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## Masters in Psychological Science (One Year Full Time)

The Masters in Psychological Science is a one-year taught degree designed for psychology graduates who wish to pursue further professional training in any area of psychology; who want to develop their skills in psychology in practice; or who intend to complete a PhD. All elements of the course emphasise the acquisition of skills for professional practice – for example, you will develop expertise in the

administration and scoring of psychometric tests in a module that is accredited by the British Psychological Society. In keeping with the skills-based focus of the degree, you will complete a dissertation as part of a research team under the direction of an academic supervisor and an article of journal submission quality.

## Why study at UCD?



### Tradition

Established 1854, with 160 years of teaching & research excellence



### Global profile

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



### Global community

Over 6,000 international students from over 120 countries study at UCD



### Global careers

Degrees with high employability; dedicated careers support; 1 year stay-back visa



### Safety

Modern parkland campus with 24 hour security, minutes from Dublin city centre

## Leading centre for research in psychology in Ireland

The School of Psychology is a leading centre for research, teaching and professional training in psychology in Ireland. The School has particular expertise in clinical psychology, cognitive and behavioural neuroscience, disability and rehabilitation, and social and developmental psychology.

## Course Content and Structure

90 credits  
taught masters

60 credits  
taught modules

30 credits  
research dissertation

### Semester 1

Core modules include:

- Advanced Research Methods and Statistics
- Counselling and Clinical Skills
- Psychometrics Levels I and II

### Semester 2

You select three of the following four modules:

- Managing Change
- Diversity and Inclusive Practice
- Group Dynamics and Processes
- Introduction to Rehabilitation

Please see online for a full list of modules.





## Career Opportunities

The degree provides the foundation for further graduate training in any field of psychology including: clinical psychology, educational psychology, organisational psychology, forensic psychology, counselling psychology, health psychology.

Our graduates have been accepted at graduate schools around the world.



## Graduate Profile

### Kathy Looney, Graduate

The UCD Masters in Psychological Science provided me with invaluable experiences and opportunities. One aspect of the course that I loved was the practical nature of many of the modules. This provided the opportunity to practice relevant skills as well as to learn different psychological theories. But, what I valued most about the course was probably the high level of support and interest shown by the faculty members, from our lecturers to my thesis supervisor. The grounding that I developed in my research and clinical knowledge was a major stepping stone towards gaining a place on the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology at Royal Holloway University in London, where I am currently in training.

### Apply Now

This programme receives significant interest so please apply early online at [www.ucd.ie/international/apply](http://www.ucd.ie/international/apply)

## Entry Requirements

- A primary degree with at least an upper second class honours in Psychology. The degree must include a final year honours research project and, where appropriate, be recognised by the Psychology Society of the country in which the degree was awarded.
- Upper second class honours in a postgraduate conversion course such as a Higher Diploma in Psychology or an equivalent qualification recognised by the psychology society of the country in which the degree was awarded.
- If English is not your first language, you must demonstrate English-language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element) or equivalent.

## International 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/international/scholarships](http://www.ucd.ie/international/scholarships) for further information.

## Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- MA Educational Psychology
- MSocSc Social Work
- MSocSc Sociology

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