

September 2026

Welcome to Trinity College Dublin

@trinitycollegedublin





Today's Session

- Introduction to Trinity
- Student Supports and Services
- Key Dates and College Fundamentals
- Campus Life
- Being a Trinity Student

Trinity in Numbers

- 434 years
- 47 Acres
- 8 Dublin Postcodes
1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24
- 3 Faculties
- 24 Schools
- 3700 Staff
- >15000 UGs
- >5500 PGs
- >1100 visiting students
- Several hangry seagulls 🐦

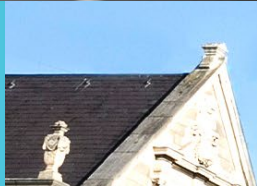


4000 Freshers – YOU!

Famous Students



Tempus Fugit



Mind Your Mind in Trinity



Student Supports and Services



- Tutors
- Mentoring
- Health & Wellbeing Support
- Administrative Support
- Academic Support

Your Tutor

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under the guard of



Yes



No

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, they are not mental health specialists
- Advocate. Adviser. On Your Side.
- Useful at exam time
- Your relationship with your Tutor is entirely **confidential**
- Find out who yours is at my.tcd.ie



There are 350 of us,
all trained to help you!

tcd.ie/seniortutor/undergraduate-students

What Your Tutor **Cannot** Do



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 for you

Communicating With Your Tutor

- 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 Dr. Flanders”
- Include your student number, course, and year

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 !!!!!!! 🙄



Sent from bishopeliz@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 Liz 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

Elizabeth Bishop.



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Contacting the Senior Tutor's Office



Senior Tutor's Office
House 27
Coordinates the Service

For appointments:
st.office@tcd.ie

Sarah, Sean

Financial Assistance
Diploma and Cert Students

tcd.ie/seniortutor/contact

Services at Your Disposal



tcd.ie/students/supports-services

Student Counselling Services

- Individual Counselling
- Support Groups and Wellbeing Workshops
- 8-Week PG Support Group
- Online Programmes and Resources



tcd.ie/studentcounselling

student-counselling@tcd.ie

Student Learning Development

- Free workshops
- Online Resources
- One-to-one consultations
- Academic Writing Centre



tcd.ie/sld

student.learning@tcd.ie

College Health Centre

- Free for Students
- Doctors, Nurses
- Sexual Health Clinics
- Physiotherapy (*small fee*)



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disAbility Service

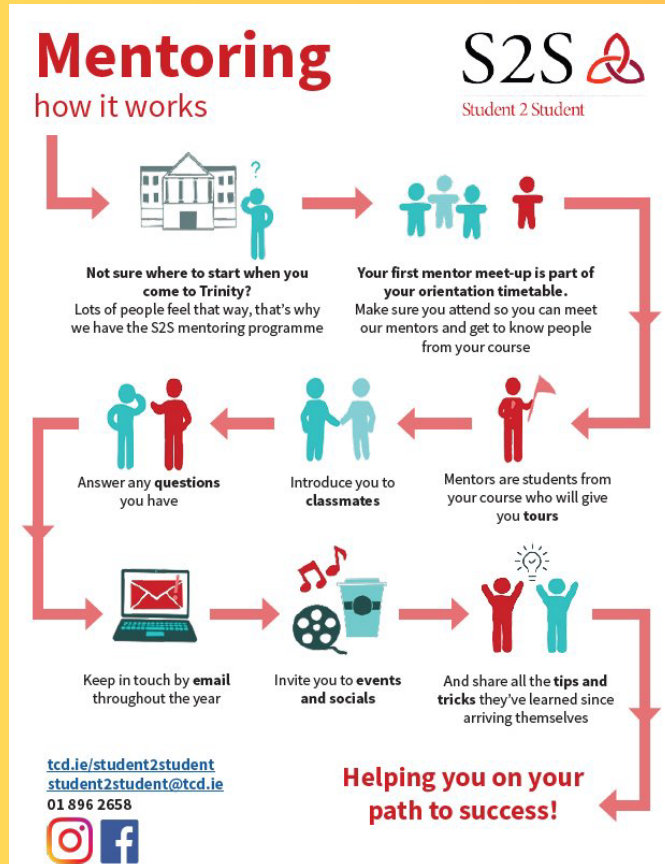
- Needs Assessment and Support
- Assistive Technology
- Exam Accommodations
- Apply for Supports on my.tcd.ie



tcd.ie/disability

askds@tcd.ie

S2S Mentoring



S2S is a student-led initiative designed to ensure any student in Trinity can get information and support from another student, find a friendly face to have a chat, talk things through or just ask a few questions when you're not sure who to approach

