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MSc World Heritage Management & Conservation (One Year Full Time)

At present, the Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage is considered one of the most effective global instruments to protect natural and cultural properties. With increasing globalisation of heritage, the conservation and management of World Heritage has emerged as an interdisciplinary field of study creating new opportunities for inclusive heritage debate and dialogue both locally and globally, requiring common tools and understanding. This MSc in World Heritage Management & Conservation is for applicants motivated to protect and conserve world natural and cultural heritage.

This MSc provides graduates with a thorough knowledge of the World Heritage Convention and its application in solving heritage conservation problems. It will equip you with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to develop a career or to up-skill your professional experience in the development of management and conservation strategies for the protection of heritage. The programme will examine remedial action and preparedness strategies in response to threats to heritage such as unsustainable tourism activities, inappropriate uses and development pressures, climate change and natural disasters as well as invasive species and habitat fragmentation.

Key Fact

This UCD MSc is the only World Heritage Management course in Ireland and was one of the first of its kind 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

60 credits
taught modules

30 credits
research project

Topics include:

- Heritage and Environmental Interpretation
- International Strategies and the World Heritage Convention
- Sustainable Development
- Project Development, Management & Marketing
- Conflict Resolution and Conservation
- Cultural Heritage
- Global Biodiversity and Heritage
- Conservation Biology
- Remote Sensing
- Climate Change
- Archaeology & World Heritage Management
- Cultural Landscapes

The research project is carried out in the field and is designed to explore and resolve a practical management problem at a World Heritage Site or equivalent reserve in your home country or abroad. Every effort is made to develop a project which takes account of the background, interests and long-term aspirations of individual students.



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

Career Opportunities

Our graduates are building successful careers in the inter-disciplinary field of heritage protection, management and research in Australia, Canada, China, Democratic Republic of Congo, England, Ethiopia, France, Georgia, Ireland, Italy, Uganda and the USA. Employers include international organisations, national authorities and in the private sector. They have secured positions in World Heritage properties, National Parks and Museums, in senior government positions and positions in education. Examples of roles graduates have obtained and sectors they work in include World Heritage and Protected Area Manager, Heritage Officer and Education Officer, positions in government, Natural Resources Manager, Consultancy firms and Research and International Conservation agencies.



Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fee information is available on www.ucd.ie/fees. Please note that UCD offers a number of postgraduate scholarships for full-time, self-funding international students, holding an offer of a place on masters programmes. Please visit www.ucd.ie/international/scholarships for further information.

Facilities and Resources

This programme gives you the opportunity to visit Ireland's most iconic World Heritage Site, Bru na Boinne, as well as Doñana World Heritage property and Seville city in the South of Spain, giving you unparalleled access to the management strategies of these unique properties.

Apply Now

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

Entry Requirements

- Applicants are normally expected to have a minimum of a lower second class honours degree. However, in special circumstances, relevant work experience may be taken into account. Applicants with diverse academic backgrounds including Archaeology, Architecture, Geography, Biology, Arts, Agriculture, Engineering and Economics will be considered.
- 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

Graduate Profile

Eiru Olinga Moses,
Uganda Wildlife Authority



The World Heritage Management course is an interdisciplinary programme which enhances interaction between nature, culture and man. Through this course, I was able to develop practical skills, pedagogic proficiency and theoretical insights on aspects that make up this interaction. The course included approaches to working in and sharing experiences with other students. This has improved my communication skills and enhanced my ability to craft solutions to various conservation challenges.

Accommodation

UCD has accommodation for over 2,500 students across five locations. Places are limited and more information is available at www.ucd.ie/residences/. For information and advice on living off campus, please contact the UCD Residences Off-Campus Office or the UCD Student Union Accommodation Services. Please visit www.ucd.ie/residences/accommodation-booking-support/ for further details.

Additional Course Delivery Options

- MSc World Heritage Management & Conservation 2 Year Part Time

Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- Graduate Diploma World Heritage Conservation
- Graduate Certificate World Heritage Conservation

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