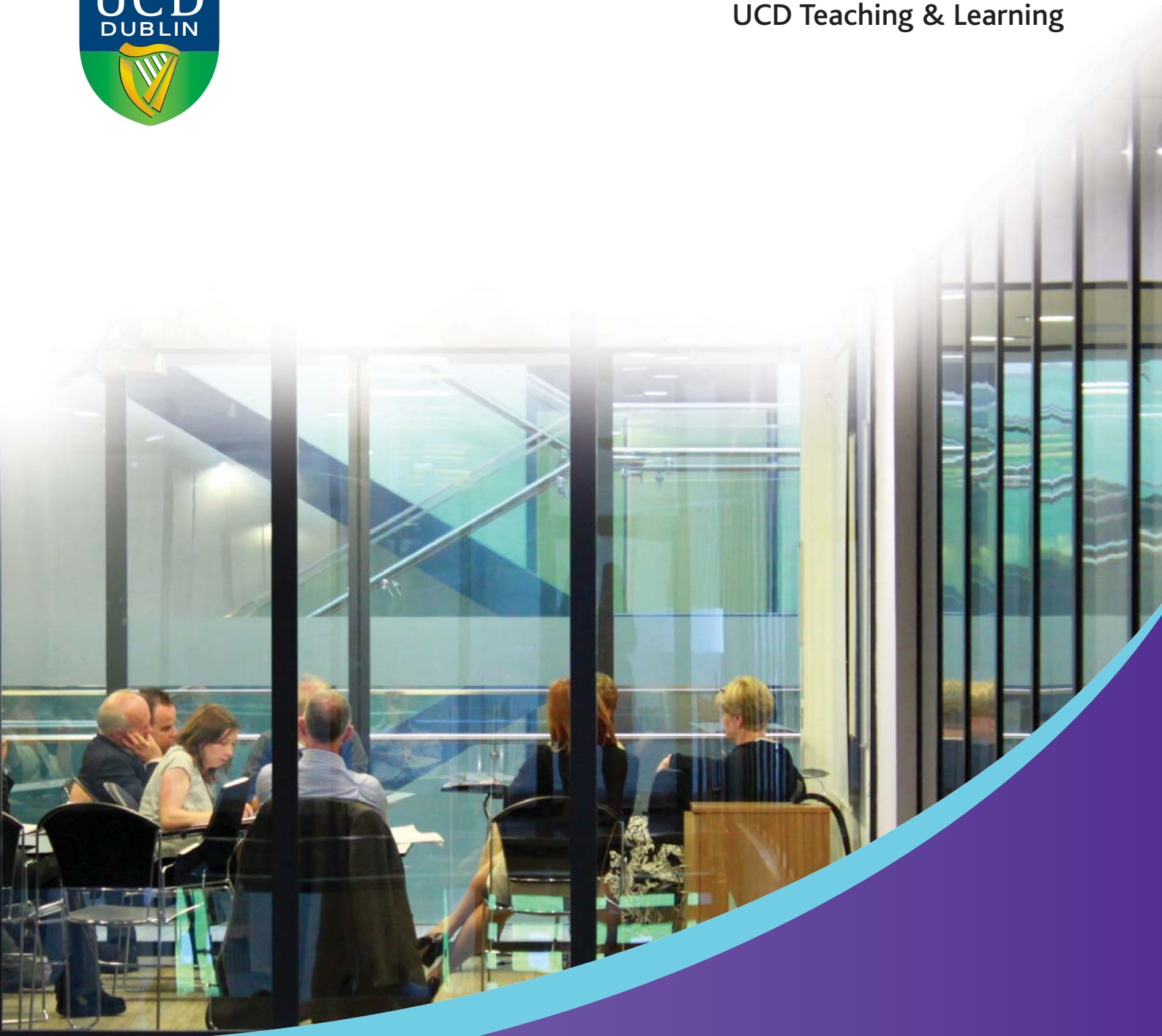




UCD Teaching & Learning



Obtain a Qualification in University Teaching

PROSPECTUS 2010 - 2012



The re-launched Diploma in University Teaching & Learning offers academics, at different stages of their careers, opportunities to review and improve their teaching skills and their understanding of approaches and theories in effective higher education. The new diploma has been designed to allow staff to study in a flexible manner to best suit their personal circumstances.

Academics at the start of their careers will develop the skills to work effectively in the classroom and learn to draw on pedagogical theory in informing their teaching.

The diploma offers more experienced staff the opportunity to re-energise their teaching and to try out new approaches to assessment and curriculum design. Credit may be awarded for prior learning on a case by case basis at the discretion of the board of studies. Contact me at tim.mcmahon@ucd.ie for more information.