You have all been assigned to S2S Groups with a pair of Mentors

Find out where and when to meet them on your Orientation Timetable
tcd.ie/students/orientation/undergraduates/index.php

tcd.ie/student2student

Sports Clubs

- Approx. 50 clubs
- Aikido to Windsurfing
- Opportunities at all levels
- Specialist training and competitions



tcd.ie/sport/student-sport

@tcdsport

Student Societies



- Over 120 societies
- Afro-Caribbean to Zoological
- Themed events
- Inclusive socials

trinitysocieties.ie

@csctcdie

Sports Centre

- Full Gym *including swimming pool and climbing wall*
- Fitness Classes and Social Sports
- Trinity Sport App
- Additional Outdoor Facilities



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Volunteering

- Volunteering societies and other opportunities
- RAG Week
- Dean's Awards



tcd.ie/civicengagement

Students' Union (TCDSU / AMLCT)

- Represent you in College and beyond
- Provide support to students
- Organise social events (*inc. Trinity Ball*)
- Regular email updates (*inc. discounts*)



tcdsu.org

[@tcdsu.amlct](https://twitter.com/tcdsu.amlct)

Global Room

- International Student Support Hub
- Friendly Global Student Ambassadors
- International celebrations and events



tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie

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

Careers Advisory Service



- Opportunities on MyCareer
- Careers Fairs
- CV and Interview Clinics
- Careers Skills Award

tcd.ie/careers

[@trinity.careers.service](https://twitter.com/trinity.careers.service)

Chaplaincy

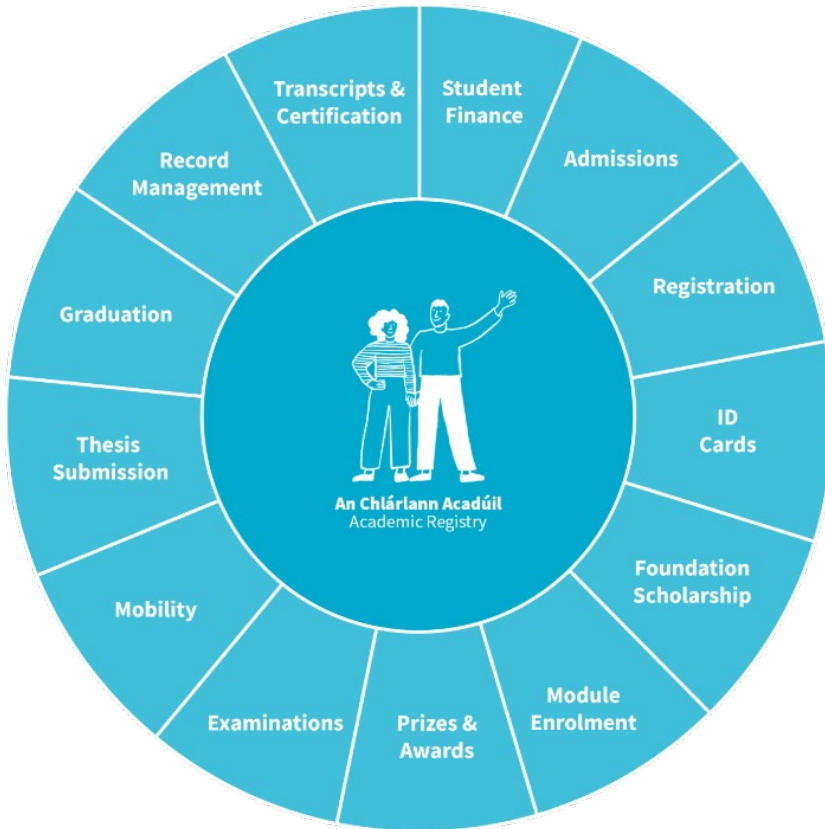
- 5 Chaplains (*Roman Catholic, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian*)
- Links to Other Faith Groups
- Chapel, Prayer Rooms, Multi-Faith Room
- Souper Tuesdays (*House 27, from 12:30pm*)



tcd.ie/chaplaincy

chaplaincy@tcd.ie

Academic Registry



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

- ✓ FRS 2 Forms (prior 3rd level education)
- ✓ Social Welfare Forms
- ✓ Garda Vetting (except for Nursing and Midwifery students)
- ✓ Graduation Applications
- ✓ Research Theses (for PGR students only)



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Dignity, Respect & Consent Service

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



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

Getting Started with IT



IT Services Student Orientation webpages “Getting Started” 7-step video

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 from IT Services

tcd.ie/itservices/students/orientation

Key Dates and College Fundamentals

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



Lectures and Classes

Do attend your classes: it's essential to keep up

Remember to keep notes; it's good for your brain

Store your notes safely & keep backups

Get used to Blackboard and use your @tcd.ie mail

Read your course handbook!



