

# Recognition Scheme for Educational Oversight: report of the monitoring visit of Trinity College Dublin at Belfast, May 2023

#### Outcome of the monitoring visit

1 From the evidence provided in the annual return and at the monitoring visit, the review team concludes that Trinity College Dublin at Belfast (the College) is making acceptable progress with continuing to monitor, review and enhance its higher education provision since the May 2022 Educational Oversight annual monitoring visit.

### Changes since the last QAA monitoring visit

There have been no substantive changes since the last desk-based monitoring visit to the College in Belfast. No new programmes have been added in the last year and there have been no staff changes. Recruitment to the MPhil Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation with eight international students is down from the previous year's total of 13. The College also has five PhD students in Belfast, two of whom are in their final year.

### Findings from the monitoring visit

3 The annual monitoring visit was undertaken via a desk-based analysis and online meetings with senior staff and postgraduate students. The desk-based analysis involved scrutiny of documentation including external examiner reports; minutes of Trinity College Dublin meetings within the School of Religion, Theology and Peace Studies; minutes of Postgraduate Studies Committee meetings; data on retention and achievement; internal and external quality reports; and evidence of the student voice. Consideration of the evidence confirmed that the College in Belfast consistently monwith

monitored by the Postgraduate Studies Committee. Good practice enabled through the provision of a wide range of learning opportunities rips, placements and practice-related modules. The College continues to alified staff, including full-time and visiting academics with a wide range of pertise, and invites well-known guest speakers. Students have access to the st and Trinity College Dublin libraries as well as associate membership of resity Belfast library. Together, these provide a wide range of resources to ts' studies.

recommendation from the HER(FP) report was to provide clear and lback on all assessed student work to support students in focusing on their elopment. A new marking rubric was agreed by the Postgraduate Studies October 2021 and implemented in September 2022, though the impact has yet uated. The development and implementation of a more detailed rubric to and consistent feedback has, in part, addressed the recommendation.

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