

Taught Programmes

Postgraduate Guide



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Welcome

Welcome to DCU. We are a young, ambitious and innovative university with a mission to 'transform lives and societies'. We are proud to rank among the Top 400 of the world's universities. DCU is also a consistent leader in terms of its Graduate Employment Rate.

The postgraduate programmes that DCU offers will allow you to develop the knowledge and skills you need to flourish in a fast-changing world. Whether you wish to move forward in your career, advance in an area you are passionate about, or change career paths completely, we have a course for you.

Our primary goal is to provide a 'transformative student experience' for everyone who attends the University. We are known for our innovative approach to Teaching and Learning, and for our teachers' personalised 'human touch' approach.

All of our programmes are based on world-class research. DCU is home to leading research centres in areas such as educational

assessment and evaluation, bullying prevention, human rights, cellular biotechnology, neurotherapeutics, sensors, plasma technology, biomedical diagnostics, machine translation, cloud computing, and data analytics. DCU is a member of the European Consortium of Innovative Universities (ECIU) and our close collaboration with Arizona State University (ASU) has led to the creation of Biodesign Europe, a transatlantic partnership focused on creating solutions to major challenges.

Since its foundation, DCU has benefitted from a dynamic and highly productive relationship with enterprise. Thanks to our close collaboration with a range of leading companies and employers, we have been able to ensure that our programmes stay at the cutting edge and are highly relevant to today's workplace.

DCU is known for its vibrant and diverse campuses, hosting international students from 120 countries. We can also proudly boast of our superb sports complex,

our renowned performing arts centre, The Helix, and our state-of-the-art student centre, the U. More than 120 DCU student clubs and societies add greatly to a vibrant social environment.

I hope this prospectus gives you a clear picture of all that we offer our postgraduate students. I would particularly encourage you to read the testimonials of our graduates, who explain what postgraduate study at DCU has meant for them. You can also find a wealth of additional information and content at [dcu.ie/postgraduate](https://www.dcu.ie/postgraduate).

Thank you for exploring DCU and I hope I will have the opportunity to welcome you here in person, in the near future.



Professor Dáire Keogh
President, DCU



Introduction to DCU

Studying in Dublin

Wherever you are from, the city of Dublin probably doesn't need much introduction.

From its museums and galleries to its historical landmarks, Dublin is rich in history. Meanwhile, its friendly social scene, lively music venues and on-trend cafes and restaurants give the city a uniquely 21st-century atmosphere. The Dublin skyline reflects this vibrant mix, from the space-age modernity of the Aviva Stadium to the medieval grandeur of Saint Patrick's Cathedral.

It's safe to say that Dublin is a city of surprises and contrasts. It is proud of its Irish identity, while closely linked to the rest of Europe. It's a fast-moving metropolitan city with the sea, mountains and countryside on its doorstep and easily accessed by public transport. At DCU, you'll also discover the contrasting atmosphere of our three campuses, which blend the modern with the historic.

All in all, Dublin is a city where you can study for success.

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| 1 Botanic Gardens | 8 Christ Church Cathedral |
| 2 The Casino of Marino | 9 St Patrick's Cathedral |
| 3 Croke Park | 10 St Stephen's Green |
| 4 Phoenix Park and Dublin Zoo | 11 National Gallery of Ireland |
| 5 The Hugh Lane Gallery | 12 National Museum of Ireland |
| 6 The Spire, O'Connell Street | 13 The Aviva Stadium |
| 7 The 3 Arena | 14 Morton Stadium |





DUBLIN AIRPORT
15 minutes
from the city

SPORTS GROUNDS

Collins Avenue

Glasnevin Avenue

GLASNEVIN CAMPUS

Finglas Rd

BOTANIC GARDENS

BEAUMONT

MALAHIDE /HOWTH

St Mobhi Rd

ST PATRICK'S CAMPUS



Griffith Park

ALL HALLOWS CAMPUS

Lower Drumcondra Rd

DRUMCONDRA

CLONTARF

Cabra Rd

North Circular Rd

FAIRVIEW PARK

DUBLIN BAY

STONEYPATTER

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Dorset St

North Strand Rd

SMITHFIELD

CONNOLLY STATION

TEMPLE BAR

RIVER LIFFEY

GRAND CANAL DOCK

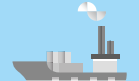
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Parnell St

O'Connell St

Grafton St



Why go Further?

Some people undertake postgraduate studies to obtain a professional accreditation. Others do so because they are passionate about an issue and postgraduate research provides a structured, supportive environment in which to follow that passion.

Whatever programme you choose, our dedicated academic staff will inspire you to discover new ways of thinking about your subject. Our academics and research teams are innovators making a global

impact and addressing the major challenges facing the world today, and you can be part of that journey here at DCU.

Throughout your programme, our careers service will be on-hand to guide you through postgraduate job opportunities. We provide the very best facilities and support to ensure that you get what you want out of your postgraduate experience. Whatever your reason to go further, go further with DCU.



Research Intensive University

Research and Innovation at DCU stems from the academic excellence of its five faculties, coupled with a passion for translating knowledge into positive social and economic impact.

We recognise that international collaboration is essential in order to make significant and sustained advances in tackling some of the major research challenges facing the world today. We promote and support international research collaboration while also taking particular account of geo-political developments.

Here at DCU we bring together world-leading multi-disciplinary teams of researchers, capable of addressing significant challenges to generate innovative solutions, and who have access to world-class infrastructure and facilities.