Exams and Continuous Assessment



Examinations at the end of Semesters 1 and 2
Ensure you are prepared

Keep up to date with continuous assessment

Supplemental exams at the end of August
Failure at these would mean repeating a year

Eyes on Summer 2027



Academic Integrity

Do not copy others' work or use AI

All submitted work is examined with
Turnitin

You could get into bother, so

BE ORIGINAL



Campus Life



- **Join Societies:**
trinitysocietieshub.com
 - **Join Clubs**
tcd.ie/sport/student-sport/sport-clubs
- Freshers' Fair**
- Tuesday 15 September
 - Wednesday 16 September
 - Friday 18 September

Orientation Hub



Collect Your Student Card (*T Card*)

Talk to Services

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

Enter Exclusive Daily Giveaways

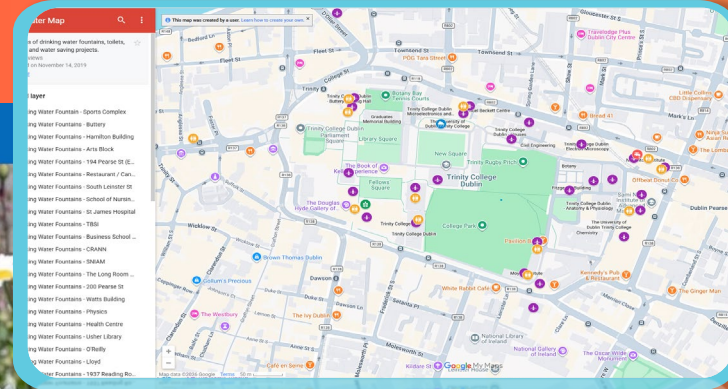
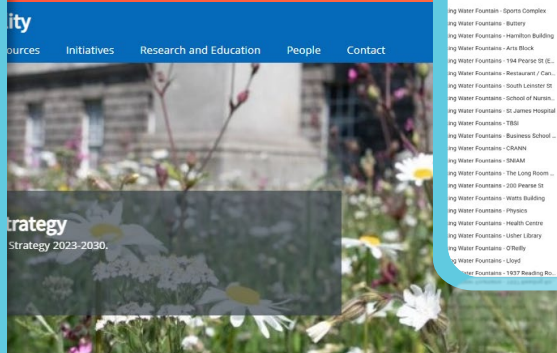
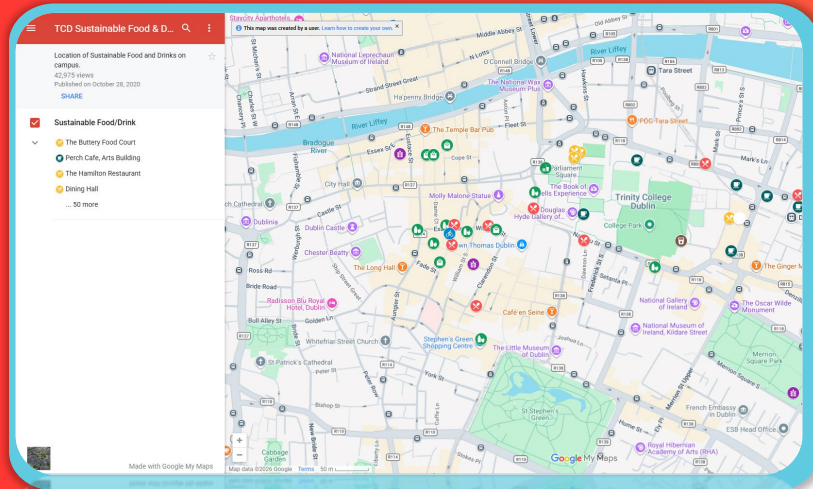
Open 10:00–15:00

T Card Collection from 09:00-17:00



Where to Eat

Trinity Sustainability



Welcome to Trinity Sustainability

Our mission is to tackle climate and biodiversity challenges for a healthy planet and healthy people through our educational programmes, our research and innovation, and our day-to-day operations, both within Trinity and in partnership with external collaborators and communities. We look forward to working with you!



