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**APPLICATION FORM 2019 for**

**Walsh Fellowship Funded KT MASTERS PROGRAMMES**

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| **OPTION** | **Programmes** | **Preference[[1]](#footnote-1)**  |
| **A** | **M.Agr.Sc in Agricultural Innovation Support (Masters by research with 15 month placement in Teagasc)** |  |
| **B** | **M.Agr.Sc in Agricultural Extension (Taught Masters with 2 year placement in Teagasc)**  |  |

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| **1. Personal Details** |
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| **2. Education – Third Level** |
| Title of Award & Designatory Letters(Certs/Diplomas/ Professional Qualification or Higher | Type of Award(Cert/Diploma/ Degree etc.) | Grade Achievedor expected if not yet awarded | University/ College Attended\*see note | Level of Qualification\*\*see note | Awarding Body | Month & Year of Award |
| *e.g. BSc Hons in Land Management in Agriculture* | *Degree* | *1.1/ 2.1/ 2.2* | *UCD/ WIT/ DKIT* | *Level 8* | *WIT* | *June 2018* |
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| \* For non-UCD graduates please include a copy of your transcript from the awarding university/ college\*\* Give level of award as per the National Framework of Qualifications e.g. Level 8 |
| **3. Main Subjects / Modules / Units taken in your primary degree** |
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| **4. Dissertation(s) undertaken as part of your primary degree** |
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| **5. Post Graduate study details (if applicable)** |
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| **6. Current or Most Recent Job / Employment** |
| Name of Employer: |  | Job Title |  |
| From: mm/yy |  | To: mm/yy |  | Location: |  |
| Nature of Work/Main Responsibilities: |  |
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| **7. Previous Appointments**Start with the appointments which preceded that described above and work backwards through your career. |
| **Period in Months** | **From** | **To** | **Company Name. Address & description of business.** | **Brief Job Description and Main Responsibilities** | **Reason for Leaving** |
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| **8. Do you hold a Full Clean Driving Licence? Y \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_\_\_****9. Other Relevant Details[[2]](#footnote-2)** |
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**If you selected Option A (Research Masters option) as Preference 1, or 2 please complete 10 and 11 below.**

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| **10. Research Topic Preference (to be completed if you have indicated interest in the Masters in Agricultural Innovation Support by research)**Based on the list of research topics below please indicate the top three areas you would most like to research using 1,2 and 3 in the boxes on the right (1 = most preferred area to research; 2 = second most preferred area; 3 = third most preferred area). More information on the background and aim of each project can be found at   <https://www.teagasc.ie/about/research--innovation/postgraduate-fellowships/walsh-fellowships--knowledge-transfer/>

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|  | **Topics for Research in the 2019-2021 MAIS Programme** | **Choice involved** |
| 1 | Online learning development in Horticulture Education |  |
| 2 | Diversity and Inclusion in Agricultural Education |  |
| 3 | The Bio-Economy in Agricultural Education |  |
| 4 | Strategies for on-the-job assessment in land based apprenticeships |  |
| 5 | Advisor & Farmer Engagement in Occupational Health and Safety adoption |  |
| 6 | Top down KT vs Co-creation for Farm Innovation |  |
| 7 | Improving User Experience (UX) of digital advisory tools |  |
| 8 | Increasing use of Digital Tools by Advisors |  |
| 9 | Digital Applications for the Pig Industry |  |
| 10 | Encouraging contract cropping arrangements between farmers |  |
| 11 | Improving information flow to Tillage AKIS professionals |  |
| 12 | Labour on sheep farms - factor influencing uptake of technologies to improve efficiency |  |
| 13 | Farm-specific messages & analysis tools to promote breeding technologies with dairy farmers |  |
| 14 | Improving advisory interventions with dairy farmers who are resistant to change |  |
| 15 | Environmental Sustainability on Dairy Farms - how to better communicate messages at farm level. |  |
| 16 | Effective advisory supports for farming in an archaeological landscape |  |
| 17 | Capacity building for Commonage Groups in the Wicklow Sustainable Uplands Agri-Environmental Scheme (SUAS) |  |
| 18 | Appraisal and learning from the new forestry knowledge Transfer Groups (KTGs) Scheme |  |

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| **11.** **For your number 1 selected Research Area in 10 above please outline in max of 300 words: what would be the main aims of the research project; what specific aspect of this research area would you want to look at, how you would undertake the research project and make it successful; what would the project produce and how would the output from the research benefit advisory or education services** |
| Specific Title for your proposed research project  |
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| Main aim of the project (max 50 words) |
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| How you would complete the project and make sure it was successful (max 150 words) |
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| General description of what the project would produce and how this would be useful to advisory / education services (max 100 words) |
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**For all Options please complete 12 and 13 below.**

**12. Personal Statement of your interest and motivation in agricultural advisory and education work (Max 250 words)**

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**13. What in your opinion are the priorities for agricultural advisory and education work in Ireland in the period up to 2025? (Max 100 words)**

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| **14. How / from where did you hear about this postgraduate programme?** |
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| **15. Submitting your application**  |
| * Before you return the form, please ensure that you have completed all sections. The onus is on applicant to establish eligibility on this application form. Details provided in the application will be used in the short-listing process.
* Please do not forward any certificates or references with this form.
* Misstatements or canvassing will render an applicant liable to disqualification.
* The personal data supplied on this application form will be used to assess candidates for these Fellowships

All information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I understand that should any of the particulars furnished in this application be found to be false or inaccurate, action may be taken to withdraw any offer of a fellowship. |
| Signed: |  | Date: |  |

*Completed application form (hard copy or electronic copy) should be submitted in time for deadline of:* ***10am on Monday 27th May 2019.*** Completed Application Forms should be submitted in electronic form to: agribus.ruraldev@ucd.ie ***or*** by post to: Henna Kinsella, School of Agriculture & Food Science, Room G.05 Agriculture & Food Science Centre, University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4.

1. Please indicate your first (1) and second (2) choice of programme **or** if only interested in one programme please indicate choice (1) and other zero. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Add any other relevant information here that you feel strengthens your application for this postgraduate programme [↑](#footnote-ref-2)