DCU has several specialised research centres and hosts others that involve collaborations with other higher education institutions and industry.

Inspiring Academics



Professor Brien Nolan

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Prof Nolan is course chair of the MSc in Astrophysics and Relativity, a one-year programme which offers students the opportunity to study these topics at an advanced level while also developing skills in areas such as data analytics and computational science.

"I'm a mathematical physicist, so my research is about trying to answer questions about the fundamental nature of our physical universe using mathematical tools. My main research interests are in General Relativity, Einstein's geometric theory of the gravitational field. I'm interested in questions about spacetime singularities - regions in the deep interior of black holes, or at the Big Bang marking the beginning of our physical universe. I'm also interested in questions about how light and other types of waves are disrupted by strong gravitational fields - for example, in the vicinity of a black hole.

I was always interested in science and physics, and I really enjoyed maths, particularly the problem-solving aspect of the discipline. What appeals to me most strongly about mathematical physics is that it combines the two: fundamental questions about physics give rise to fascinating mathematical problems. I'm in the lucky position to spend a big part of my working life trying to solve these kinds of problems, discussing them with colleagues, and teaching students how to tackle such problems themselves.

A key feature of the MSc in Astrophysics and Relativity is that it allows students to develop their knowledge of these areas to the stage where they will be able to embark on their own research as a PhD student, while at the same time equipping them with transferable skills in data analysis, machine learning and computational science - areas that are highly valued by a wide range of employers."



Tom Burke

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Tom Burke is a documentary filmmaker and Chair of the new Masters in Documentary Practice at the School of Communications. His film credits include 'Sold: The Eircom Shares Saga', which was watched on RTÉ by over half a million viewers.

"I am interested in how documentary films are made in every sense - the cameras, the sound, the editing, the complex relationships between directors and their subjects. My most recent research is on the latter point where I interviewed fourteen leading Irish documentarians on the ethical dimensions of their work. The resulting film offers a unique insight into how filmmakers view the role of consent in the process of filmmaking and what the limits of this consent might be.

People are interesting, they cannot help it. Their faces, their voices, their backgrounds, motivations, body language, self-awareness.

Though it may sound trite, documentary film at its very best can be more revealing of personhood than other art forms. A great film, or even a very good one, is able to not just tell us things but to make us feel things about what we have been told. As a form of storytelling, it is endlessly complex and intriguing.

The MA in Documentary Practice aims to produce a cohort of filmmakers who are technically self-sufficient, narratively skilled and emotionally aware of the demands of the work. We aim to produce useful people, reflective people and skilled people - ideally all in the one person."



Aisling Murray Fleming

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Aisling Murray Fleming is Chair of the MSc and Postgraduate Diploma in Guidance Counselling programmes in the School of Human Development.

“I am interested in all aspects of career development, from examining whether it’s beneficial to ask primary school children “what do you want to be when you grow up” to exploring re-careering or career changes in later life.

I am passionate about hearing people’s stories, and guidance is deeply rooted in those narratives. Our profession goes beyond supporting individuals through life’s key transitions - it’s about empowering them with the skills, mindset, and knowledge to realise their full potential.”

The MSc and Grad Dip Guidance programmes offer initial education and training in the knowledge,

skills and attitudes necessary for practice in the interrelated areas of personal, education and career guidance counselling. A key element of the programme is the strong emphasis on reflective practice and personal growth facilitated by personal counselling, placement practice experience and professional supervision to support and enable personal and professional development.

Students come from a diverse range of backgrounds, including the primary, secondary, further education and tertiary sectors, youth and community work, adult education, employee welfare, state agencies, business, industry, health and Human Resources. Graduates go on to work in guidance in many varied settings.”

Graduate Stories

"A highlight of my time here was being able to study remotely. So I was able to study while working a part time job, this enabled me to get the qualifications I needed to pursue a different career."

Ruth Dervan
Masters in Mechanical Engineering



Scan to watch
Ruth's story



"Being an international student, you get to meet people from different countries and share ideas with them."

"The courses align in a proper way where we had practical experience with the assignments, so that help me grow my skills altogether."

"Challenges are there for us to overcome and be successful in our life, and for someone who values hands on learning, I think this course would be the perfect fit."

Hrishikesh Mangalekar
MEng in Electronic and
Computer Engineering



Scan to watch
Hrishikesh's story

"I wanted to help people and I wanted to make a difference in the world, and I think one of the best decisions I ever made was coming to DCU."

"I would say to anyone who's in very similar circumstances, you're certainly never too old."

Darren Gallagher
Higher Diploma Children's Nursing



Scan to watch
Darren's story



"A highlight of my time at DCU was getting the grade of my very first essay, and I got a first in that, and that was something I never thought I'd be capable of achieving."

"When I finished my undergrad, I thought it was the end of my academic journey...I'm really proud that I've come back and proved myself wrong by doing this Masters."

Erin Fox
MA Social Media Communications



Scan to watch
Erin's story

Employability and Career Development

The DCU Careers Service is here to guide you in exploring your options, choosing your next steps, and achieving professional success.

Our dedicated team works closely with industry partners to help you develop the skills you need to thrive in today's dynamic job market. We focus on helping you acquire, articulate, and apply essential career management skills, ensuring you are well-prepared to succeed during and beyond your time at DCU.

