

Maynooth University

Postgraduate

Prospectus

2020





Welcome to Postgraduate Maynooth

Important Dates:

25 April 2020 & 27 June 2020

10 March 2020

Postgraduate Open Day (4-8pm)

Maynooth University, Library

If you would like to visit Maynooth University but are unable to attend one of our Open Days, we will arrange for you to meet a Department to discuss postgraduate studies.

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Welcome to your postgraduate experience at Maynooth University. MU is renowned for its rigorous programmes, supportive environment and diverse community.

Our researchers and academics hail from more than 95 countries and our alumni network comprises more than 75,000 people across the globe.

At Maynooth, senior academics and internationally respected researchers challenge and inspire students in small classes and with one-to-one supervision, helping emerging scholars to reach their academic potential.

Our postgraduate cohort includes students who hold John and Pat Hume Doctoral awards, Irish Research Council, Mitchell, Fulbright and SFI scholarships, reflecting Maynooth University's academic excellence across disciplines.

Maynooth University is dedicated to people, ideas and culture.

Mission

We work together as a scholarly community to inquire and discover, to teach and learn, to create, conserve, disseminate and apply knowledge, and to engage with challenges that face modern society.

Our various activities make us central to innovation, economic growth, social development and cultural vibrancy; these are essential components of a free, open, equal, democratic and sustainable society.

Our Principles and Values

Maynooth University is committed to:

- scholarly rigour;
- academic freedom;
- integrity and ethical behaviour;
- collegiality, transparency and trust;
- equality, inclusiveness and social justice;
- dignity, respect and care.



VISION

We are continuing to enhance our international reputation for:

- the exceptional and distinctive education we offer to students;
- the quality and impact of our research and scholarship;
- the connection between our research and teaching;
- the diversity of our student body and the quality of the student experience;
- the global scope of our teaching and research;
- effective engagement with enterprise, the community, civil society and the state;
- commitment to excellence, innovation and collegiality;
- our unique and collaborative contribution to the national system of higher education and to the economic, social and cultural life of the region and nation.



Dr. Siboniso Banda
Department of Law

Why choose Maynooth University?

Maynooth University is recognised as one of the leading new universities in the world, ranked #50 in the latest Times Higher Education (THE) 'Young Universities' list. This success follows on from Maynooth's extremely strong performances in other recent THE rankings, including being named among the top 500 universities in the world, and being recognised as one of the top universities for international connections and outlook.

The Times Higher Education Young University Rankings list the world's best universities that are 50 years old or younger. The 2019 ranking includes 351 universities. Universities are ranked according to a range of criteria, including research income achieved; reputation for teaching; numbers of PhDs awarded; the number of scholarly publications and their quality evidence by citations; and the numbers of international staff and students. Maynooth is ranked #50 in the world and first in Ireland.

Research Impact

Citations: 35,234

Publications 2714

Authors 1292

taken from SciVal 2014-2018

2715 publications recorded in Scopus.

- > 18.5% of Maynooth University publications are in 10% of most cited publications worldwide.
- > 9 new spin out companies have been created.
- > 20 patent applications filed.

Maynooth University ranked
no. 50 in the Young University
Rankings 2019.

Times Higher Education.

#50 

Top 301–350th in 2020
and top 200 European
universities

Times Higher Education World University Rankings

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€27.8M

Investment:
Research Income



95 countries represented
and over 75,000 Alumni
across the globe



75,000

195+



**Over 195 postgraduate
programmes**



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Research Students

International Reputation

In 2016, the University was ranked first in Ireland by international students for achieving excellence in Teaching and Learning, Student Experience and Support Services. In 2015, the University was one of only five European universities to receive the Outstanding International Student Satisfaction Award by StudyPortals.



Campus Experience:

Over the last 5 years, the Maynooth University campus infrastructure has expanded through the development of our state-of-the-art library, the addition of 300 places to our campus accommodation, the opening of a new School of Education building and the creation of our award-winning enterprise and technology hub.

10 Research Institutes



559 academic
& research staff



€50m current research
& contracts portfolio

82 new industry &
enterprise partnership
projects

402 FTE academic staff

12,900+ total students

2,145+ postgraduates

Advancement of knowledge through research

Knowledge Transfer and Commercialisation

Maynooth University MaynoothWorks encompasses knowledge transfer, entrepreneurship innovation and enterprise partnership.

Maynooth University is the lead institute in a technology transfer alliance with partner institutes WIT, AIT and ITC. MaynoothWorks develop links and connects researchers with industry and the market place enabling market informed research; identifying, protecting and exploiting Maynooth University generated Intellectual Property via licensing and company spin-out; and developing a culture of research commercialisation. The output of all technology and knowledge transfer activities contributes to the growth and development of Ireland's economy.

MaynoothWorks engages with postgraduate students to promote a culture of research commercialisation. Our commercialisation executives deliver an accredited graduate skills programme each year on Maynooth campus, hosting early career researchers and students from across our three TT partner institutes. The module entitled "Innovation and Research Commercialisation" introduces early career researchers to the culture of commercialisation and equips them with the know-how to commercialise the outcome of their research, to develop the ability to interact with industry and to improve their skills to innovate and work with an entrepreneurial mindset.



