



University College Dublin
College of Science



Why UCD?

- Top 2% World University
- Ireland's largest and most international university
- Emphasis on Research and Innovation
- Safe, modern campus in Dublin, capital city of Ireland
- Extensive accommodation options with 24 hour security
- 1 hr flight from London

MSc World Heritage Management

Why is this course for me?

This taught masters programme provides you with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills to work as a conservation manager on a World Heritage site or equivalent cultural and natural sites anywhere in the world. You will develop a comprehensive understanding of the World Heritage Convention, protected area management and of the management and conservation challenges facing site managers and policy makers.

This is the only course of its type in Ireland and was one of the first of its kind in the world.

You will be taught by experts in a natural and cultural heritage from within UCD, from other universities and related national and international agencies. It is designed to accommodate students from a wide variety of academic disciplines such as archaeology, architecture, geography, biology, agriculture, engineering, history. Each year sees an internationally diverse group of students with a wide range of

experience in different areas of cultural and natural heritage which creates a very dynamic group.

This qualification is both internationally recognised and highly valued by prospective employers. On completion of the course you will also have the opportunity to become part of e network of alumni in the field of heritage management.

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The College is dedicated to the creation, delivery and communication of new knowledge and innovation across the spectrum in the area of Science. With a staff of 753 and a student population of 5454 including 1760 postgraduate students, the College is a vibrant community dedicated to excellence in all our pursuits. Our research informed teaching programmes offer excellent opportunities that equip graduates for the exciting range of employment

For full programme details see

<http://www.ucd.ie/bioenvsci/graduatestudents/postgraduatetaughtdegreesdiplomas/mscworldheritagemanagement/>

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opportunities provided by the national and international markets of the 21st Century. In addition to the seven Schools in the College, there are a number of associated Institutes including the Conway Institute of Biomolecular & Biomedical Research, the Institute of Food & Health where students and staff have access to major technology platforms essential to the conduct of world-class cutting-edge research.

What will I study?

The programme comprises lectures, seminars, workshops, fieldtrips and projects, which will broaden your knowledge and understanding, improve communication skills and improve your ability for independent thinking and for developing creative solutions.

The programme includes:

- The key stages of the processes of inscription of World Heritage Sites:
- The role of international legislation such as Directives, Regulations and Conventions in the strategy for global heritage conservation:
- Environmental interpretation and management of tourism in protected sites:
- Monitoring, reporting and mitigation of threats to sites including climate change effects:
- Analysing necessary conditions for selection, protection and management of cultural world heritage sites;

- Producing and interpreting a wide range of both species and habitat action plans for natural sites;
- Designing and implementing project planning and budgeting methods;
- Understanding the concept of sustainable development and how this concept impacts on environmental issues in the developing world;
- Communication and mediation skills; the fundamental approaches to resolving conflict and environmental disputes.;
- Application of remote sensing in land-use monitoring and site management;
- Archaeological and urban landscape management;

You will have the opportunity to visit Ireland's most iconic World Heritage Site, Bru na Boinne, as well as take part in field trips and workshops at spectacular World Heritage Sites in Spain, including Donana Natural Space and the Cathedral, Alcazar and Archivo de Indias in Seville

Students who successfully reach a Grade Point Average at the end of Stage 1 (taught component) are eligible to continue Stage 2 and complete their MSc Thesis.



One of the main factors that will determine your field of expertise in World Heritage Management is the research thesis that you will complete in second year. The topic is chosen in consultation with the Academic Directors and the aim is to develop project management, research and analytical skills in an area of conservation management that is of particular interest to you. The research thesis is carried out in the field and is designed to explore and resolve a practical management problem at a World Heritage Site or equivalent reserve.

Where are our graduates now?

Our graduates are building successful careers in the interdisciplinary field of heritage protection, management and research in Australia, China, England, Ethiopia, France, Ireland, Italy, Tanzania, Uganda and the U.S. to name a few countries. Graduates are working with international organisations, national authorities and in the private sector. They have secured positions in World Heritage Sites, National Parks and Museums, in senior government positions and positions in education. Graduates have also continued their research at PhD level further studies.

Career Opportunities

Include:

- World Heritage and Protected Area Manager ,
- Park warden and Park ranger,
- Heritage Officer and Education Officer,
- Managerial & Policy positions in government,
- Natural Resources' Manger
- Consultancy firms and Research:
- International conservation agencies