Whether you plan to enter the workplace, transition to new roles, build your own career through entrepreneurship or avail of opportunities in emerging areas, the Careers Team will work with you to enable and empower you to successfully navigate your future career as well as future changes and opportunities within the world of work.

Our Service provides



One-to-one appointments with Career Consultants



Career skills sessions on topics such as Career Planning, CVs and Interview Skills



Employer Events including career fairs and networking sessions



An Online Jobs Board with opportunities targeted at DCU students and recent graduates



Online resources and tools to help you prepare for your career



DCU Global Community

With a vibrant community of over 20,000 students from 128 countries, we invite you to become part of our diverse student body. At DCU, we welcome international students from all backgrounds to be part of our mission to transform lives and societies through education, research, and innovation.

Whether you're from Ireland, the EU, or further afield, DCU offers a truly global experience. You'll have the opportunity to live, study, and collaborate with people from around the world, enriched by the

perspectives of our international academics. We aim to foster an environment of cross-cultural learning that will prepare you for success in a globalised world.

Dublin is a modern, cosmopolitan city rich in history and culture. It's no surprise that many of the world's top employers have established their headquarters here. At DCU, you'll be ideally positioned to launch your career at the heart of this international hub.

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Why Study in Ireland?

Studying in Ireland offers a world-class education and a vibrant cultural experience. With world-renowned universities like DCU, you'll benefit from innovative programmes and practical, industry-focused learning.

Graduates of Irish universities benefit from excellent career prospects. Ireland is the last English-speaking country in the EU while also maintaining strong ties to the UK and USA. This, and the quality of Ireland's graduates, has led to many of the world's biggest multinational companies establishing their European headquarters in the city.

These are just some of the reasons why Ireland is the ideal study destination for those in search of excellent career opportunities.

Ranking 3rd in the Global Peace Index, Ireland offers a safe and welcoming environment for students. You'll experience breathtaking landscapes and stunning coastlines, while also enjoying the vibrant hustle and bustle of Dublin City. Whether you're seeking nature, cultural experiences, or city life, Ireland has something for everyone.

The Global Recruitment Team

The Global Recruitment Team is here to answer any questions and provide you with assistance as you prepare to come to DCU. Our team of Regional Advisors is always on hand to offer a broad range of guidance and support which

will help to make the application process and the overall transition to DCU as seamless as possible.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at: dcuglobalrecruitment@dcu.ie

Student Support and Development

Throughout your academic journey at DCU, our Student Support & Development team provides personal, academic and professional support and guidance to all registered international students. They host a variety of workshops and events specifically tailored for our international students to help them adapt and settle into life at DCU and in Dublin.

DCU's Student Advice and Learning Skills Centre (SAL) is a one-stop shop where international students can receive support to help them in their transition to DCU. Students can avail of advice and guidance in all areas including academic, personal, financial and professional - ensuring that they reach their full academic and personal potential.

Careers Service

With over 95% of our graduates either employed full-time or pursuing further study within six months of graduation, DCU takes pride in its award-winning Careers Service. We are here to support you as you navigate the Irish job market - identifying career paths, refining your CV and LinkedIn profile, and preparing you for interviews.

Throughout the year, our Careers Service hosts various events, including career fairs and International Students' Career Week. These events provide opportunities to connect with employers, gain valuable insights, and prepare for life after graduation.

Immigration Support

The Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform provides essential information for students wishing to apply for study visas in Ireland.

We aim to support students through their visa applications process providing support where we can. We also host visa and immigration information webinars through the summer.

For more information please visit: irishimmigration.ie





Working in Ireland as an International Student

Ireland's Employer Ecosystem

Ireland is the European base for over 1,000 leading multinational companies in sectors such as IT, pharmaceuticals, and finance. Major companies like Google, IBM, Meta, Pfizer, Oracle, and Deloitte have all chosen Ireland as their hub, creating a demand for a skilled and educated workforce to support their success.

Working in Ireland while studying

Students attending a full-time course who have an Irish Residence Permit card are entitled to take up casual/part-time employment while studying in Ireland provided that their course of study is included on the government's list of visa-eligible courses, known as the ILEP.

This will entitle you to undertake part-time work for up to 20 hours per week during term time, and up to 40 hours full-time work per week during two standardised periods of 15th December to 15th January and between the 1st of June and the 30th of September. These dates are subject to change and are fixed for all non-EU students, regardless of the actual college teaching calendar for their course.

In order to work in Ireland you will need to get a Personal Public Service Number (PPS Number), but you need to have evidence of a job offer to secure one. The first step is to find work, and then apply for a PPS Number. You can find out more from Citizens' Information: citizensinformation.ie

Working in Ireland after you graduate

After successfully completing your studies you can take advantage of a visa stay-back option to remain and work in Ireland.

International students who complete an undergraduate degree at DCU can apply for the Third Level Graduate Programme (Stamp 1G). Stamp 1G allows you to work in Ireland for 12 months from the date of issue of final results.

International students who complete a Master's Degree, a Post-Graduate Diploma or a PhD can obtain Stamp 1G to remain in Ireland for up to 24 months after they graduate. Full details can be found at irishimmigration.ie

Scholarship Information

DCU offers a range of International Student Scholarships. More details of the scholarships that we currently offer can be found at dcu.ie/scholarships

DCU Merit Scholarship

DCU offers partial merit-based scholarships to some non-EU students. You are automatically considered for a scholarship when you apply as a non-EU student to DCU. We'll let you know if you have qualified for a scholarship when we contact you to advise if your application to study at DCU has been successful.

