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Course code:  
**W536**

# MSc Global Solutions

(One Year Full Time)

## Introduction

Global Solutions is a new and innovative MSc programme delivered by the UCD School of Sociology. It centres on the study of solutions that address the most pressing global social, economic, political and environmental problems. MSc Global Solutions introduces you to a unique analytical framework that combines academic, activist, business and policy perspectives (the AABP model) to explore and study solutions. By bringing together multiple analytical perspectives, this programme is uniquely positioned to help you look into the

future with a focus on opportunities and trends that carry the potential for social change.

Throughout the programme, we explore a range of current global problems, such as global inequalities, war and violence, climate change, and analyse relevant case studies applying innovative solutions. As a student, you will be encouraged to develop your own project and follow your particular interests as part of your Master's dissertation.

## Programme Highlight

MSc Global Solutions is the first social science Master's programme focused on analysing solutions in their economic, political, social and environmental context.

MSc Global Solutions is open to applicants from a broad range of social sciences, and arts and humanities. We also welcome professionals with relevant work experience who wish to critically explore their own ideas in an academic environment.

## Programme Content and Structure

**90 credits**  
Taught Masters

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**60 credits**  
Taught Modules

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**30 credits**  
Dissertation

### Core Modules:

- Global Solutions in an Academic, Activist, Business and Policy (AABP) Perspective
- Global Solutions to Climate Change
- Human Development in the Global South
- Peace, Conflict and Social Change
- Dissertation

### Option Modules:

- Economic Globalisation and Social Change
- Identities and Rights in a Global Context
- Organised Violence and Society
- AI and Society
- Nationalism and Social Change

Please see [www.ucd.ie/graduateadmissions](http://www.ucd.ie/graduateadmissions) for a full list of modules.

## Why study at UCD?



### Graduate Education

12,000 graduate students; 17% graduate research students; structured PhDs



### Graduate Employability

Ranked no. 1 in Ireland in QS Graduate Employability ranking



### Global Careers

Dedicated careers support; 2 year stayback visa to work in Ireland



### Global Community

8,500 international students and 300,000 alumni network across 165 countries



### Global Profile

UCD is ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide



### Welcoming Campus

Modern parkland campus with 24 hr security. Wide range of facilities, clubs, societies and supports

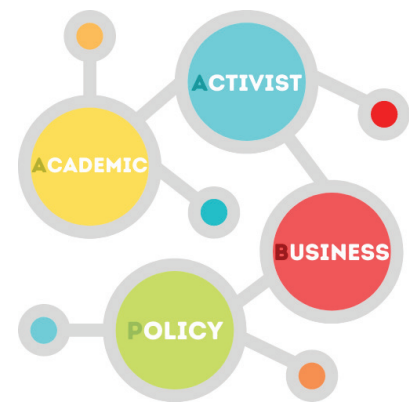


## Career Opportunities

Many organisations and social enterprises use the skills developed throughout the programme and look for talent who are highly effective at working collaboratively to identify creative solutions to complex problems. Academic and analytical skills are required for work in the social research sector, including think tanks, market research and academic organisations. The programme's focus on activism and business will prepare you for working in the NGO sector and as a social entrepreneur. Its policy perspective is essential if you wish to pursue a career in the civil service, governmental organisations, and social policy organisations.

The MSc Global Solutions at UCD is ideal if you're determined to innovate and focus on solutions as part of your future career.

## AABP Model



We develop and apply an innovative AABP model that explores the intersections of

- A** academic knowledge and latest research;
- A** activism and social movements;
- B** business and technological innovations
- P** social policy

to understand the design, operations, and innovative potential of global solutions.

## Applicant Profile

- Applicants must hold a 2.1 honours degree or equivalent in social science or a closely related discipline, such as journalism, arts and humanities, economics or business, and excellent references. If you are unsure about your degree eligibility, please email and ask.
- Applicants who do not meet the academic requirements but can confirm professional qualifications and/or experience will be considered. Applicants may be called for an interview.
- All candidates are expected to be proficient in written and spoken English. Applicants whose primary language is not English must meet the UCD English language entry requirements.

## Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fee information is available on [www.ucd.ie/fees](http://www.ucd.ie/fees). Please note that UCD offers a number of graduate scholarships for full-time, self-funding international students, holding an offer of a place on a UCD masters programme. Please see [www.ucd.ie/global/scholarships](http://www.ucd.ie/global/scholarships) for further information.

## Related Masters

- MSc/MA Sociology
- MSc Comparative Social Change
- MA Race, Migration and Decolonial Studies
- MA Social and Political Thought

## About the School

UCD School of Sociology is the leading centre for sociological research and the largest teaching centre for sociology in Ireland, bringing together a range of international scholars and interdisciplinary perspectives.

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