Welcome
A welcome message from Prof. Jane Stout, Vice President for Biodiversity and Climate Action



Latest News and Research
Catch up on the latest sustainability news and research in Trinity.



Events
See the full events calendar here.

Find

- Recycling and waste points
- Sustainable food and drink
- Toilets and water fountains
- Second-hand shops

...and more!

tcd.ie/sustainability



Getting Around

- Walk, cycle, public transport
- TFI Live App - <https://www.transportforireland.ie/plan-a-journey/>
- Sustainability Map Hub



Leap Card

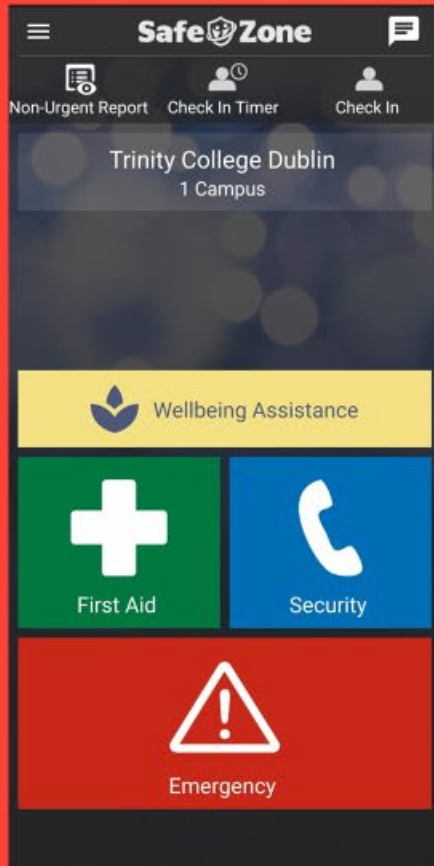
- Young Adult (<26) or Student (26+)
- <https://www.leapcard.ie/>



Cycling

- Bike parking
- Bike share (Dublin Bikes, Bleeper, Mobi – student discount)
- Cycle training

Campus Safety and Safezone



SafeZone

- Download from App Store and Google Play

College Security

- 01 896 1317
- 200 Pearse Street, Front Gate, Lincoln Place Gate, Printing House Square
- 24-hours

Emergencies on campus

- 01 896 1 999 – Security Emergency Number
- Fire alarms, emergency exits

Your T Card



Your Student ID Card



Facilities Access



Printer and Copier Sign-In



Cashless Payments on Campus



Shop and Save with Student Discounts



The Buttery



The Dining Hall



The Perch



Forum



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Academic Registry



Sports Centre



St. James's Hospital



Tallaght Hospital



The Library

How To Be A Trinity Student



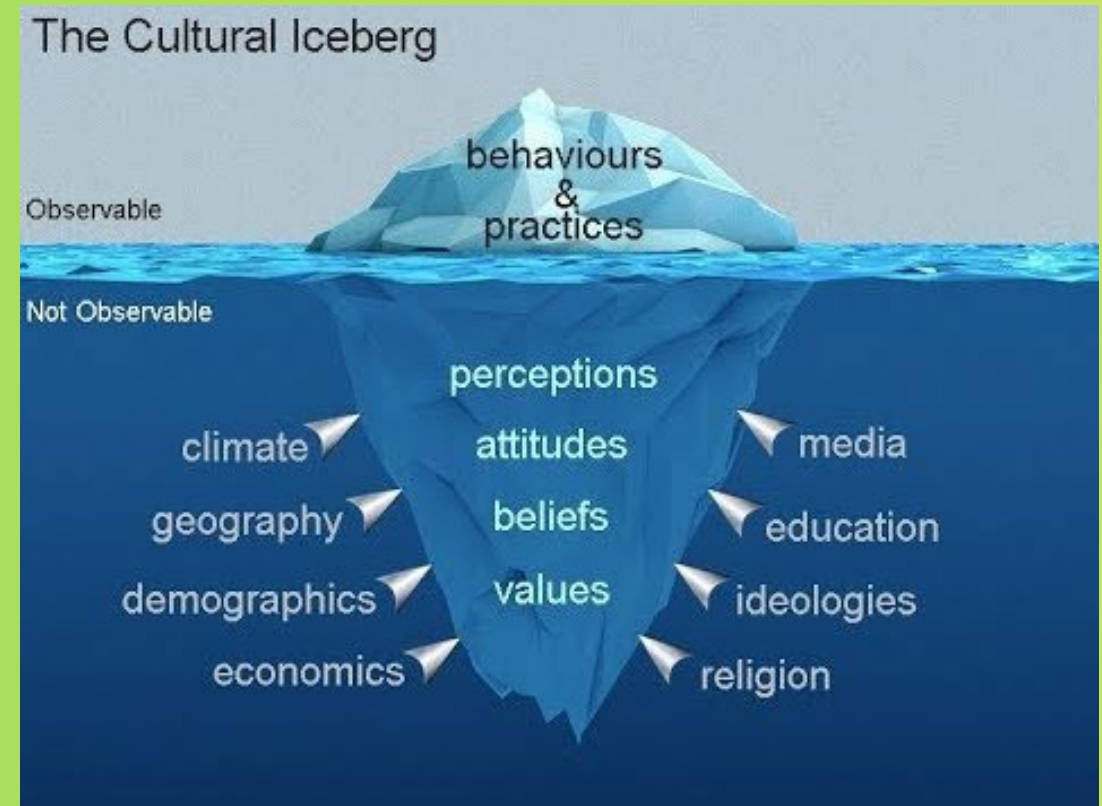
- Culture
- Top Tips for Academic Success
- Independent Research
- Using the Library