Humanities and Social Sciences Bursary

This merit-based bursary is available for high-achieving non-EU applicants who have received an offer to study on a postgraduate programme in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Successful recipients will receive a €2,000 fee reduction on the full-time 2025–2026 non-EU tuition fees for their postgraduate programme. All non-EU applications to a postgraduate programme in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences are automatically considered for this bursary. Only successful recipients of the bursary will be notified via email.

Faculty of Engineering and Computing International Scholarship

This scholarship is available for non-EU applicants who have received an offer to study on eligible postgraduate programmes in the Faculty of Engineering and Computing. Successful recipients will receive a €5,900 fee reduction on the full-time 2025–2026 non-EU Tuition fee.

Eligible programmes for 2025-26 are:

- MEng Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering
- MSc in Computing
- MSc Electronic and Computer Engineering
- MSc Electronic and Computer Technology

All non-EU applications to a postgraduate programme in the Faculty of Engineering and Computing are automatically considered for this bursary. Successful recipients of the bursary will be notified via email.

Business School International Scholarship

This scholarship is available for non-EU applicants who have received an offer to study on eligible postgraduate programmes in DCU Business School. Successful recipients will receive a €900-€1,400 fee reduction on the full-time 2025–2026 non-EU Tuition fee.

Eligible programmes for 2025-26 are:

- MSc in Human Resource Management
- MSc in International Accounting and Business
- MSc in Global Strategy (Digital Disruption)
- MSc in Accounting
- MSc in Finance
- MSc in Management (Business)
- MSc in Management (Strategy)
- MSc in Digital Marketing

All non-EU applications to a postgraduate programme in the DCU Business School are automatically considered for this bursary. Successful recipients of the bursary will be notified via email.

Students are also eligible to apply for scholarships from external sources such as the Irish Fellows Programme and The Government of Ireland Scholarship. Please see their websites for more details. Certain conditions may apply.





Life at DCU

Health and Fitness

You want to be part of a university that encourages physical wellbeing and a healthy lifestyle. We want you to have the opportunity to enjoy all the benefits of exercise, fitness, dance and sport while you study with us.

DCU Sports Complex, located on the DCU Glasnevin Campus, is a state-of-the-art facility, incorporating health, wellness and sports to meet all your exercise and leisure needs. Membership is available to DCU students on an academic or yearly rate with membership including access to the gym, pool, spa facilities, fitness centre and group fitness classes.

DCU Sports Arena, also located on the DCU Glasnevin Campus, hosts sports such as basketball, badminton

and volleyball, and can facilitate other activities. It also has a climbing wall, two squash courts, a racquetball/handball court and several studios. DCU has multiple sports grounds, a high-performance centre and a soccer centre.

The DCU St Patrick's Campus has several sports facilities including a fitness studio, two sports halls, a GAA pitch and a soccer pitch.

DCU Sport are also proud to highlight our High-Performance Centre located in DCU Sports Grounds, just off the Ballymun Road and at Morton Athletics Stadium in Santry. Please contact sports.complex@dcu.ie for more information on these facilities.

Accommodation

On our Glasnevin Campus, our College Park apartments have a dedicated postgraduate block, which is available on a 9-month basis, from September to May. These apartments contain 5 double en suite bedrooms with both wifi and fixed-line internet access.

Our Postgraduate Apartments on the Glasnevin Campus offer high-quality accommodation for over 100 postgraduate students in the heart of the research community. Rental accommodation at the Centre is in 37 secure, comfortable apartments with en suite bedrooms. The accommodation is let on a 50-week basis only. The majority of rooms are let as single bedrooms, however, a limited number of double rooms are also available.

On the All Hallows Campus, we have a limited number of rooms available for 9-month occupancy. There are sixty-three bedrooms available in Purcell House to students at all levels of study. Accommodation is

in single or double bedrooms (single occupancy only) with either en suite or shared bathroom facilities. Each bedroom has a study area and wifi access. There is a large communal kitchen and shared lounge areas.

For 2025/2026, O'Donnell House in All Hallows is also available to book. The rooms are single occupancy bedrooms with shared kitchen and bathroom facilities. 45 units are available for 50-week occupancy. All Hallows is a five-minute walk from our St Patrick's Campus in Drumcondra and within easy reach of the DCU Glasnevin on public transport.

Please note that all students including postgraduates will be charged a €50.00 fee for 2024/2025 applications to DCU Rooms.

For more information on DCU accommodation, visit: dcuaccommodation.ie/accommodation/dcu-post-grad-students

Student Services and Supports

Student Advice and Learning Skills Centre

The Student Advice and Learning Skills Centre is the place to go for all information on student support at DCU. We offer advice and guidance on everything from settling into university to exam preparation and financial assistance. Students can make a one-to-one appointment or drop in to see a Student Advisor.

The Learning Support Service also offers workshops and one-to-one meetings to help students with various aspects of learning at Third Level. We also offer extensive online resources through DEVELOP, our digital resource hub. Our Writing Centre is also very popular with postgraduate students, helping them to enhance their writing skills.

The centre also offers life coaching on a one-to-one basis or through the Pathways to Success programme.

