

# MA International War Studies

## OVERVIEW

The Dual MA in International War Studies will be offered by University College Dublin and the University of Potsdam, where the only Chair of Military History in Germany is based. Students will spend one academic year in each institution. The MA will enable students to experience two different academic structures (in Germany and Ireland), taking advantage of the rich cultural offerings and research facilities in Dublin, Potsdam and nearby Berlin. The programme will be fully taught in English, however students are encouraged to learn an additional language to strengthen their international profile. It will enable students to acquire a comprehensive and advanced knowledge of the main areas of the history of war in the twentieth century. All modules will be delivered by leading experts in the field, ensuring research led teaching throughout the course.

## COURSE CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

Students will take a number of core modules offered by the University of Potsdam and UCD. A variety of assessment experiences allows students to develop their critical thinking and analytical skills. Over the course of the programme they will experience formative assessment through essays, presentations and work-based projects. Students will have an opportunity to engage in a work placement, providing them with practical experience outside the academic world. Students will also have the chance to pursue their own research interests by undertaking an end of year dissertation under the supervision of a staff mentor.

## MODULES

- War Studies
- Dissertation
- Origins of Modern Diplomacy
- Global Revolutions
- War, Peace, and Globalisation
- A Global History of Refugees
- Keeping the home fires burning: Women and war in Ireland and Britain, 1914-1945
- Political Violence in 20th Century
- NATO's Wars: From Bosnia to Afghanistan

## FACILITIES AND RESOURCES

Students will be able to draw on several libraries and extensive archives in Potsdam, Berlin and Dublin. This includes the Federal Archives and the Prussian State Archives in Berlin, while in Dublin, students have access to the Bureau of Military History and the rich repository of personal papers at UCD archives. Students will have access to the UCD Centre for War Studies, an interdisciplinary research institution which aims to develop new research projects in partnership with other research institutions around the globe.

## APPLYING

If you are ready to apply, entry requirements and application information can be found online: [www.ucd.ie/apply](http://www.ucd.ie/apply)



"Wars have been a constant phenomenon in human history and they are likely to also shape our future. A deeper understanding of the origins and consequences of armed conflict will equip students for a variety of careers, from senior civil service roles to work in NGOs, academia, and the diplomatic service."

**Professor Robert Gerwarth, Course Director**

"The input from committed, and open-minded lecturers both in Potsdam and Dublin, as well as the diverse range of courses has enriched my experience. The degree has not only provided me with sound knowledge in the field of War Studies but also confirmed my personal and academic interests."

**Lisa Freitag, Graduate**



## CAREER OPTIONS

Media & Journalism	Govt. & Public Sector	Media & Journalism
Journalist	Senior Civil Servant	Journalist
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TV Researcher	Archivist	TV Producer
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Publicist	Academic	Publicist

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