Maynooth Works Business Innovation Centre (BIC)

MaynoothWorks is embedded within the University community providing direct links between students and enterprise. Taken together these partnerships see Maynooth University working with leading technology, business enterprises, NGOs, cultural organisations, civil authorities, and academic partners across the globe. BIC supported 31 companies during 2019 and is now operating at full capacity.



World class research for important new insights

Research Institutes and Centres:

Maynooth University is proud of our prowess in the Social Sciences the Arts and Humanities, embodied in two flagship research institutes. In the Sciences and Engineering, we have major strengths across disciplines in climate research, human health, robotics, telecommunications and ocean energy.

In addition our teams are partners in a number of Science Foundation Ireland national centres, including in communications (CONNECT), software (LERO), data analytics (INSIGHT), geosciences (iCRAG) and renewable energy (MAREI), connecting our students with national priorities. The University also hosts the Innovation Value Institute - an Enterprise Ireland/IDA Technology Centre focused on IT Innovation.



Icarus – the Climate Research Centre

ICARUS undertakes leading edge research in observational climate science and modelling the effects of climate change – particularly as it affects Ireland.

Innovation Value Institute

The Innovation Value Institute is an open innovation consortium of over thirty international organisations focused on IT challenges for business.

Maynooth University Human Health Institute

The Maynooth University Human Health Institute contributes to solving important problems to improve human health on an individual, national and global scale. Our research draws on the unique expertise across a wide range of disciplines at Maynooth University. We translate basic research into effective therapies and outcomes with the support of industry partners, clinical partners and policy makers.

Maynooth University Hamilton Institute

A multidisciplinary research institute that builds bridges between mathematics and its applications in communications, networks, artificial intelligence and biology.

National Centre For Geocomputation

The national leader in the field of Geocomputation, NCG is committed to extending understanding and utilisation of the capture, analysis and modelling of spatial data.

Centre For Ocean Energy Research

This centre joins the quest to make wave energy technically and economically viable. The cohort of researchers is multidisciplinary, coming from various branches of engineering, mathematics and naval architecture.

Maynooth University Social Sciences Institute.

The Maynooth University Social Sciences Institute was launched in March 2017 with a remit to foster and carry out research of societal importance in all areas of the Social Sciences. It brings together over one hundred excellent researchers from Maynooth and external partners, and is a major international centre of excellence for research and policy in the social sciences. It incorporates the National Institute for Regional And Spatial Analysis, and the National Centre for Geocomputation.

Maynooth University Arts and Humanities Institute

Maynooth University is respected internationally as a major centre of research and scholarship in diverse areas of the arts and humanities. The Maynooth University Arts and Humanities Institute brings together over one hundred researchers and scholars from both Maynooth and partner institutions to ensure that we continually build on our strength in these traditional fields.

National Institute For Regional & Spatial Analysis

Nirsa undertakes fundamental, applied and comparative research on spatial processes and their effects on social and economic development in Ireland, and providing high quality graduate education.

Assisting Living & Learning Institute (ALL)

The ALL (Assisting Living & Learning) Institute's globally distinctive feature is in developing the interface between the users of technologies and the broader community and societal infrastructure and systems required to make this use beneficial. This interface is where some of the most exciting and empowering developments will occur in the coming decades.



Student Research

Supporting the student researcher with professional skills training

All research students at Maynooth University undertake a structured research MSc/MLitt or PhD programme, each of which incorporate educational opportunities relevant to research and professional development. MU research students develop a skillset that includes advanced research and analysis techniques, as well as a broad range of transferable skills.

The MU Research Skills Development Programme draws on the expertise of the Graduate Studies and Research Development Offices, in conjunction with faculties, departments and professional units within the university, to further support research students in acquiring the skills and experience necessary to become independent academic researchers and to develop their careers in multiple settings beyond academia. This support is offered through the provision of a number of interdisciplinary modules and workshops.

Research programmes at Maynooth University balance both research-specific and professional development education to ensure our research students are prepared for a future of engaging in excellent research and excelling in a variety of challenging careers.



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Doctoral Students

The interdisciplinary modules and workshops within the Research Skills Development Programme include, among others:

- Communicating your Research
- Considering your Future Career
- Research Ethics & Integrity
- Research Data Management
- Academic Writing
- Publishing in Academic Journals
- Thesis Completion & Career Development
- Grant Management & Compliance
- Innovation & Research Commercialisation
- Creative Thinking & Problem Solving
- Postgraduate Teaching & Learning

Revolutionise search and rescue operations

Dr Stephanie Keogh

Job Title:

Research Project Manager

Organisation:

U-Flyte

Department:

Geography, National Centre
for Geocomputation (NCG)

Undergraduate Qualification:

BA European Studies

Postgraduate Qualification:

MSc in Climate Change,
PhD in Urban Climatology

Year of Graduation:

2009

Graduating with a BA in European Studies at Maynooth University, having studied geography as a core subject, Dr Stephanie Keogh developed a strong interest in climate change during an Erasmus year in Toulouse, France.

“I was fortunate in that when I returned, the MSc in Climate Change was launching at Maynooth,”

Climate change and the urban environment became the subject of her PhD at Maynooth, focusing in particular on air quality and carbon dioxide levels in Dublin city.