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

Manage Your Time

- 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

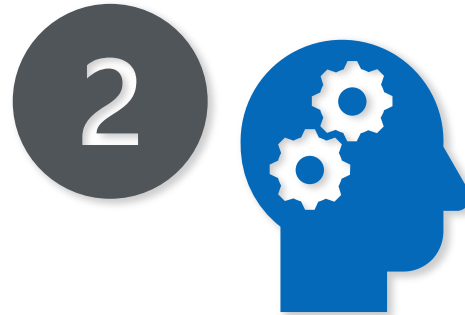
- Reference system
- Grading system
- Types of assessment
Reports, essays, presentations, exams,



As An Independent Researcher, You Must



Locate information that is relevant and reliable



Critically engage with literature and make your own contribution



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

Using the Library

Welcome
to the largest library in
Ireland

We look forward to
helping you achieve
and succeed

Ireland's Largest Research Library

7 million physical items

1,300,000 ebooks

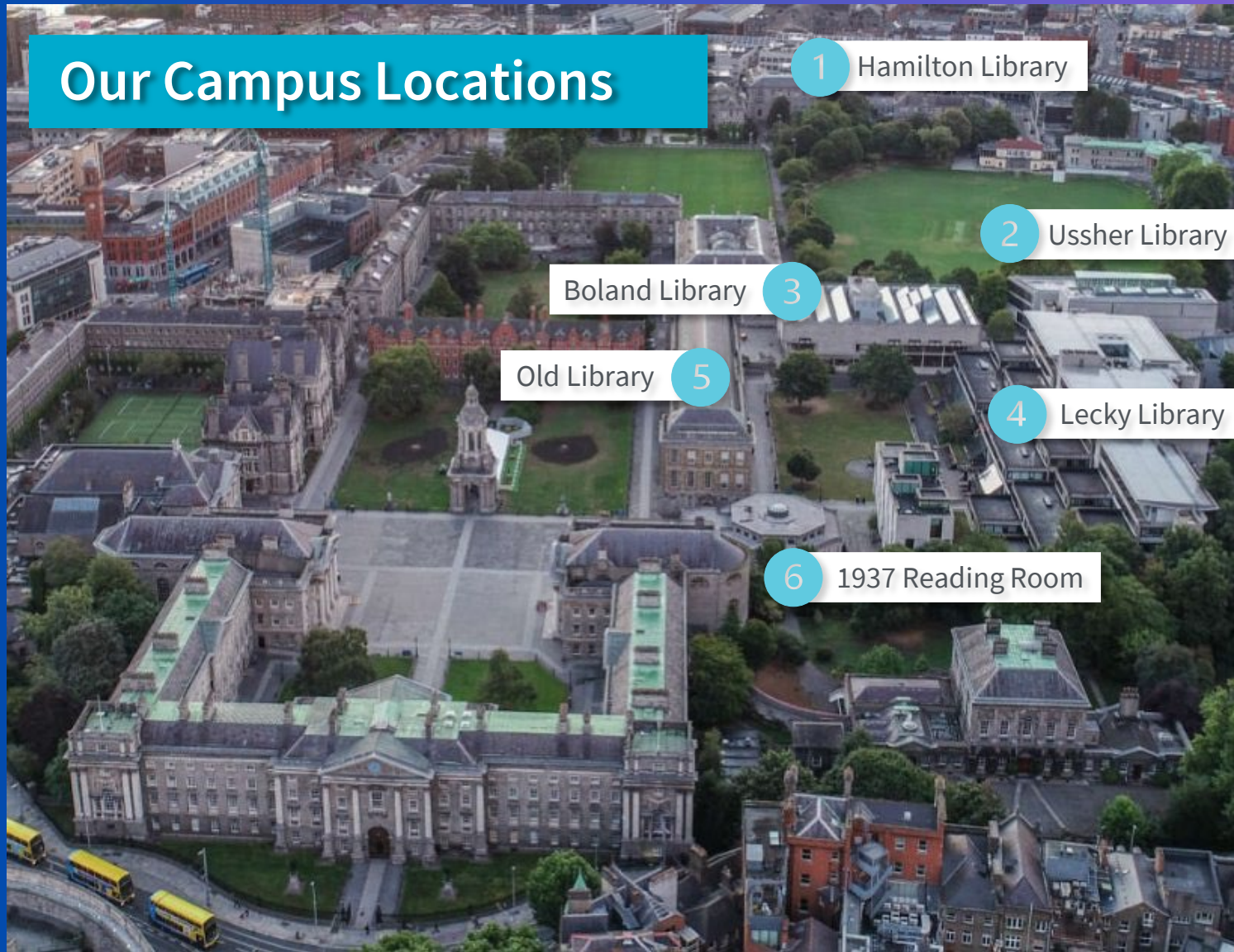
150,000 ejournals

3000+ study spaces
including dedicated sensory spaces



tcd.ie/library/using-library

Our Campus Locations



1 Hamilton Library

2 Ussher Library

3 Boland Library

5 Old Library

4 Lecky Library

6 1937 Reading Room

Computer Science
Engineering
Health Sciences
Mathematics
Natural Sciences
Statistics

1

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

