

Discipline of Geography First Year Timetable 2021/2022

First year - 1BA				
Semester 1				
ECTs	Module	Coordinator	Day, Time	Assessment
5	TI150 Principles of Human Geography	Dr John McDonagh	Asynchronous online lectures; support sessions for smaller groups: Group 1: Mondays 3pm; OhEocha Theatre Group 2: Tuesdays 5pm; Anderson Theatre Group 3: Wednesdays 12pm; O'Flaherty Theatre	CA / MCQ
10	TI1100/TI1101 Geography in Practice (GiP)	Dr Valerie Ledwith	Asynchronous online lectures; in-person tutorials. Details in GiP handbook	CA
Semester 2				
5	TI151 Principles of Physical Geography	Dr John McDonagh	Asynchronous online lectures; support sessions for smaller groups.	CA / MCQ
10	TI1100/TI1101 Geography in Practice (GiP)	Dr Valerie Ledwith	Asynchronous online lectures; in-person tutorials	CA

STUDENT GROUPINGS

In order to ensure that all students have a meaningful and safe on-campus experience, the first year cohort will be divided into three smaller groups for geography information sessions and tutorials. Students will be assigned as follows:

Group 1 – Students with last names beginning with **A-G**

- O'hEocha Theatre, Arts Millenium Building (Mondays at 3pm)

Group 2 - Students with last names beginning with **H-M**

- Anderson Theatre, Arts Science Concourse (Tuesdays at 5pm)

Group 3 - Students with last names beginning with **N-Z**

- O'Flaherty Theatre, Arts Science Concourse (Wednesdays at noon)

In order to ensure compliance with COVID-19 health and safety requirements, students must only attend their assigned sessions. This is to ensure adequate social distancing and efficient contact tracing, should the need arise.

SCHEDULE FOR ON CAMPUS LEARNING

Week 1

Students will be introduced to TI150 (Human Geography) and TI1100 /TI1101 (Geography in Practice). This is an opportunity to meet the team in person and ask questions about course delivery and/or assessment.

Week 2

Students will be given an overview of how the remaining weeks will run. This is another opportunity to ask the course coordinator questions about geography. Recorded lectures for TI150 will be available on Blackboard from Week 2.

Week 3-12

Students should avail of tutorial support to help with TI150 material and Geography in Practice exercises.

Week 12 - MCQ Course Examination

Key contacts in Geography

Head of Geography

[Dr John McDonagh](#)

Geography Administrator

[Christina Costello](#)

Senior Technician/Cartographer

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[Dr John McDonagh](#)

1 BA Geography in Practice Coordinator

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1BA Geography Module Outlines 2020/2021

Module: TI 150 Principles of Human Geography

Coordinator: Dr John McDonagh

This course seeks to introduce key problems, concepts and contexts within human geography. Its focus is a contemporary one: it strives to illuminate the world of today by exploring and analysing the origin of central issues that make the headlines (or not) in the media and beyond. The course places lectures alongside the information given in the textbook; for examination purposes, both are essential. Major Themes covered in TI 150 (subject to change depending on staff availability) Rural Geographies, Cultural Geographies, Environment and Society, Social Geographies, Economic Geographies, Political Geographies, Development Geographies, Urban Geographies.

Note: Due to the large numbers and the consequent restrictions this module will be delivered through Asynchronous online lectures, all lecture material will be available through Blackboard.

In terms of broader support for this module (TI150), students will be divided into 3 groups - a Monday; Tues and Wednesday group (see above) to avail of in class teaching in the form of smaller group tutorials.

TI 151 Principles of Physical Geography

Coordinator: Dr John McDonagh

This course is designed to provide insight and understanding to the fundamental concepts and principles of physical geography as an academic discipline. In doing this, the course explores how the physical environment functions; how different environmental systems interact and how the physical environment impacts on human activities. The course explores the various components that make up these environmental systems, such as the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere and geosphere. In addition the course also provides some understanding of how these fundamentals apply to Ireland and in so doing gives an insight into the richness of the physical geography of Ireland. Major Themes covered in TI 151: The Biosphere: Biogeography – species distribution and ecosystems, The Atmosphere: Weather and Climate, The Hydrosphere: Rivers The Geosphere: Coasts

TI 1100 and TI 1101 Geography in Practice (GiP)

Coordinator: Dr Valerie Ledwith

This module introduces first year geography students to a range of skill-based exercises designed to enhance their learning experience and develop their research competences. Supported by on-line lectures and class-based tutorials, students undertake a series of exercises on referencing, academic writing, mapping, data analysis and fieldwork that will reinforce the skills geographers use every day. Further information on each exercise and submission dates is available in the TI1100/TI1101 handbook on Blackboard.