Dr Keogh is a member of U-Flyte at Maynooth's National Centre for Geocomputation (NCG). U-Flyte's research focuses on integrating drone technology into existing emergency services and air traffic control regulations. This research has the potential to revolutionise search and rescue operations, making them safer and more efficient than ever and is funded by Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) and industry collaborators including Airbus, Irelandia Aviation and INTEL.



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Dr Stephanie Keogh,
PhD Graduate, Maynooth University

Gaining invaluable insight & in-depth understanding

What are you doing now since you graduated? How is the learning from the Masters in Social Science (Rights and Social Policy) relevant to your career today?

I now work for the Galway City Partnership. In my current role as Direct Provision Support Worker I work both with individuals on a one-to-one and I work on a group basis. The MSocSc (Rights and Social Policy) qualification has proved to be instrumental to me in critically understanding issues on an individual and collective basis and how individual experiences can be impacted by national policies; identifying local and national policies linked with these issues; and working with affected individuals or groups to influence policies at local and national level.

Examples include working with various stakeholders at local, national and EU level on policy related issues that come from my direct work with people in Direct Provision. These include working with: the city council, public service providers; banks, sports clubs and sports bodies; media, TDs, national university and various third level education providers; the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission and national migrant organisations on policy issues that emerge from my work in Direct Provision.

What did you enjoy most about studying on the Master of Social Science (Rights and Social Policy) degree? What did you feel you learnt most from this Masters course?

All of the Master of Social Science (Rights and Social Policy) degree modules were pertinent to my career since graduating. I particularly enjoyed gaining invaluable insight and in-depth understanding of how one can contribute to and influence social policy development; critiquing and analysing existing social policies; identifying underpinning issues in many social policies and then using these insights and advanced analytical and writing skills to influence social policy from a human rights, equality and justice perspective. I had studied Community and Youth Work at undergraduate level and the Masters in Rights and Social Policy built on my undergraduate degree with policy and rights knowledge and skills.

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Obert Makaza
Master of Social Science
(Rights and Social Policy)

Healing the leaky Oesophagus



Healing the leaky Oesophagus may be an important factor in the treatment of the food allergic disease, Eosinophilic Oesophagitis

An international team of researchers, led by Dr Joanne Masterson, a principle investigator at the Kathleen Lonsdale Institute for Human Health Research at Maynooth University, made an important breakthrough recently that shines new light on the processes leading to the allergic disease Eosinophilic Oesophagitis (EoE).

The scientists discovered a protein in the body that is a key driver of oesophageal barrier function, which is switched off in patients with this disease. The restoration of this protein and its function is an important step in the healing process associated with allergy and so may offer a new approach to treating EoE and other food allergic diseases.

Food allergies are regarded as amongst some of the most difficult allergies to treat. With the rapidly emerging disease EoE, we are still developing our understanding both clinically and scientifically.

Many people who have EoE will show signs of the disease early in life, including difficulties with feeding, swallowing and food often becoming stuck in the oesophagus, which leads to an overall very poor quality of life for patients. Eosinophilic Oesophagitis has been considered a rare disease that mainly affects children, but it is now routinely encountered in hospitals and general practitioner settings, affecting both children and adults.

First clinically described just over 20 years ago, the latest research shows that EoE is rapidly increasing in incidence and prevalence, at a rate beyond that which can simply be attributed to our improved clinical recognition. This research is timely given the increased attention EoE is receiving from clinical research and pharmaceutical companies pursuing the development of effective treatment alternatives and clinical trials for this growing population of vulnerable patients.

The findings were published in the prestigious scientific journal, The Journal of Clinical Investigation.

Before moving to the Maynooth University Department of Biology, Dr Masterson originally trained at the University of Colorado School of Medicine and Children's Hospital Colorado Digestive Health Institute with a multidisciplinary team of investigators who are leading the field of EoE clinical research.

Dr Masterson explains: "We still don't really know how or why this disease occurs. Our research is exploring this, and as a result uncovering additional treatment options for these patients and their doctors. There are limited options for treating EoE patients and current clinical trials are focused on targeting inflammation and the immune system directly. Given the continuing increase experienced in the diagnosis of this disease, we are looking at changing the angle at which we are looking for new treatment options.



Dr. Joanne Masterson, Department of Biology

“We now know that a leaky epithelial barrier commonly occurs in the oesophagus of patients with EoE, as it does in patients with other allergic diseases. Our research points to a new potential protein that we can further explore for EoE treatment and indeed possibly for other allergic diseases involving a leaky barrier. These findings outline paths to new treatment strategies that would focus on healing the tissue rather than directly targeting the immune system,” she said.

“Understanding how the body promotes its own healing processes is a major focus of our lab’s research and may provide important clues for designing new treatments for patients with allergic diseases such as Eosinophilic Oesophagitis. This discovery will now push researchers towards considering tissue repair as a way forward.”

The research project is funded by US National Institute of Health, Science Foundation Ireland and American Partnership for Eosinophilic Disorders.

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Increasing your employability



Having a postgraduate degree increases your chances of employability.

Employment:

There is a positive correlation between postgraduate qualifications and earnings potential. Recent research shows that 86% of Taught postgraduate graduates were in employment 9 months after graduation in comparison with 75% of BA graduates.