2

History
Law
Nursing & Midwifery
Official Publications (*IE*)
Psychology

3

Business Studies
Geography
Geology
Economics
Education
Politics
Social Studies

4

The Old Library
- well worth a visit!

5

24-hours
Study Space
Postgraduate-Only

6

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

Off Campus
Santry Book Repository

Offsite Storage
Request via Click and Collect

tcd.ie/library/using-library/360.php

Current 24-Hour Study Spaces

KINSELLA HALL

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



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The Library of Trinity College Dublin

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Need help with acknowledging or referencing the use of Generative AI? [See our new LibGuide](#)

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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 [#TCDFreshers](#)

[Top Tips for Undergraduates](#) [Top Tips for Postgraduates](#)

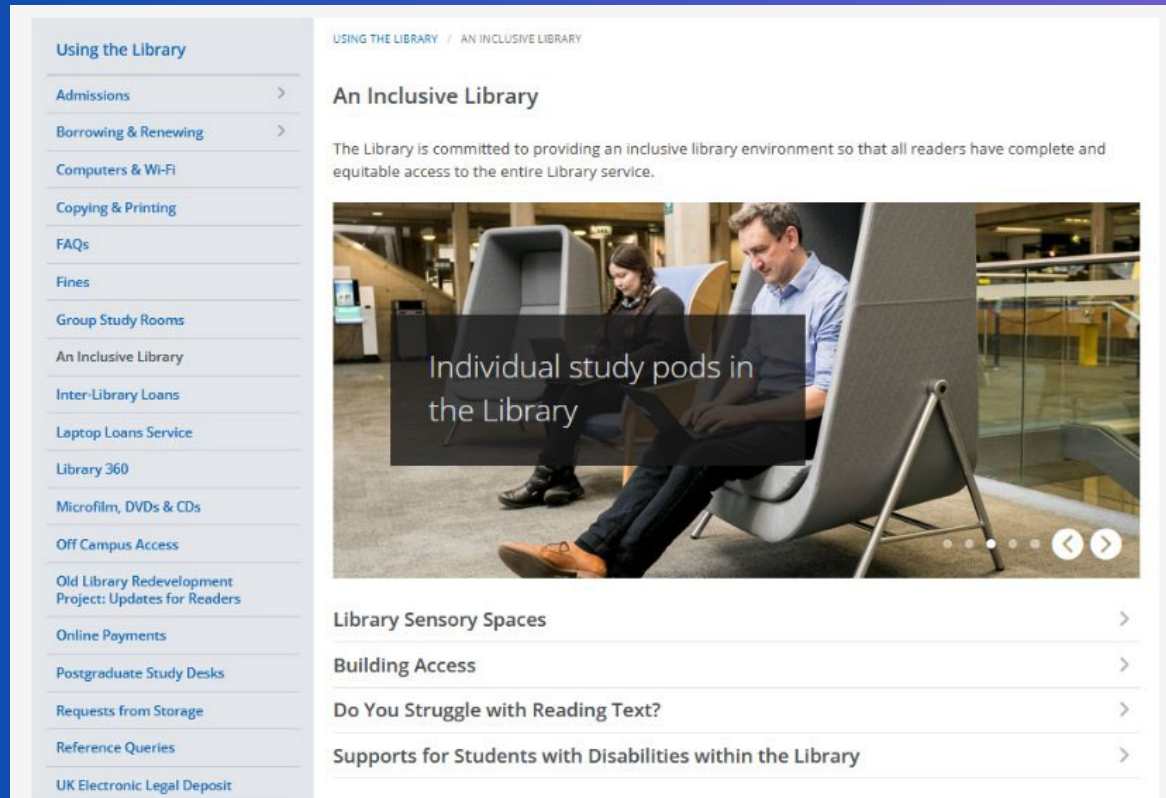
The Berkeley, Lecky and Ussher Libraries [Watch later](#) [Share](#)