For more information on the Student Advice and Learning Skills Centre, visit dcu.ie/sal or email student.support@dcu.ie

Student Health Service

The Student Health Service provides on-campus primary healthcare to all DCU students. We take care of the physical, psychological and social aspects of student health and offer a range of activities within the area of health promotion. For further information, go to dcu.ie/health

Counselling and Personal Development Service

This professional and confidential service is available to all registered postgraduate DCU students. The service is staffed by counselling psychologists/psychotherapists and psychotherapists at an advanced stage in training. We offer one-to-one counselling, professional crisis support and expert advice on a range of personal and psychological health and developmental issues. For further information and to register with the service visit dcu.ie/counselling

Disability and Learning Support

Our aim is to promote equality of access for learners with disabilities, specific learning difficulties, mental health difficulties, and ongoing medical conditions. In line with best practice guidelines, we coordinate a range of support for students who are registered with the service to ensure they have equity of access to their studies. For further information go to dcu.ie/disability

DEVELOP Online Resource Hub

DEVELOP is an online resource hub for all DCU students. There are eight different areas of support including Wellbeing, Study Skills, Mental Health, Life Skills, Career Focus, Digital Skills, Our Services, and Settling In. Resources can be accessed 24/7 and will benefit you throughout your time at DCU. DEVELOP services are available to registered students via the Loop App.

Entry Requirements

In general, the entry requirement for all taught postgraduate programmes is a primary degree of at least Second Class Honours standard from a recognised university or degree-awarding body. In some cases, approved equivalent qualification from a recognised professional body will suffice. As part of the selection process, an interview may be required.

In some cases, candidates not possessing the above entry qualification may be admitted provided that they can demonstrate exceptional aptitude or ability and/or substantial relevant work experience in a field related to the programme.

In line with DCU's Recognition of Prior Learning Policy, candidates who do not have the appropriate level of academic attainment

for direct entry may apply for access via the Recognition of Prior Learning process (RPL). Prior learning may be formal accredited learning or experiential/uncertified learning which includes the knowledge, skills and personal qualities acquired through life, work experience and study which are not formally attested. Further information on Recognition of Prior Learning can be found at dcu.ie/recognition-prior-learning/about-rpl

Detailed entry requirements and specific guidance and information relating to academic and other requirements associated with the programme are available in each of the programme descriptors on our website. Prospective applicants for a specific postgraduate taught programme should consult the online prospectus: dcu.ie/courses

English Language Requirements

Applicants whose first language is not English must provide evidence of equivalent competence in the English Language in a recognised English language test. The minimum standard in the English language varies by faculty, details can be found at: dcu.ie/registry/english-language-requirements-non-native-speakers-english-registry

Your English language certificate must be awarded within two years of the start date of your DCU programme.

In exceptional circumstances, results in examinations other than those published may be accepted as proof of competence in the English language. This may include non-native speakers of English who have completed their education through the medium of English in a country where English is the official language. Please include the details of any English language examinations and proof of successful completion when applying to DCU.



How to Apply

Postgraduate Taught Programmes

Candidates seeking admission to all full-time and part-time postgraduate taught programmes must apply online through DCU's Student Application Portal which can be accessed here: dcuie2.elluciancrmrecruit.com/Apply/Account/Login

Applicants can apply for up to three taught programmes or one research programme when making an application to DCU.

Programmes should be selected in order of preference. The cost of applying is €50 and is a non-refundable fee payable to DCU.

You must upload documentation relevant to your application through your account, such as certified transcripts for every year of study including the overall grade awarded, passport, and, if applicable, the English Language requirement. Other additional documentation may be requested during the application stage and must be provided prior to DCU's assessment.

On receipt of the application fee, your application will be available to view on the system. Applicants are notified by email. It is, therefore, imperative that applicants have a secure email account and review it regularly for updates, as no other means of communication between DCU and prospective applicants will be used. If you are successful and receive an offer, you will be required to make a €500 deposit via the student applicant portal in order to accept your place.

Closing Dates for Applications

EU and non-EU applications to full-time and part-time postgraduate taught programmes should note that each programme has an initial closing date indicating when applications should be submitted. Applications may be reviewed by DCU Admissions before or after the closing date.

Please note that all postgraduate programmes offered through DCU have entry requirements. In addition to qualifications, some programmes require extra information and applicants are asked to familiarise themselves with their programme(s) of choice before making an application. For details on the current closing dates applicable to postgraduate taught programmes please refer to the programme of interest on our website: dcu.ie/courses

For further information or assistance with your application please contact our Student Enrolment Team at:

Telephone: +353 (0) 1 700 5338

For EU postgraduate applicant queries, please visit dcu.ie/registry/eu-postgraduate-taught-admissions or email postgraduateadmissions@dcu.ie

For non-EU postgraduate applicant queries, please visit dcu.ie/registry/international-admissions-undergraduate-and-postgraduate or email internationaladmissions@dcu.ie

Finance and Funding

Postgraduate Fees

Separate fees are set for each programme. Fees are payable for each academic year, or each stage of your programme. Students are liable to pay revised fees annually for the duration of the programme. For current fee information, visit: dcu.ie/fees

Fees for International Students

For information on international student fees (non-EU entrants), visit: dcu.ie/fees/postgraduate-fees-2025-26

Grants and Scholarships

Postgraduate students can continue their Higher Education Grant or apply for one if they satisfy the means test and have not completed another postgraduate course. For more information on maintenance grants, visit: studentfinance.ie

Faculties also run individual scholarships for certain taught postgraduate programmes. For further information, visit: dcu.ie/postgrad-funding

Research Councils

Research Councils are a major source of financial support for EU students wishing to register for postgraduate research degrees. However, funding for certain taught programmes is occasionally available. For more information, visit: research.ie

Sponsorship from your Employer

If you are working and want to study part-time, some employers may help you with your course fees, or by offering flexible working.