Maynooth University students have pursued internships in Ireland, New Zealand, Australia, China and across Europe.

Internships:

Maynooth graduates have engaged in internships at major companies such as Microsoft, Pfizer, IBM, Ericsson, Intel, Oracle, Ely, Lilly and Accenture. Recent graduates from Maynooth University are now working in professions such as teaching, journalism, economics, IT, charities and many others. Employers of Maynooth University graduates include the Central Bank of Ireland, KPMG, EY and Intel.





Employment:

84% of Master's graduates and 88% of PhD graduates who responded to the Graduate Outcome survey 2019 were in employment within 9 months of graduation.

88%

Skills Workshops

Employers:

49% of employers indicated in a recent study that 'communications skills', 'group work' and 'writing skills' were key skills gaps in graduate attributes. In 2018, Maynooth University has introduced academic skills workshops for Master's students to support their postgraduate studies.



Careers Development:

The Careers Development Centre is available to help you at every stage throughout your studies, providing:

- a student-focused, professional and informative service
- careers education, information, advice and guidance
- a drop-in help desk - help with career planning, feedback on CV preparation and help with job applications.



[Open access talks on career planning, CV preparation, excelling at interviews, and business etiquette are run each semester.](#)



How to Apply

Apply using the Postgraduate Application
Centre (PAC) online portal:
www.pac.ie/maynoothuniversity

Apply:

Applicants will register their details on the PAC website before selecting their course. Programmes should be selected in order of preference. There is a €50 fee (non-refundable) to apply for up to three postgraduate programmes at Maynooth University.

The following information **MUST** be uploaded to your online application form before your application will be considered.



- Certified copies of all official transcripts of results for all non-Maynooth University qualifications listed **MUST** accompany the application. Non-Maynooth University applicants who are currently completing undergraduate/postgraduate programmes and have not completed final exams should submit certified copies of academic transcripts with details of subjects studied and results to date. Final results and the proposed date of conferring should be submitted as soon as they become available.
- Non-Maynooth University students must provide two academic written references and a copy of a valid passport or birth certificate. All documentation which is not in English must be officially translated to English.



Late Applications:

Students are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Each postgraduate programme has an indicated closing date.

Where programme places have not been filled it may be possible to make a late application. Please contact the Department where you wish to study to confirm whether you can make a late application.



Fees

The Fees & Grants office's primary function is the setting and collection of all student fees due to the University. Our aim is to provide as much information and practical advice for undergraduate & postgraduate students pertaining to the SUSI, payment of fees, refunds, tax relief, stipends, research funding, etc. Please check the Fees & Grants Office website on a regular basis for up-to-date information for each Academic year: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-fees-grants.

Postgraduate Fees & Grants information

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-fees-grants/postgraduate. A non-refundable deposit of €200.00 is required when you accept your place on your programme.

Please feel free to call in person to the Fees & Grants Office, at any stage throughout the academic year, where any member of the team will gladly assist with your query or contact us by email at fees.office@mu.ie



Digital map of Ireland's vibrant 16th century

IRC Laureate awarded to Prof Patricia Palmer for first-ever digital map of Ireland's vibrant 16th century 'Renaissance'

The poets, patrons and political activists of the most culturally rich and tumultuous period of Ireland's history will be digitally mapped for the first time in a project created by Maynooth University's Professor Patricia Palmer from the Department of English and Arts and the Humanities Research Institute.

The MACMORRIS project sets out to recover the vibrancy and complexity of Ireland's transformative years between Henry VIII's assumption of the kingship of Ireland in 1541 and the Flight of the Earls in 1607.

It is a radically new digital humanities project creating the first annotated and interactive digital map of all cultural players—from poets, patrons, and pamphleteers, to translators, travel-writers, and administrators—of this rich period in Irish history.

In 2019 Prof Palmer's project: 'Mapping Actors and Contexts: Modelling Research in Renaissance Ireland in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Century' (MACMORRIS) received just under €1 million in funding through the Irish Research Council's Advanced Laureate Programme.

"The MACMORRIS project opens a window on a world on the cusp of drastic change but where, for the moment, everything is still in play. Gaelic culture is vibrant; the English vernacular of the Pale is lively and colourful; agents of the Tudor conquest like Edmund Spenser bring the energies – often dark energies – of the English Renaissance to Ireland; and contact with mainland Europe is routine.

"MACMORRIS allows us to tap into a diverse, multilingual world that reminds us just how rich and complex the wellsprings of Irish culture are."

When congratulating Prof Palmer on receiving the IRC Advanced Laureate Award, Prof Ray O'Neill, Vice-President of Research and Innovation at Maynooth University, said, "Prof Palmer's pioneering field of research, which encompasses English, Irish Studies, History, European languages, as well as the digital humanities, is a shining example of the strong multidisciplinary culture of excellent research being conducted at Maynooth University."





Professor Pat Palmer, Department of English

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Entry Routes

1. Undergraduate Entry Route

When planning postgraduate studies, it is essential for undergraduates to start to consider their postgraduate course options early in the final academic year of their BA/BSc degree studies.

