THE IRELAND FUNDS
**FLAGSHIP**
AWARD

# The **Power** of **Work**

With a Flagship Grant from The Ireland Funds,

**THE TRINITY CENTRE FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES** is ensuring that its graduates have meaningful employment opportunities.

**THE GREAT SCIENTIST JONAS SALK ONCE SAID, "THE REWARD FOR WORK WELL DONE IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO MORE."**

At the Trinity Centre for People with Intellectual Disabilities (TCPID) people with intellectual disabilities are participating in a higher education program designed to enhance their capacity to fully participate in society as independent adults.
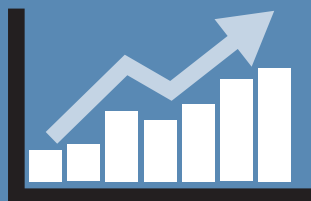
Thanks to a Flagship Award from The Ireland Funds, the program has been able to expand and success stories are emerging as graduates move into the work world and experience the power and pride of employment.

The program goes far beyond simply offering life skills and orientation to the college experience. A high academic standard of learning is offered and key skills which prepare graduates for various employment environments are developed. The course is accredited and as a result, for the first time ever, graduates from the program receive a Level 5 qualification which equips them to move on to further education and/or employment.

## THE IRELAND FUNDS FLAGSHIP AWARD OF €80,000 ENABLED TCPID TO:

Support a business internship program
for **12 graduates**

Create guidelines on business internship programs to inform and support

Increase the number of business partnerships from **18 to 30**

Develop a Graduate Internship Program extending on the **two-year** certificate in Arts, Science and Inclusive Applied Practice in Trinity College Dublin. The program now includes a third year of employment internship experiences.



### PARTNERS PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WITH TCPID INCLUDE:

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| Abbott Ireland | Chartered | Fidelity Investments | KPMG | McCann FitzGerald |
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**In January of 2019, Niamh, Marian and Mark were among the first-ever graduates of the TCPID Certificate in Arts, Science and Inclusive Applied Practice**

# Niamh Biddulph

**"I like to challenge myself.** I like the chance to learn new skills. It's amazing that over just a couple years the course made me feel more positive about myself. I know I have the potential to do something."

- *Student placement & internship with Bank of Ireland*
- *Graduate internship with A&L Goodbody*
- *Graduate internship with An Post*

# Marian O'Rourke

**"I'm from Co. Wicklow.** I work at Cpl in the finance area of their Shared Services with Excel Reports, Data Review and Payroll. It has changed my life."

- *Student placement with Bank of Ireland*
- *Graduate internship with the National Treasury Management Agency (NTMA) and Cpl Resources*
- *Permanent contract with Cpl Resources*

# Mark Hogan

**"Since I was a kid, it was my dream.** I'd love to work in an office. I'm happy to be here in EY."

- *Student placement and graduate internship with EY*
- *Permanent contract with EY*

VIDEO: **Watch video of Mark's experience at EY as a graduate of TCPID**