Postgraduate Programmes

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

DCU's Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences has seven schools and is the largest faculty in the University, offering 27 postgraduate degrees. Our courses are modern, interactive and challenging, taught by experts with strong links to industry who always have their fingers on the pulse of what's happening in the real world. Our state-of-the-art facilities are second to none, with a media studio plus multimedia and language labs with the latest technology.

Our students often enjoy the benefit of expertise from more than one school and discipline such as the MSc in Climate Change: Media, Politics and Society where students gain expertise delivered by both our School of Communications and the School of Law and Government. Many of our postgraduate courses are also accredited by relevant professional bodies.

English in DCU is the top-ranked subject in the University, positioned in the Top 150 of the QS World University Rankings by Subject.

Humanities and Social Science subjects including Languages, Linguistics, Communications and Politics are all ranked within the top 200 offered worldwide. DCU's Fiontar agus Scoil na Gaeilge is the largest third-level Irish department in the country.



Part-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
LLM (Master of Laws) - 5 streams LLM (Master of Laws) General Pathway LLM in European Law LLM in International Human Rights Law LLM in Public Law LLM in Policing, Crime and Security	Two Years	September	DC662
MA i Léann na Gaeilge	Two Years	September	DC686
MA in Children's and Young Adult Literature	Two Years	September	DC699
MA in Creative Writing	Two Years	September	DC784
MA in Choral Studies* runs part-time only with an intake every 2nd year - next intake is Sept 2025	Two Years	September	DC664
MA in Data Protection and Privacy: Law and Computing	Two Years	September	DC786
MA in Ethics	Two Years	September	DC688
MA in Ethics (Corporate Responsibility)	Two Years	September	DC689
MA in History	Two Years	September	DC677
MA in International Relations	Two Years	September	DC608
MA in International Security and Conflict Studies	Two Years	September	DC629
MA in Music, Sound, Culture and Media - NEW for 2025	Two Years	September	DC400
MA in Refugee Integration	Two Years	September	DC663
MA in Political Communication	Two Years	September	DC604
MA in Social Media Communications	Two Years	September	DC614
MA in Theology and World Religions	Two Years	September	DC693

MA in Translation Studies	Two Years	September	DC615
MSc in Climate Change: Policy, Media and Society	Two Years	September	DC669
MSc sa Bhainistíocht agus Gnó Digiteach	Two Year	September	DC627
MSc in Public Policy	Two Years	September	DC649
MSc in Science and Health Communication	Two Years	September	DC606
MSc in Translation Technology	Two Years	September	DC700

Full-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
European Master in Law, Data and Artificial Intelligence (EMILDAI)	Two Years	September	DC625
International Master in Security, Intelligence and Strategic Studies (IMSISS)	Two Years	September	N/A
LLM (Master of Laws) - 5 streams LLM (Master of Laws) General Pathway LLM in European Law LLM in International Human Rights Law LLM in Public Law LLM in Policing, Crime and Security	One Year	September	DC662
MA i Léann na Gaeilge	One Year	September	DC686
MA in Children's and Young Adult Literature	One Year	September	DC699
MA in Creative Writing	One Year	September	DC784
MA in Data Protection and Privacy: Law and Computing	One Year	September	DC786
MA in Documentary Practice	One Year	September	DC775
MA in Gender and Sexuality Studies	One Year	September	DC723
MA in History	One Year	September	DC677

MA in International Relations	One Year	September	DC608
MA in International Security and Conflict Studies	One Year	September	DC629
MA in Journalism	One Year	September	DC600
MA in Music, Sound, Culture and Media - NEW for 2025	One Year	September	DC400
MA in Political Communication	One Year	September	DC631
MA in Refugee Integration	One Year	September	DC663
MA in Social Media Communications	One Year	September	DC614
MA in Translation Studies	One Year	September	DC615
MA in Theology and World Religions	One Year	September	DC693
MSc in Emerging Media	One Year	September	DC605
MSc in Public Policy	One Year	September	DC648
MSc in Science and Health Communication	One Year	September	DC606
MSc in Climate Change: Policy, Media and Society	One Year	September	DC669
MSc in Public Relations and Strategic Communications	One Year	September	DC674
MSc in Translation Technology	One Year	September	DC700

Research Studies (including Masters by Research and PhD studies) can be found on the research section of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences website: dcu.ie/humanities-and-social-sciences/research-faculty-humanities-social-sciences

DCU Business School

DCU Business School is accredited by EQUIS, AACSB and AMBA, giving us the triple crown of accreditations and placing us among the top 1% of Business Schools worldwide. Furthermore, DCU is the only university in the Republic of Ireland to be accredited by the Small Business Charter, providing further endorsement of the school's connection with industry.

Our globally ranked Master's Degrees offer clear routes to career progression in a wide range of business areas. Our internationally respected academic faculty have thought leadership, industry experience and deep, active, research expertise that ensures our courses stay at the cutting edge. Meanwhile, our classroom environment allows a rich exchange of real-world business experience and problem-solving that is equally valuable.

We will match your ambition and career goals with an exceptional specialist business education that will allow you to progress confidently to the next stages of your career.



