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MSc World Heritage Conservation

(Three Years Part Time) (Online)

The World Heritage Convention is designed to encourage all countries to meet certain standards in protecting natural and cultural heritage, and is considered one of the most effective global instruments to protect heritage properties. With 191 States Parties to the World Heritage Convention and all heritage properties facing conservation challenges, there is a growing need for professionals who understand how the Convention operates in terms of nomination, monitoring, conservation reporting and mitigation of threats.

The MSc, Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate in World Heritage Conservation are part-time, online, distance learning courses designed to equip you with current thinking and professional understanding of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention. The programme will provide you with the knowledge base, skills and confidence to address World Heritage issues and to advance your career in this field.

The 30-credit 1-year Graduate Certificate will give you a competitive advantage as a heritage professional working on projects relating to World Heritage properties and heritage conservation in general.

The 60-credit 2-year Graduate Diploma and the 90-credit 3-year MSc builds on knowledge and skills gained in the first year, developing more comprehensive knowledge and further specialisation in World Heritage Conservation.

Key Fact

This UCD course is the first online Distance Learning programme in World Heritage Conservation in the world.

Why study at UCD?



Tradition

Established 1854, with 160 years of teaching & research excellence



Global profile

UCD is ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide



Global community

Over 6,000 international students from over 120 countries study at UCD



Global careers

Degrees with high employability; dedicated careers support; 1 year stay-back visa



Safety

Modern parkland campus with 24 hour security, minutes from Dublin city centre

Course Content and Structure

90 credits taught masters

80 credits taught modules

10 credits

Through independent learning, project work and discussion forums you will receive a comprehensive curriculum designed to provide you with knowledge and understanding of the following topics:

Graduate Certificate/ Diploma/Masters

- The World Heritage Convention and international strategies for conservation
- Cultural heritage, sustainable development and diversity
- Global biodiversity and heritage

Graduate Diploma/Masters

- Management plans
- Conservation strategies, best practices and case studies
- Project writing, critical reviews and reporting

Masters

- Sustainable strategies
- Project Management and marketing
- A research topic of your choice



Modules and topics shown are subject to change and are not guaranteed by UCD.



Reflecting the spirit of the Convention, to safeguard natural and cultural heritage through an integrated approach, this programme provides graduates with a unique multidisciplinary perspective addressing conservation issues of both natural and cultural heritage. We give you the opportunity to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to understand the working of the Convention and for decision making in areas related to the nomination and conservation of World Heritage properties.



Areas that graduates can find work in include the advancement in international conservation for managerial and policy positions in government, agencies, private practices and NGOs. The qualifications will contribute to career development for heritage custodians and stewards, ranging from national heritage and conservation officers to international conservation agencies.

Apply Now

This programme receives significant interest so please apply early online at www.ucd.ie/apply

Entry Requirements

- This programme is intended for applicants from a diverse academic background, including
 Archaeology, Architecture, Geography, Biology, Arts, Agriculture, Engineering, Environmental
 Science and Economics. We welcome a diverse group of participants with a wide range of
 experience in different areas of cultural and natural heritage, to provide for a dynamic
 forum for discussion and interaction.
- Applicants are normally expected to have a lower second class honours degree, or equivalent work experience.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Fees

Tuition fee information is available on www.ucd.ie/fees.

Additional Course Delivery Options

- Graduate Diploma World Heritage Conservation 2 Years Part Time Online
- Graduate Certificate World Heritage Conservation 1 Year Part Time Online

Related Masters Programmes of Interest

 MSc World Heritage Management & Conservation

Graduate Profile

Margaret Gowen, Archaeologist and Cultural Heritage Consultant and member ICAHM/ ICOMOS and occasional advisor to the WH Centre ICOMOS Paris



The Distance Learning offers any graduate with an interest in the world, its heritage, cultures and natural environment, the scope to engage in study of World Heritage at a variety of levels and from a range of perspectives. The course documents are succinct and comprehensive, and are backed up by an extensive array of recommended and referenced reading and AV material. "Way-finding" to web resources and access to the treasury of online libraries is one of the great pleasures of the course, as is the discretion to read and record and reflect on one's discrete responses to the recommended reading in the Study Journal as the course progresses.

EU Enquiries

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