OUR GUIDES TO SEARCHING FOR, EVALUATING AND APPLYING INFORMATION [FIND OUT MORE](#)

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tcd.ie/library/new-students

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

- Flexible seating options
- Bookable sensory spaces
- Sensory tours
- Special borrowing privileges
- Alternative formatting
- Assistive technology information centres

tcd.ie/library/using-library/disabilities.php

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



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 label attached to the cover of the book

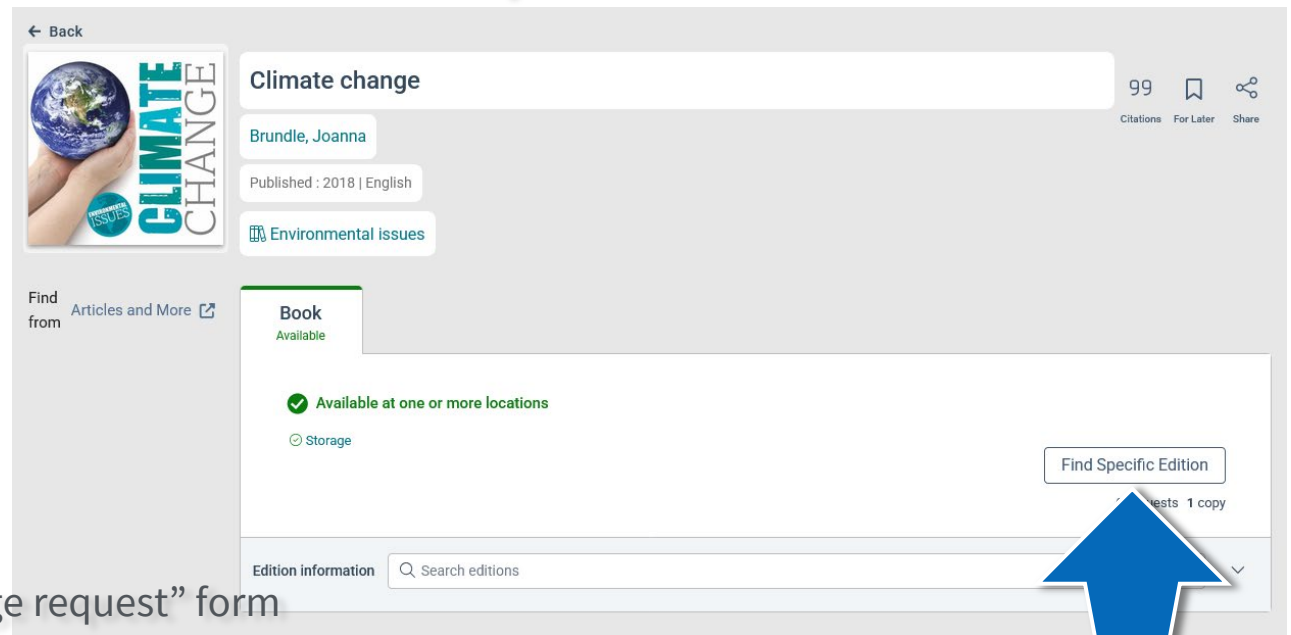
If you prefer, you can request to collect books on the shelves from the Library Service Desk closest to its home using our *Click and Collect* service

90% of our collection is in storage (on and offsite). These items can also be requested using Click and Collect

