



UCD Sutherland
School of Law

LLM by Research

Coming to UCD Law School creates the possibility of expert supervision by leading researchers in a wide variety of fields. We have the largest group of academic lawyers in Ireland and leading researchers of high international standing across many of the main fields of law including European Union law, commercial law, criminology, criminal justice and criminal law, regulatory studies, constitutional law and governance, human rights, administrative law, employment law, environmental law, intellectual property law, WTO law, legal history, agricultural law and private law.

Duration	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time
Starting	September & January
Fees 2019/20	FT €6,325.00, PT €4,180.00 EU*
<i>*Fees correct at the time of publishing.</i>	

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Individuals who wish to be considered for enrolment in UCD Law School's LLM by Research programme are asked to prepare a research proposal. This should include:

1. a statement of the research question the candidate proposes to examine;
2. an outline of the proposed methodology (in other words, an outline of how the applicant proposes to go about their research); and
3. a short literature review. (The idea of this is to place the research within the current state of knowledge in the field in question. It should include a short, indicative, bibliography of works in the field)

There is no maximum length for a research proposal. Normally, it would be at least three or four pages long. Please note that students who wish to work with a particular academic are advised to state this in their communications.

Please note that you can make your formal application to enrol as an LLM by Research student online through the online UCD application process, at <http://www.ucd.ie/apply/>

However, in order to help and encourage prospective applicants, the School of Law offers you the option of sending us a *draft* of your research proposal, before you make your formal application. The School of Law Admissions Committee will review your draft research proposal

and provide you with feedback. Academic transcripts and a CV should be emailed along with the research proposal

You can then take that feedback into account in making your final application. Further, if a draft research proposal is sent to us, we can also tell you in advance whether there actually is supervisory capacity within the Law School for your proposed programme of research and we can also identify a prospective supervisor.

Once you receive your feedback, you can make any advised revisions to the proposed research proposal, gather all the relevant documentation, and make your formal application through the online UCD application process.

Draft proposals, academic transcripts and CV's should be addressed to Niamh.McCabe@ucd.ie.

What are the admissions requirements?

Applications are invited from graduates with a degree (normally of a first class or very high 2.1 standard or equivalent). The degree should either (a) in law or (b) in an inter-disciplinary degree in which law was a major component.

Exemption from these requirements may be given to those with significant, relevant, practical experience. Such applicants should state clearly in their application why they feel their qualifications/experiences are appropriate for admission to the programme.

English Language Requirements for the LLM in Research Programme

- Applicants whose first language is not English must submit satisfactory evidence of competence in written and spoken English, i.e. overall IELTS 6.5 (including a minimum of 6.5 in the reading and writing parts and no part below 6.0) or 90 in the TOEFL iBT (with a minimum of 22 (reading) and 24 (writing) and no part below 20.) The test results must be less than 2 years old.
- International applicants should visit the UCD International Office website (www.ucd.ie/international) for information regarding our campus, location of UCD, visa information, registration and orientation.

Please note that admission to the programme is at the discretion of the Graduate Admissions Committee

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