Part-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
Executive MBA	Two Years	September	DC951
MSc in Emergency Management	Two Years	September	DC956
MSc in Work and Organisational Psychology/Behaviour	Two Years	September	DC957
MSc in Strategic Learning and Development	Two Years	September	DC534

Full-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
MSc in Accounting	One Year	September	DC501
MSc in Digital Marketing	One Year	September	DC516
MSc in Finance	One Year	September January	DC511
MSc in Human Resource Management	One Year	September	DC632
MSc in Global Management (Digital Disruption)*	One Year	September	DC527
MSc International Accounting and Business	One Year	September	DC526
MSc in Management (Business)	One Year	September January	DC510
MSc in Management (Strategy)	One Year	September January	DC514
MSc in Insight and Innovation	One Year	September	DC528
MSc in Management (Operations and Supply Chain)	One Year	September	DC537
Masters / Graduate Diploma in Financial Technology and Innovation	One Year	January	DC533

* The MSc in Global Management (Digital Disruption) is unique in its format and can be studied through three paths:

1. Full-time one year programme completed at DCU Business School. This programme confers a single MSc degree from DCU (apply here business.dcu.ie/course/msc-global-management).
2. Spend semester one in either Universidad de las Américas Puebla in Mexico, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (UCSC) in Italy, or Goodman Business School at Brock University in Canada before coming to DCU in semester two.

This programme confers a single MSc degree from DCU (apply at ipbsmgm.com)

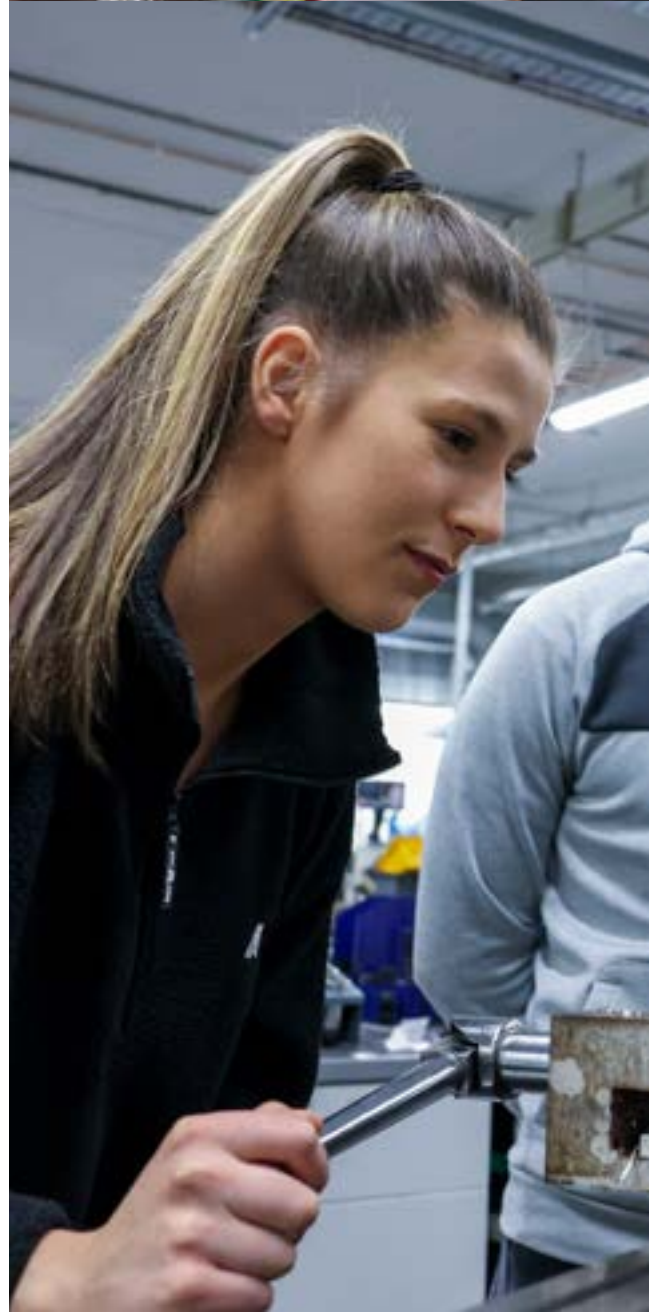
3. Spend one semester in DCU and either ESB Business School at Reutlingen University, Germany OR NEOMA Business School in Reims, France (apply at ipbsmgm.com)

Research Studies (including Masters by Research and PhD studies) can be found on the research section of the DCU Business School website at: business.dcu.ie/phd-programme

Faculty of Engineering and Computing

The Faculty is home to three Schools and hosts or participates in several large-scale research centres. We offer degree programmes at Bachelor's, Master's and PhD levels, while online Level 9 courses are now enabling those in employment to upskill in areas such as Artificial Intelligence and the Internet of Things. Our graduates continue to be highly sought after by industry, and their continued employability is assured through the Faculty's ever-deepening links with industry partners and an evolving curriculum that allows real-world work experience, industry-led team challenges and global engagement in line with DCU's internationalisation strategy.

The Faculty of Engineering and Computing offers a supportive, innovative learning environment in classes and tutorials. Our students benefit from their engagement with our research-active staff, while enjoying the experience of lab-based environments. Overall, we continue to commit ourselves to strive for ever more innovative approaches to teaching and learning, and, in doing so, to bring about a meaningful transformation in the lives of our students, alumni and the broader society.



