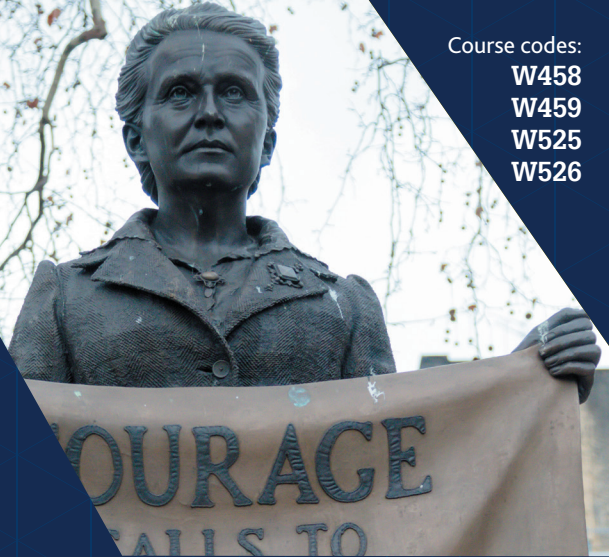




# MA/MSc Gender, Politics & International Relations

(One Year Full Time or Two Years Part Time)



## Introduction

The MA/MSc in Gender, Politics and International Relations is a one-year intensive course that prepares students for a career in research, policy, or advocacy in international organisations, governmental and non-governmental bodies, or academia. It is designed to provide students with specialised, detailed and advanced theoretical and conceptual knowledge and understanding of gender, politics and international relations, based on current debates and controversies at the forefront of the field.

This programme investigates the ways in which gender is implicated in the structure, practice, and theorising of politics. The programme explores the ways in which gender identity impacts on individual and group interactions with the domestic political system and global politics. It also recognises that national and international political structures are gendered and that this effects power relations, political behaviour, and public policies.

## Programme Highlight

Gender is a fundamental aspect of both the international and domestic political systems.

This programme facilitates students to become specialists in understanding how gender shapes both individual and group interactions with politics on the national and global level.

## Programme Content and Structure



\*Students are responsible for securing their own internship placements. The School provides a list of potential host organisations, and UCD Careers offers support with application writing and related resources.

### Core Modules:

- Gender & the Political System
- Gender, Peace, and Security or Gender and Development
- Research Design (MA only)

### Additional core modules required for MSc:

- Introduction to Statistics
- Qualitative Research Methods for Political Science

### Option Modules:

MA students choose three optional modules and MSc students choose two optional modules from the partial list below:

- Masculinities, Gender and Equality
- Politics of Authoritarianism
- Decoloniality and Intersectionality Thinking
- Global Justice
- Peace & Conflict Studies
- Theory of Human Rights
- IR Theory: Conflict and Identity
- Gender, Conflict-related Harm & Transitional Justice
- Comparative European Politics
- Gender, Sexuality, and the Body; The Politics of Belonging
- Programming for Social Scientists
- Arab Perceptions of Conflict

## Why study at UCD?



### Graduate Education

13,000 graduate students; 15% graduate research, 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

10,000 international students and 300,000 alumni network across 189 countries



### Global Profile

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



### Sustainability

UCD is ranked number one in Ireland and 50th in the world for Sustainability



## Career Opportunities

Recent graduates of UCD School of Politics & International Relations now work in:

- United Nations, New York and Geneva
- World Trade Organisation
- Asia Development Bank
- Saatchi & Saatchi
- Credit Suisse First Boston

## Student Profile



**Lucía Núñez Roncero**

This Master's was perfect for me because it combines the three disciplines I am most interested in, and it looks at International Relations and Politics from a gender perspective. It also has an intersectional perspective and tackles structural inequalities and systems of power and privilege, which was very important to me.

This program allows you to pick from a wide range of electives and decide whether you want to engage in courses in the field of gender studies, International Relations theory, political theory, policy-making, European governance, etc., allowing you to craft your studies towards your ideal career, which was very useful to me and all my classmates. If you follow the MA path, the chance to do an internship instead of a thesis is fantastic if practical experience is what you are lacking, and you will still gain a lot of knowledge on how to conduct research during your studies. UCD and SPIRe provide a wide range of opportunities to their students. I have had the opportunity to attend multiple conferences and guest lectures of important figures in Ireland and around the world. I have also been hired as a Research Assistant by one of my professors for my internship, and I am fortunate to be learning directly what it is like to participate in a big research project on the field of Political Science.

## Applicant Profile

- A primary degree with at least Second Class Honours Grade 1 (2H1) in any discipline. 2H1 is equivalent to 60 percent, B minus or 3.08 GPA - in American system: B or 3.00 GPA.
- Applicants with a Second Class Honours Grade 2 (2:2) in their primary degree may be considered for the Graduate Diploma in Politics and International Relations.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent. Other accepted certificates include TOEFL, the University of Cambridge, and the Duolingo English Test. Please refer to **UCD's Minimum English Language Requirements** for full details.

## 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.

SPIRe also offers a Masters Graduate Scholarship to full-time EU and Non-EU Masters students. Please see [www.ucd.ie/spire/study/prospectivemastersstudents/spiremastersgraduatescholarship](http://www.ucd.ie/spire/study/prospectivemastersstudents/spiremastersgraduatescholarship) for further information.

## Related Masters

- MA Politics
- MA Politics and International Relations
- MA Peace and Conflict

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