The PAC application system will be open from November 2019 for 2020 applications with sample module content, entry requirements and closing dates available online at: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/postgraduate

Undergraduates should review current course timetables to get an understanding of the time commitment involved in their preferred programmes, as this will help with financial planning for postgraduate studies. While programmes may run with different modules and timetables may change from year to year, the current information provides the most up-to-date guidance on what to expect from the postgraduate experience.

At Maynooth University, prospective students are encouraged to make contact with course coordinators to ask for more information about programme content in advance of making an application.



2. Postgraduate Conversion Courses

It is possible to move into a new area of study via a conversion Master's programme. These popular programmes offer level 8 Bachelor degree holders (or equivalent) a 'no experience necessary' path into a new field of expertise.

Maynooth University offers conversion opportunities in 2020 through its Master's programmes in:

- Marketing
- Business Management
- IT Enabled Innovation
- Design Innovation
- Economics (2 year programme)
- Finance (2 year programme)
- Accounting (2 year programme)
- the Higher Diploma in Legal Studies
- the Professional Master of Education (primary and secondary teaching)
- and more.





3. Recognising Professional Experience

For candidates without an academic degree, a Taught Master's qualification is still an option at Maynooth University. Through its recognition of prior experiential learning (RPEL) policy, Maynooth University acknowledges the value of labour market participation to life-long education.

Our RPEL policy facilitates a review of the professional skills and relevant life experience of the individual, particularly for applicants without significant academic qualifications. In 2019, 26 RPEL/non-standard entry applications for postgraduate study have been approved for individuals who do not hold a primary degree or who hold a level 7 degree.



RPEL Graduate profile

Starting my career as a graphic designer in the '80's, there was just no academic route for me to take, as it was all about on-the-job training. I never thought a Master's would be something I would be considered for, let alone graduate at the top of my class. It was incredible to think that my career as a whole was considered as part of my application.

As a self-employed professional working alone, having the opportunity to work in teams with graduates from marketing, business, IT and product design as part of the Master's in Design Innovation was fantastic. Having the MSc opened doors to new clients and projects and broadened my skills for work in new areas.'

Open doors to new clients and projects



International Students

Student Experience

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Academic and English-Language Requirements for non-EU citizens

International applicants must have a recognised primary (undergraduate) degree which is considered equivalent to an Irish university primary degree. Some programmes may have additional requirements.

The minimum English-language requirements for postgraduate study are a IELTS 6.5 score, TOEFL (IBT) 92 score or equivalent.

Non-EU students can submit their applications directly to Maynooth University or through one of the University's trusted educational agents. In cooperation with EduCo International Group, the University offers a postgraduate pathway programme for students who don't meet the academic and English-language requirements for direct entry. For more information, see: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/postgraduate

6.5 IELTS
score 

92 TOEFL (IBT)
score or equivalent.

The Graduate Work Visa Scheme:

After completing a degree programme at Maynooth University, international students can apply for the Graduate Work Visa Scheme.

This enables students to remain in Ireland for up to two years after they graduate to actively seek full-time employment. During this time, students may also apply for further permission to remain in the state under green card or work permit arrangements.



Financial Aid

North American students (citizens or permanent residents) may apply for US aid to fund their studies at Maynooth University, including the US Federal Direct Loan Program, Sallie Mae private loans, and Veterans Affairs Benefits.

Please see www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/key-information/us-financial-aid



Postgraduate Scholarships

Maynooth University invests €1.4 million annually in our postgraduate students at Master's and PhD level.

Our postgraduate scholarships are open for applications in March 2020.

Apply online
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/postgradscholarships



Dean of Graduate Studies and winners of John and Pat Hume scholarship 2019

PhD Scholarships at Maynooth University

Students intending on pursuing a PhD in 2020/2021 who have a relevant first class or 2.1 honours in their primary degree, or a relevant Master's degree, are eligible to apply for a scholarship at Maynooth University. Scholarship options include a MU Teaching Studentship Scholarship, a MU Doctoral Scholarship and a John and Pat Hume Doctoral Scholarship.

Graduate Teaching Studentship opportunities are offered across a range of disciplines at Maynooth University each year. Successful applicants will commence PhD Doctoral studies at Maynooth University in the Autumn semester and will have 5 years to complete their PhD.

The funding offered includes:

- Full-time annual PhD tuition fees for up to 5 years;
- A fixed stipend of €9007 per annum;

In addition to their PhD research, the recipient of the Teaching Studentship will support the teaching and assessment duties of their Department up to a maximum of 455 hours per annum.

The Doctoral Scholarship offers newly commencing PhD students the chance to apply for funding for four years that covers full fees and a fixed stipend of between €10-€16K per annum while gaining invaluable experience with up to 224 hours of teaching duties per annum while engaging in research.





John and Pat Hume Doctoral Awards

Each year, Maynooth University provides up to thirty John and Pat Hume doctoral awards to support student research. Established in honour of John Hume, an alumnus of Maynooth University, these awards recognise his contribution to Ireland.

There are three levels of award, offering up to €18,000 annually and full fees for 4 years of study. The application process is open to EU and non-EU citizens and both Maynooth and non-Maynooth University graduates.

