBRARY HITS



Google 'library hits tcd'

- Library Basics
- Academic Integrity & Avoiding Plagiarism
- Beginners' Guide to EndNote
- Essay Writing
- Reading & Notemaking
- Reading, Thinking & Writing Critically
- Researching your Literature Review
- Searching for Topics Using Databases

USING THE LIBRARY

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

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 the Library 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 the shelves or storage using the Click and Collect service
- ✓ 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

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

USING THE LIBRARY

MORE INFORMATION, GUIDANCE AND THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

[https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation
/resources/index.php](https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/resources/index.php)





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