Click and Collect

The Library Catalogue entry indicates where copies of a text are stored

- Normal Library Shelves
available within 24 hours, often much sooner
N.B. Items must be collected from the nearest Service Desk to where they are located
- Storage
generally available next weekday



Other materials must be requested using a “storage request” form

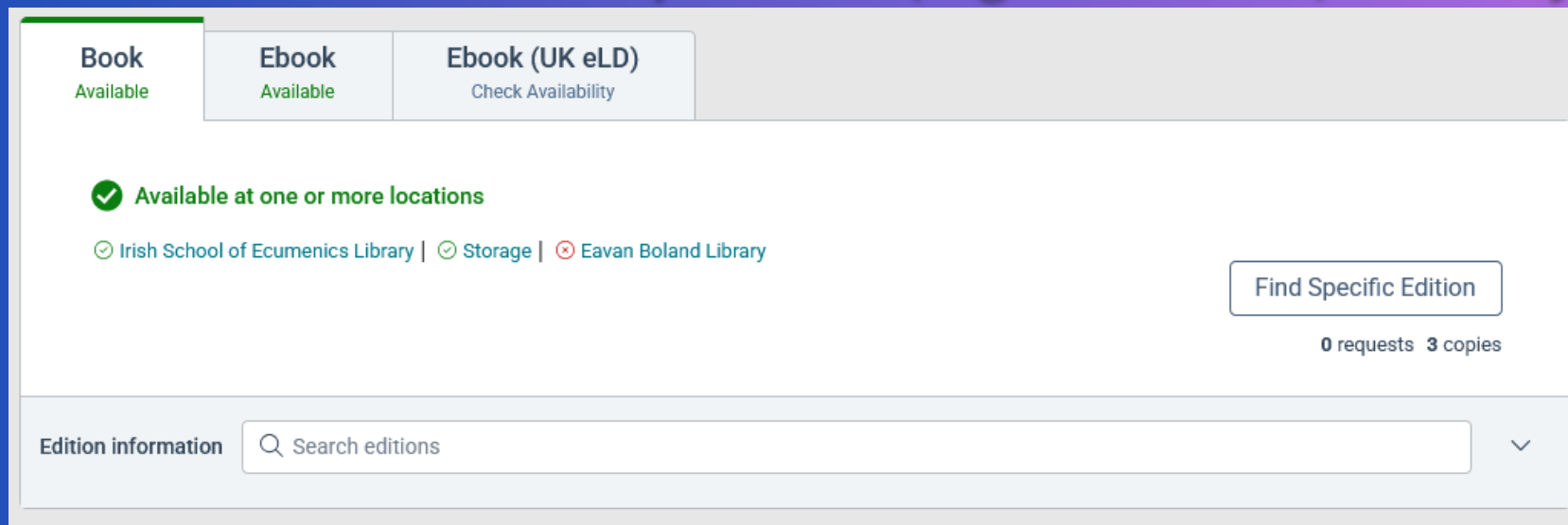
All material can be requested to the reading room for consultation and most can be borrowed

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Ebooks – UKeLD & 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



The screenshot shows a library interface with three tabs: 'Book Available', 'Ebook Available', and 'Ebook (UK eLD) Check Availability'. The 'Ebook (UK eLD)' tab is selected. Below the tabs, a green checkmark icon is followed by the text 'Available at one or more locations'. Underneath, there are three location indicators: 'Irish School of Ecumenics Library' with a green checkmark, 'Storage' with a green checkmark, and 'Eavan Boland Library' with a red X. To the right of these indicators is a button labeled 'Find Specific Edition'. Below the button, it says '0 requests 3 copies'. At the bottom, there is a section labeled 'Edition information' with a search bar containing the text 'Search editions' and a dropdown arrow on the right.

tcd.ie/library/using-library/eLD

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Medicine at St
James's Hospital

Library HITS



Watch videos of previous sessions now and look out for emails listing new live classes

- AI - Applying GenAI (SLD and the Library)
- Library Basics
- Plagiarism and Referencing
- Managing Your References
- Essay Writing (SLD)
- Reading and Notemaking (SLD)
- Reading, Thinking and Writing Critically (SLD)
- Top Tips for Nailing Your Literature Review
- Using Databases (Basic and Advanced)

tcd.ie/library/support/skills-training.php

Or, Google TCD Library HITS

If You're Stuck, Just Ask



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

tcd.ie/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 the Library Catalogue
- ✓ **Install** LibKey Nomad 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 emailed to you when you complete registration
- ✓ **Attend** a Library tour!



More Information, Guidance and Things You Need to Know

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



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Thank you and good luck!