Part-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
Access Course: MEng in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September	DC812
Masters Engineering Qualifier B: MEng in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September	DC838
Masters Engineering Qualifier: Electronic and Computer Engineering	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September February	DC847
MEng in Electronic and Computer Engineering	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September January	DC883
MEng in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September	DC814
MSc in Computing (with Major Options)	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September	DC836
MA in Data Protection and Privacy Law	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September	DC786
Single Module Programme - Engineering and Computing	For more information: dcu.ie/DC808		DC808
Masters Engineering Qualifier- Electronic and Computer Engineering	One Year (FT) Two Years (PT)	September January	DC847

Full-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
MSc in Electronic and Computer Technology	One Year 18 Months	September January	DC896

Faculty of Science and Health

Are you curious about the behaviours that drive our physical world? Is your appetite whetted by scientific discoveries that push the boundaries of our existence? Are you driven to work with individuals and communities to ease the burden of illness and maximise health and wellbeing?

Welcome to the Faculty of Science and Health. A place to discover, problem solve, experiment and explore. An inclusive environment that serves to innovate and inspire. Our internationally recognised centre of excellence thrives on the enthusiasm and dynamism of its people.

Our Mission is to foster and deliver education, research, and professional and practice development in science and health that is of national and international significance. Together the Schools and Centres provide a unique set of synergies to advance education and research in science and health and to support DCU to pursue its goals to transform lives and society. Staff in the Faculty have strong links to industry and also work closely with a range of community, health, and education organisations within the local community.



Part-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
Graduate Certificate in Relationships and Sexuality Education for People with Intellectual Disability	One Year	September	DC675
Graduate Certificate in Sexuality Education and Sexual Wellbeing	One Year	September	DC676
MSc in Psychotherapy	Four Years	September	DC715
MSc in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing	Two years	September	DC771
MSc in Health and Social Inclusion	Two years	September	DC745
MSc in Astrophysics and Relativity	Two years	September	DC742
MSc in Bioprocess Engineering	Two years	September	DC734
MSc in Diagnostics and Precision Medicine	Two years	September	DC739
MSc in Financial Mathematics	Two Years	September	DC704
MSc in Psychology and Wellbeing	Two Years	September	DC765
Professional Diploma in Clinical Supervision	Two Years	September	DC768
MSc in Elite Sport Performance	Two Years	September	DC702
Doctorate in Elite Performance (Sport)	Four Years	September	DCD44
Doctorate in Psychotherapy	Four Years	September	DCD13

Full-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
MSc in Bioprocess Engineering	One Year	September	DC734
MSc in Diagnostics and Precision Medicine	One Year	September	DC739
MSc in Financial Mathematics	One Year	September	DC704
MSc in Astrophysics and Relativity	One Year	September	DC742
MSc in Psychology (Conversion)	One Year	September	DC767
MSc in Psychology and Wellbeing	One Year	September	DC765
MSc in Health and Social Inclusion	One Year	September	DC745

DCU Institute of Education

The DCU Institute of Education is the newest faculty of Dublin City University and is based in DCU St Patrick's Campus, Drumcondra. Established in 2016 as Ireland's first university faculty of education, it has a staff of more than 140 full-time academics, an administrative team of 30 and a student body in excess of 4,000. The Institute brings together students of education across all sectors from early childhood, to primary and post-primary, and further and higher education. As well as providing a range of undergraduate programmes in education, the Institute offers a rich menu of taught and research-based postgraduate programmes, at doctoral, masters, diploma and certificate levels.

As a centre of expertise and excellence in teacher education and education more generally, the Institute hosts a range of research centres in key areas of priority and has an ambitious and growing programme of research.

With internationally-recognised experts in education policy, inclusive and special education, curriculum and pedagogy, assessment, literacy, evaluation and teacher education, the Institute provides a dynamic learning and working environment. As one of the world's leading young Universities, DCU has established its fifth and newest faculty out of a conviction that studies and research in education and the preparation and support of teachers are central to the transformation of lives and communities.



Part-time Programmes


Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
Graduate Certificate in the Education of Pupils on the Autism Spectrum	One Year	September	DC879
MSc in Education and Training Management (Leadership)	Two Years	September	DC900
MSc in Education and Training Management (eLearning)	Two Years	September	DC902
MSc in Guidance Counselling	Two Years	September	DC906
Graduate Diploma in Guidance Counselling	1.5 Years	September	DC908
Master of Education in Autism	Two Years	September	DC972
Professional Diploma in Inclusive and Special Education (ISE)	Two Years	September	DC979
MA in Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work	Two Years	September	DC980
Graduate Diploma in Inclusive Education, Learning Support and Special Education	One Year	September	DC983
Master of Education	Two Years	September	DC984
Masters in Special Educational Needs	Two Years	September	DC994
Certificate in Religious Studies	One Year	September	DC996
Graduate Diploma in Social, Personal and Health Education/Relationships and Sexuality Education	One Year	January	DC971

Full-time Programmes

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
Professional Master of Education (Post Primary Education)	Two Years	September	DC905
Professional Master of Education (Primary Teaching)	Two Years	August	DC970
MA in Chaplaincy Studies and Pastoral Work	One Year	September	DC980

Postgraduate Research

Programme	Duration	Commencement Date	Course Code
Doctor of Education	4 years	August/ September 2025	DCE49



Please note that the information contained in this prospectus is correct at time of print.

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