

About Trinity College London

Trinity College London is a leading international exam board and independent education charity that has been providing assessments around the world since 1877. They specialise in the assessment of communicative and performance skills covering music, drama, combined arts and English language. Trinity qualifications are specifically designed to help students progress, and to inspire teachers and learners through the creation of assessments that are enjoyable to prepare for, rewarding to teach and that develop the skills needed in real life.

At the heart of Trinity's work is the belief that effective communicative and performance skills are life enhancing, know no boundaries and should be within reach of us all. We exist to promote and foster the best possible communicative and performance skills through assessment, content and training that is innovative, personal and authentic.

Objective of the qualifications

Trinity's graded acting and speaking exams provide a structured yet flexible framework for progress, which encourages learners of all levels and abilities to demonstrate their skills in performing and speaking through engaging with as wide a variety of performance activities and texts as possible. The exams assess performance and speaking skills through face-to-face practical assessment. They offer learners of any age the opportunity to measure their development as performers against a series of internationally understood benchmarks, taking them from beginner level to the point where they can progress to entry for Trinity's performance diplomas, higher education or employment.

Who are the Qualifications For?

Trinity's graded and certificate qualifications in acting and speaking are open to all learners, and their content is designed to appeal to people of all ages and backgrounds. There is no requirement for candidates to have passed a lower level or any other qualification before entering for these exams. However, the different levels represent a programme for progressive development, and the outcomes assume mastery of the previous level(s).

Trinity offer a wide range of examinations and NTR are looking to expand our offer of these in the future. However, most students take:

Acting - Grades 1-8

The Acting (solo) exams are designed for learners who want to focus on vocal, physical and characterisation skills in dramatic performance. Candidates perform and show knowledge and understanding of play extracts from a range of periods and styles, and they engage with devised forms of theatre. Unless otherwise stated, there is free choice for the performance pieces.

Speech and Drama – Grades 1-8

The Speech and Drama exams are designed for learners who want to engage with a variety of spoken and performance forms. Candidates perform and show knowledge and understanding of play extracts, poetry and prose from different periods and in a range of styles. Unless otherwise stated, there is free choice for the performance pieces.

Assessment and Marking

At the end of each term students will take their exams here at Stage Two which are normally assessed by one Trinity examiner who watches the work presented. Examiners are all professionals who are working within the industry. The examiner writes a report on the extent to which the candidate has met the learning outcomes of the qualification and awards marks in line with the published assessment criteria and attainment descriptors.

The students will receive their mark on the day of the exam.

Recognition and UCAS Points

Trinity College London is an international exam board regulated by Ofqual (Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation) in England, CCEA Regulation in Northern Ireland and by Qualifications Wales. Various arrangements are in place with governmental education authorities worldwide. All solo and pair graded qualifications are on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF). In the UK, Trinity's Level 3 (Grades 6–8) solo and pair qualifications in drama are eligible for UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service) points for those applying to colleges and universities, as follows:

Grade 6 UCAS POINTS PASS 8 | MERIT 10 | DISTINCTION 12

Grade 7 UCAS POINTS PASS 12 | MERIT 14 | DISTINCTION 16

Grade 8 UCAS POINTS PASS 24 | MERIT 27 | DISTINCTION 30

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