

# Graduate Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health / MSc in Occupational Safety and Health

GDOSH Programme Code: GDLSC002  
GDOSH Major Code: X375

MSc in OSH Programme Code: MTLSC007  
MSc in OSH Major Code: X061

GRADUATE PART-TIME

UCD School of Public Health,  
Physiotherapy and Sports  
Science

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## Understanding your Degree

The Grad Dip/MSc in OSH is a multidisciplinary graduate programme, designed for graduates who are engaged in Occupational Safety and Health (OSH), who have not previously achieved a higher level qualification in OSH. At the end of their programme, students will have developed the ability to develop and implement health and safety management and risk management systems relevant to the OSH needs of their professional discipline; professional and academic writing skills; self-management and self-directive skills and research skills.

## Admission requirements

- Applicants should be honours graduates (2.1 or above) of an Irish level 8 degree or international equivalent in a cognate discipline.
- They should normally be working adults.
- They should have at least three 3 years work experience at the time of application.
- Priority is given to those active in Occupational Safety and Health
- Applicants must supply transcripts of their primary degree and all supporting documentation overleaf at the time of application.

## Mapping your Diploma/Degree

- This programme is mapped at level 9 on the National Qualifications Authority of Ireland (NQAI) framework.
- On successful completion of this programme, graduates will be able to progress to a variety of graduate degrees.

## Modules include (but are not confined to):

- OSH30010 Safety and Health Legislation
- OSH40010 Health and Safety Management
- OSH40020 Occupational Health
- OSH40030 Occupational Hygiene
- OSH40050 Human and Organisational Behaviour at Work
- PHPS40550 Applied Research Methods and Data Management
- OSH40040 Chemical Safety and Toxicology
- OSH40060 Safety Technology
- OSH40130 Dissertation

Further information on individual modules is available on [http://www.ucd.ie/students/course\\_search.htm](http://www.ucd.ie/students/course_search.htm)

## Commitment required from students

- This part-time programme is designed to be completed over two full years. The MSc in OSH programme will be completed over six semesters.
- Assignments, project work and self-directed learning are required during the summer semester between the two academic years of study, and MSc students will complete their dissertation during the summer semester at the end of the second academic years.
- Lectures will normally be held on Fridays (9 am - 5 pm) in Year 1 and on Tuesdays (9 am - 5 pm) in Year 2.
- Thesis supervision in Year 2 takes place outside of scheduled programme times/days.
- Assessment strategies include continuous assessment, assignments, projects and examinations.
- UCD expects that students who register to its programmes are in a position to commit to attending and being available during term dates and on scheduled programme, supervision and assessment dates.
- Term dates for the next academic year are available on <http://www.ucd.ie/students/keydates.htm>

## Career opportunities

The programme is designed for graduates who have a professional interest, or growing responsibility, in the area of OSH. Successful completion of this programme qualifies candidates to apply for graduate membership of IOSH (UK) and, subject to experience and other entry requirements, graduates may become a chartered member of the Institute (CMIOSH) and use the title Chartered Safety and Health Practitioner. Further information is available at <http://www.iosh.co.uk>

## Venue

Classes are normally held on the UCD Belfield campus.

## 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, including the fee schedule for non-EU nationals and the annual fee for the outgoing year.



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## Important dates and information

- Successful applicants will be notified promptly.
- Closing date for receipt of completed applications is the last working day of June.
- Late applicants may be considered if the quota is not reached by applicants who have applied on time.
- The first day of the programme will be Friday September 9th 2016.

## How to apply

You can 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/>

## What must be provided with each application?

In order for your application to be considered, all of the following items must be submitted online, on or before the application closing date.

- CV (maximum 2 pages).
- A personal statement of approximately 500 words. The personal statement should focus on your interest in OSH, how you expect the programme will impact on your career and how you plan to balance your work, life and study commitments.
- Copies of degree parchments as well as full transcripts of results.
- Provision of original documentation for verification may be necessary prior to registration. Please visit UCD Registry webpage ([http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/Apply\\_Verify.html](http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/Apply_Verify.html)) for further information.

- If your first language is not English, you must submit the original certificate of completion of an English test.

## 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.
- For IELTS (International English Language Testing System – Academic): a minimum overall band score of 7.0 is required with a result not less than 6.5 in each of the individual sections.
- For TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language): Internet Based Test: a minimum total score of 100 out of 120 is required, with a score not less than 22 in Reading and Listening, not less than 26 in Speaking and not less than 24 in the test of written English.
- For the Paper Based Test: A minimum total score of 600 is required with a score not less than 5.0 in the test of Written English.
- Test results must not be more than 2 years old.

## Note

- Canvassing by applicants, or any other person on their behalf, is not advised.
- Incomplete applications will delay your application process; please ensure that all sections of the online application form are completed, and include copies of all relevant documentation on, or in advance of, the deadline as requested.

## Other programmes that may be of interest

Degree graduates, who have already completed the HDipSHWW or equivalent and who wish to progress to MSc level, should contact the UCD Centre for Safety and Health at Work.

## Further information

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## Graduate Diploma/Master of Science in Occupational Safety and Health

**Vision:** the education of graduates from cognate disciplines to proactively manage prevailing occupational safety and health risks, to design effective solutions and become leaders in embedding a health and safety culture in the working environment.

**Mission Statement:** The programme provides a high-quality, research-focused educational experience for graduates through engagement with leading experts and peers, using an evidence-base to integrate up-to-date health and safety principles, practice and legal frameworks into professional practice.

