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Dublin Institute of Technology (DIT) has opened its new Grangegorman campus to the first 1,000 students.

The initial phase of the development in Dublin's north inner city, which will unify DIT on a single campus - focussed on the development of 19th century buildings on the old Grangegorman site, previously home to St Brendan’s Hospital.

"Today we welcome our new DIT students at Grangegorman in art design, photography, visual communication and social sciences,” Professor Brian Norton President at DIT told independent.ie.

"There are lots of lecture theatres, designer studios and cafeterias. But interestingly we also have sports facilities, a gymnasium with a fit-to-go studio and dance studios.”

"On the campus, we have two churches – one of which has been refurbished as a multi-use space. It will be used as a churches on Sundays but on other days of the week it will be used for a whole range of events including evening events,” he said.
The next phase will allow for 10,000 students to move on campus in 2017, coinciding with the arrival of the Luas line through the area, and work will continue until 2020.

Tánaiste Joan Burton, Public Expenditure Minister Brendan Howlin, Education Minster Jan O'Sullivan and Transport Minister Pascal Donohoe, visited the campus yesterday.

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