Dr Tim McMahon
Director Teaching & Learning Programmes

Modules on offer for the academic year 2010-11

MODULE	LEARNING MODE	SEMESTER	CREDITS
Designing & Developing Curricula for Higher Education	Regular tutorials	1	15 ECTS
Problem-based Learning in Higher Education	Regular tutorials	2	15 ECTS
Becoming a Better University Teacher	Mainly online	1 & 2	5 ECTS
Assessing & Teaching for Learning	Mainly online	1 & 2	5 ECTS
The Scholarship of Teaching	Mainly online	1 & 2	5 ECTS
Supporting Graduate Teaching Assistants*	Project-based	1	5 ECTS

Modules on offer for the academic year 2011-12

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Literature Review in Teaching & Learning in Higher Education	Regular tutorials	1	15 ECTS
Writing for Publication in Teaching & Learning	Regular tutorials	2	15 ECTS
Becoming a Better University Teacher	Mainly online	1 & 2	5 ECTS
Session Plans & Modules	Mainly online	1 & 2	5 ECTS
Supporting Graduate Teaching Assistants*	Project-based	1	5 ECTS
Evaluating Teaching	Project-based	1	5 ECTS
Peer Observation of Teaching 1	Project-based	1	5 ECTS
Peer Observation of Teaching 2	Project-based	2	5 ECTS

*This module is run on a discipline-specific basis. See the website for the latest information

Programme registration takes place each September

BUILD CREDITS FOR THE QUALIFICATION OF YOUR CHOICE

Applicants should initially apply online at www.ucd.ie/apply for the Graduate Diploma in University Teaching and Learning programme and may subsequently exit with the qualification of their choice:

Graduate Certificate in University Teaching and Learning 30 ECTS Credits

Graduate Diploma in University Teaching and Learning 60 ECTS Credits

Special Purpose Awards in University Teaching and Learning 15 ECTS Credits & 25 ECTS Credits

For more detailed information including application requirements go to www.ucd.ie/teaching or contact teachingandlearning@ucd.ie telephone: +353-1-716-2034

Application deadline: 31st July

NEW FEATURES

FLEXIBLE CONTENT

You can take modules in any order and in any combination. Schools and subject areas can design their own continuing professional development programmes and have them validated for credit.

FLEXIBLE DELIVERY

Only one of the eight 5 credit modules requires regular attendance at timetabled classes. Seven of the 5 credit modules can be taken either mainly online or as a mentored self-directed project.

SELF-PACE LEARNING

You can take anywhere from 5 to 30 credits per academic year. Modules are either 5 credits or 15 credits each.

BUILD ON YOUR EXPERIENCE

Do you want to develop your students' critical and creative thinking?

Learn to design interesting & challenging, real-life problems in different media for your students. **Problem-based learning (PBL) in Higher Education** is one of the modules on offer for 2010-2011. (15 credits)

FLEXIBLE DELIVERY TO SUIT YOUR NEEDS



DEVELOP YOUR TEACHING SKILLS

Are you interested in exploring creative, innovative curriculum design ideas to enhance student experience?

Learn curriculum design theories to support programme design & evaluation. Prepare for programme, institutional, professional and/or quality review. **Designing & Developing Curricula in Higher Education** is one of the modules on offer for 2010 - 2011. (15 credits)

RELEVANT RIGOROUS RE-ENERGISE



Professor Joe Carthy

Head of School, Computer Science & Informatics

I undertook the GDip in UTL in 2004-05. I had already 21 years of lecturing experience and so was somewhat sceptical about how much I could benefit from such a programme. How wrong I was! I found it to be an exciting and re-energising process. It profoundly changed my approach to teaching, influencing all aspects of my practice - in the lecture hall, in student assessment and in curriculum design. This in turn has led to greater student engagement in my modules and greater job satisfaction for me.



Dr Aoife Ahern

*Senior Lecturer, School of Architecture,
Landscape & Civil Engineering*

Fellow in Teaching & Academic Development

I completed the Diploma in Teaching and Learning in 2008 and would highly recommend this course to lecturers, both new and experienced. I found that doing this diploma reinvigorated my interest in teaching and introduced me to new ideas and methods of teaching. I also found the opportunity to meet with others in the university who are also using new and innovative methodologies of teaching to be invaluable. The opportunity to discuss teaching developments and innovations with others interested in this area from across the university is excellent and the feedback and ideas one gets from other colleagues taking the diploma is very worthwhile.

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