

## **Bord Tacaíochta Gaeilge UCD (BTG)**

### **Purpose and Function**

The purpose of *Bord Tacaíochta Gaeilge UCD* is

- (i) to support the University in the promotion, preservation and use of the Irish language and the preservation and promotion of the distinctive cultures of Ireland" in accordance with Part III, Ch. 1 (12) of the Universities Act
- (ii) to promote the use of the Irish language as a language of general communication and promote the cultivation of the Irish language and its associated literary and cultural traditions. Part II, Ch.2 (18)

### **Terms of Reference**

To approve a strategy aimed at preserving and promoting the use of the Irish language in the university and to promote and cultivate literary and cultural traditions associated with the Irish language.

To recommend mechanisms and approaches, reflective of best practice, which will assist in the preservation, promotion and use of the Irish language particularly as a form of general communication.

To consider and recommend to Governing Authority policies and procedures to enable the preservation, promotion and use of the Irish language in the University.

To identify occasions and situations which negatively impact the promotion, preservation and use of the Irish language and suggest appropriate action to limit this.

To contribute to the enhancement of an inclusive University in line with the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion strategy where all cultures and traditions, including the distinctive cultures of Ireland, are respected.

### **Composition**

The following shall be members of the board:

- The Chair, nominated by the President
- Nominee of the Governing Authority
- Nominee of Vice-President for Global Engagement
- Director of Gaeltacht UCD/UCD Global Centre for Irish Language & Culture
- Assistant Irish Language Administrator, Gaeltacht UCD/UCD Global Centre for Irish Language & Culture

- Nominee of UCD School of Irish, Celtic Studies and Irish Folklore
- Nominee of President of UCD Students' Union
- Student Nominee from Cumann Gaelach UCD
- Nominee from an external organisation with interests related to the global Irish language community
- Representative from Gaeltacht UCD Alumni
- Nominee from each of the UCD Colleges

### **Group Support**

BTG shall be supported by Gaeltacht UCD/ UCD Global Centre for Irish Language & Culture

### **Conduct of Business**

BTG shall meet at least twice a year

All meetings shall be held through the medium of Irish and all board business communicated in Irish

The meetings shall be convened by the Chair with a minimum of seven days' notice of a meeting

The members of the board may not nominate others to attend meetings on their behalf

### **Reporting Responsibility**

*Bord Tacaíochta Gaeilge UCD* (BTG) shall report to the Governing Authority with reports indicating items for decision by the GA and items for communication to the GA. Items for decision should be accompanied by the recommendation of the board.