UCD Certificate in Safety & Health at Work

Programme Code: CTLSC011 Major Code: X285

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Understanding your Certificate

The Certificate programme is intended for managers, supervisors, safety representatives and others who have some responsibility for safety and health at work or those with an interest in safety and health in the workplace. The programme is an introduction to all aspects of safety and health at work. This is a blended learning programme, delivered in online and face-to-face formats, with comprehensive learning materials. It is delivered between September and May.

Admission requirements

- Students will normally be working adults while undertaking the programme.
- Successful applicants will have a minimum of a good level of upper secondary education, be able to write reports and have reasonable computer literacy.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTs 7.0 (no band less than 6.5 in each element), or equivalent.
- If you can click on and watch the e-learning sample lecture on our webpage http://www.ucd.ie/cshw/, your software is suitable for this programme.
- Places are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Mapping your Certificate

- This is a one-year, part-time multi-disciplinary Certificate programme.
- The programme is mapped at level 7 on the NQAI (National Qualifications Authority of Ireland) framework and level 1 UCD.
- It is an introduction to a comprehensive range of topics relating to safety and health in the workplace including: legislation; risk and safety management; identification of physical, chemical, psycho-social, and ergonomic hazards; occupational health hazard management and occupational safety hazard management.
- Lectures are given by leading experts in each topic, from various Schools and Colleges within UCD and other universities, the Irish Health and Safety Authority and public and private sector industries.
- This programme will be of interest to individuals and also to large companies/organisations who wish to train a cohort of employees, managers and/or supervisors to a consistent standard.
- See the UCD Certificate in Safety and Health at Work video on the home page of our website for further details: http://www.ucd.ie/cshw/

Modules

The programme is arranged in four modules:

- Principles of Occupational Safety and Health.
- Occupational Health Hazard Management.
- Occupational Safety Hazard Management.
- Occupational Safety and Health Project.*

*This module is undertaken in the student's own time, with comprehensive text support from UCD.

Each module is assessed by assignment and examination. Students who successfully complete the requirements of all modules will be awarded a Certificate.

Further information on individual modules is available on http://www.ucd.ie/students/course_search.htm

Blended learning

Learning takes place through an engaging blend of asynchronous online lectures, attendance in UCD for tutorials, and online interaction activities. The online lectures are made available weekly and are supported by pre-lecture and post-lecture learning activities. Students can submit questions online following each lecture and take part in online discussion.

Commitment required of students

- Students are expected to participate in mandatory orientation activities (September 25th 2015) and three other tutorial-day activities throughout the academic year. Dates are provided below, so please ensure you are available to participate.
- Students will view a weekly lecture video online (about 1 hour) at a time that suits them (asynchronous) and engage with pre-lecture and post-lecture learning activities.
- Students will also be required to devote a number of hours each week for personal study of the provided learning materials, to complete assignments and to meet the learning outcomes of the programme. Personal study time will vary for different individuals, but past students average 2-3 hours per week.
- UCD expects that students who register to its programmes are committed to being available on scheduled tutorial and examination dates.



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Career opportunities

Students who successfully complete the UCD Certificate in Safety and Health at Work will be able to advise management on a range of OSH issues in their workplace. The UCD Certificate in Safety and Health at Work is accredited by the UK Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) as the academic requirement for the Tech IOSH grade of membership. Applicants for membership will also need to be able to demonstrate five years pre and/or post-course experience at an appropriate level in health and safety practice. Further information is available at http://www.iosh.co.uk

Programme fees

Fees include tuition and examination fees. The fee schedule for all programmes is shown on the UCD Fees website (http://www.ucd.ie/fees/) and refers to the fee for a single academic year. Further information regarding fees is available on the UCD Fees website.

Important dates and information

- Successful applicants will be notified promptly.
- Closing date for receipt of applications is the last working day of July.
- Late applicants may be considered if the quota is not reached by applicants who have applied on time.
- The programme is delivered online between September and May.
- Mandatory orientation activities take place on September 25th 2015. Other live tutorial and examination activities take place on the following dates:
 - December 4th 2015
 - March 4th 2016
 - May 13th 2016

How to apply

Applicants apply using the UCD online application system. To apply, simply click on http://www.ucd.ie/apply and follow the instructions. A non-refundable application fee applies. The application fee is paid online. Further information on aspects of completing the online form, including programme codes and 'Frequently Asked Questions' are available on our website, http://www.ucd.ie/cshw/applications/

English language requirements

- Applicants whose first language is not English and whose primary degree was obtained in a country where English is not the official language of instruction must provide proof of proficiency in English such as IELTS or TOEFL.
- The original certificate of completion of an English language test must be submitted with the application.
- Test results must not be more than 2 years old.
- Please visit our website http://www.ucd.ie/cshw/internationaloshstudents/ for minimum test score requirements.

Other programmes that may be of interest

The following programmes are normally offered on UCD Belfield campus:

- Higher Diploma in Safety, Health and Welfare at Work.
- Graduate Diploma/MSc in Occupational Safety and Health at Work.
- MSc in Safety, Health and Environment Management (partially delivered online).

The following is a blended online learning programme:

Professional Certificate in Environmental Management.

Information sheets about these programmes are available from our website: http://www.ucd.ie/cshw/programmescourses/

Further information

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