As part of the Athena Swan initiative, Maynooth University will fund two Women in STEM Hume (WISH) awards. All applicants are subject to the eligibility requirements as stated in the John and Pat Hume Doctoral Scheme Terms and Conditions.

Closing Date for online applications: 3rd April 2020
Apply online: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/jphawards

Taught Master's Scholarships

Maynooth University offers scholarships of €2,000 cash to support full-time taught Master's study at Maynooth University. These Master's Scholarships are open to EU and non-EU citizens, and to Maynooth and non-Maynooth graduates.

A 2.1 final honours undergraduate degree result or equivalent is the minimum requirement to apply.

Closing Date: closing 15th June 2020.

€2,000
funding support



Access to specialist modules

"I have found the structured PhD programme at Maynooth to have been very rewarding; the structured PhD has allowed me to gain access to specialist modules such as the professional certificate in teaching and learning (CTL).

The CTL module in particular has improved my communication and class preparation skills, opening up a whole world of teaching techniques that I otherwise would not have been aware of.

As a direct result of these specialist modules offered at Maynooth University, I have gained employment as a workshop facilitator and assistant lecturer in several other third level institutions.

I am certain that my ability to fulfil these roles, along with my future employment prospects, have been greatly improved as a consequence of being involved in the structured PhD experience at Maynooth University."

Shane Byrne
John and Pat Hume Scholar

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Flexing my teamwork skills

The School of Business at Maynooth really set me up for a successful debut in the world of work.

From flexing my teamwork skills through collaborative group assignments during my undergraduate degree, to a partnered thesis research project in the M.Sc. IT Enabled Innovation program; the curriculum is truly geared towards getting students ready for the challenges we face when working as part of a team. The small class size in the Master's programme and the group work provides invaluable life experience for dealing with different personalities and getting work done using one another's strengths.

A few short weeks after graduating from Maynooth I secured my first role as a Product Owner at a large multinational software development company. I have since gone on to land my dream job as a Product Manager at Workday, where I work alongside a team of talented software developers, researchers and designers in the creation of highly usable and valuable enterprise software solutions.

My salary and opportunities for progression have increased considerably since completing my postgraduate degree, and I have embraced numerous opportunities which wouldn't have been possible for me before.

Lauren Morrissey
B.A. Business & English
M.Sc. IT Enabled Innovation

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Postgraduate Activities On Campus

Maynooth University is renowned for its positive student experience ranking as the top university in Ireland in the 2016 International Student Barometer survey.

Postgraduate Feedback Council

A key activity for postgraduate student engagement at Maynooth University is the Postgraduate Feedback Council, composed of representatives of master's and doctoral students, Faculty Deans, Graduate Studies Officers and academic staff.

The Council meets twice each semester to discuss the student experience and to access feedback on proposed enhancements to services and policy initiatives. In the last five years, the Council has provided feedback on the redesign of postgraduate Doctoral and Taught Master's scholarships, on the development of postgraduate spaces on campus and has provided student representation on new initiatives.

While the Council meets four times per year, the Graduate Studies Office engages with student members between meetings to request support for campus activities and for assistance with dissemination of information to the postgraduate community.

Postgraduate Feedback Council in session





Winners of the 3minute thesis competition 2019



Postgraduate Awards

In recognition of the important contribution of individual students and research supervisors to the postgraduate community of Maynooth University, a Postgraduate Awards programme is run annually.

Now in its third year, there are three award categories open to current postgraduate students including the Community Impact Award, the Research Impact Award and the Postgraduate Teaching Award. An additional Doctoral Supervision Award (for academic staff) annually recognizes excellence in research supervision.

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) is an academic competition developed by The University of Queensland (UQ), Australia for research students. This engaging, fast-moving format called the '3 minute thesis competition' is open to all PhD students, MA, MLitt and MSc students. Each competitor has 3 minutes and 1 static slide to present their thesis. The competition is judged by the Dean of Graduate Studies and 2 academic guest judges. Prizes are awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.

Winners of the Annual Postgraduate Awards and Dean of Graduate Studies 2019



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Can artificial intelligence reduce anxiety in the workplace?

Dr Souleiman Hasan and Dr Jon Gruda of the School of Business are exploring how tweets can identify personality characteristics and anxiety levels in the workplace.

Anxiety levels, particularly at work, can often be overwhelming. It is widely known that the experience of high anxiety at work can lead to several negative personal as well as organisational outcomes, including burnout, sick days, absenteeism and high turnover.

However, the onset of anxiety is often not evident to the person experiencing it. If we are not able to identify the onset of our own anxiety, it makes it impossible for us to assess anxiety and the cause of that anxiety accurately. In addition, if asked to report our anxiety levels after an important event (such as an important client presentation), we sometimes forget how anxious we were before.

Again, this makes it immensely difficult to establish a baseline for anxiety over time. Finally, some people are just more anxious than others, and we need to consider these individual differences as well.

All of these reasons make it difficult to assess anxiety simply by asking others. In our most recent research, we took on this challenge and developed a machine-learning tool to automatically detect the onset of anxiety levels through text.

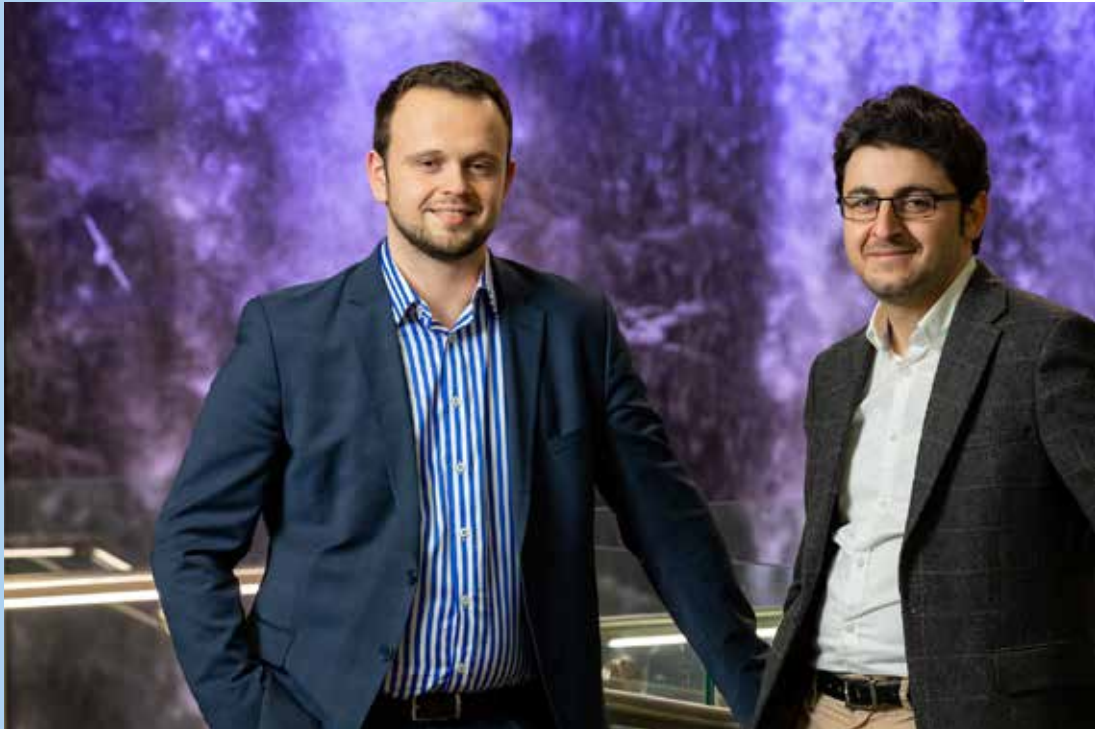
So what does this mean exactly? Well, whenever we write to others about what we are currently doing, what we are thinking about, what or whom we have talked to, we generate and leave behind clues about our feelings at the time.

For example, when texting friends over the phone, many people do not use proper punctuation, such as a full stop at the end of every sentence. However, whenever we're angry or want to express that something is wrong, we begin to use full stops at the end of sentences, as if to say "pay attention, I'm using proper punctuation! Something is wrong!"

Although this marks a very small change, and the content of the message does not change at all, the person they are chatting to immediately knows that something is wrong.

As researchers, we can look back at such texts and make certain guesses about the texter's feelings at that particular time. Over time, the accumulation of such clues can be used to identify participants' personality and characteristics.

An ideal place to look for such clues is Twitter. It has over 330 million monthly active users, who produce on average 6,000 tweets per second or 500 million tweets per day. Tweeting is quick, short, and mostly captures what is going on at any particular moment.



Dr Souleiman Hasan and Dr Jon Gruda, School of Business

The question then becomes how we can get a machine to score anxiety within text, so the process can be automated. The answer can be found in the artificial intelligence domain of machine learning.

First, a set of tweets which are related to the workplace have been distributed to a set of human raters who use a scale developed within the psychometrics to measure anxiety.

Secondly, the resulting labelled tweets are used to learn a software model that can replicate how humans rated the tweets. Finally, the learned model is run on new tweets and anxiety scores are predicted.

This research used publicly accessible tweets to demonstrate the concept as they allow us to measure anxiety levels in a non-invasive, naturally-occurring setting, and also give us more insight in the changes of anxiety in individuals over time.

The experience of high anxiety at work can lead to several negative personal as well as organisational outcomes



An Ghaeilge san Ollscoil

Tá pobal bríomhar Gaeilge anseo in Ollscoil Mhá Nuad.

Cuirimid ócáidí ar siúl ar an gcampas go rialta do chainteoirí Gaeilge agus do dhaoine a bhfuil spéis acu sa teanga. Bíonn an-tóir ag mic léinn agus ag baill foirne ar ár ranganna Gaeilge. Tá Cuallacht Cholm Cille, Cumann Gaelach na hOllscoile, ar cheann de na cumainn is mó agus is rathúla ar an gcampas.

Oifig na Gaeilge

Tacaíonn Oifig na Gaeilge le húsáid na Gaeilge i measc fhoireann agus mhic léinn. Má tá spéis agat sa Ghaeilge, bí linn agus tapaigh na deiseanna atá ar fáil anseo oifig.nagaeilge@mu.ie

Lean Oifig na Gaeilge ar na meáin shóisialta le teacht ar an nuacht agus ar na hócáidí is déanaí:

🐦 @OnaGaeilgeMU

📷 @oifignagaeilgemu

Oifigeach na Gaeilge Aontas **na Mac Léinn (AML)**

Cuireann Oifigeach na Gaeilge AML an Ghaeilge chun cinn i measc mhic léinn na hOllscoile gaeilge@nuimsu.com

An Cumann Gaelach

Spreagann Cuallacht Cholm Cille úsáid na Gaeilge ar an gcampas trí imeachtaí agus trí fheachtais éagsúla. Lean an Chuallacht ar na meáin shóisialta:

📘 @Cuallacht

📺 @CuallachtMaNuad

📢 Cuallachtnag

Seomra na Gaeilge, Foirgneamh na nEalaíon

Spás sóisialta do chainteoirí Gaeilge.

Scéim Chónaithe

Cuirtear seomraí in árasáin ar an gcampas thuaidh ar fáil dóibh siúd a bhfuil spéis acu an Ghaeilge a úsáid agus a chur chun cinn ar an gcampas.

Ranganna Gaeilge (ILASP)

Cuirtear ranganna Gaeilge, ag leibhéil éagsúla, ar fáil do mhic léinn (mic léinn idirnáisiúnta san áireamh). Bíonn an deis ag rannpháirtithe scrúdú Gaeilge TEG (Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge) a dhéanamh agus cáilíocht phroifisiúnta a fháil, rud a chuireann le deiseanna fostaíochta san earnáil phoiblí, in earnáil an oideachais agus eile. Tuilleadh eolais ó teanga@mu.ie

Coiste na Gaeilge

Oibríonn an coiste ar mhaithe le cur chun cinn na Gaeilge in obair laethúil na hOllscoile.

Irish in the University

There is a vibrant Irish language community here in Maynooth University.

We hold regular events on campus for Irish language speakers and for those with an interest in the Irish language. Our Irish language classes are very popular amongst students and staff. Cuallacht Cholm Cille, the University's Irish language society, is one of the largest and most successful societies on campus.

The Irish Language Office

The Irish Language Office supports the use of the Irish language among staff and students. If you have an interest in Irish, join us and make the most of the opportunities available here.
oifig.nagaeilge@mu.ie

Follow the Irish Language Office on social media for the latest news and events:

- 📧 @OnaGaeilgeMU
- 📷 @oifignagaeilgemu

SU Irish Language Officer

The Students' Union Irish Language Officer promotes Irish among the student body.
gaeilge@nuimsu.com

Irish Language Society

Cuallacht Cholm Cille promotes the use of Irish through various events and campaigns. Follow them on social media:

- 📧 @Cuallacht
- 📷 @CuallachtMaNuad
- 📺 Cuallachtnag

Irish Language Room, Arts Building

A social space for Irish language speakers.

Irish Language Residency Scheme

Rooms in apartments on the north campus are available to those who wish to speak and promote Irish on campus.

Irish Language Classes (ILASP)

Irish language classes, at various levels, are available to students (including international students). Participants have the option of taking a TEG (Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge) examination and getting a recognised qualification in the Irish language, which enhances graduates' employability in the public sector, in education and in many other areas. Email teanga@mu.ie for further information.

Irish Language Committee

The committee works to promote the use of Irish in the day-to-day affairs of the University.

Campus Facilities

Maynooth University has a reputation for excellence in teaching and learning and support for students to challenge themselves, with access to an academic staff which is second to none.

Investment

Maynooth University offers a large, historic campus ideal for postgraduate studies. In recent years, Maynooth has invested in an impressive capital building project, including a new state-of-the-art Library building, student accommodation, a bespoke Education building and an award-winning enterprise and technology hub.



Lárionad na Gaeilge: Taighde, Teagasc agus Tástáil (Centre for Irish Language)

The Centre for Irish Language at Maynooth University provides quality language teaching and training. The Centre's work has developed to include expertise in language testing, training of professional translators and training of teachers of Irish and adult learners.

Career Development Centre

The Career Development Centre is available to help you at every stage throughout your studies, providing a student-focused, professional informative service and careers education, information, advice and guidance; a drop-in Help desk; help with career planning, feedback on CV preparation and help with job applications.



Library

A key resource for postgraduate students, the Library offers a wealth of support, services and information. Our dedicated team of librarians supports students and researchers in finding and using information as part of their studies. Further information can be found here http://nuim.libguides.com/support_training

Services include book borrowing, laptop and kindle lending, a dedicated Postgraduate Study Room, bookable Group Study Rooms and a range of study spaces equipped with power, and Wi-Fi facilities.

Library resources include print and electronic formats, with over 470,000 printed publications and online access to the full text of 107,615 e Journals and 860,000 eBooks.

The Library also holds a unique collection of rare books, pamphlets, manuscripts and archives dating back to the 15th century that is available in both the John Paul II and Russell libraries.



The Writing Centre

The Writing Centre offers free, friendly, non-judgmental writing help to postgraduate students, regardless of course, degree, or level.

Students can make an appointment to meet with a Writing Centre tutor to discuss their work or their writing processes. Appointments are available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday @ 10.00 hrs, 11.00 hrs, 12.15 hrs & 13.00 hrs.

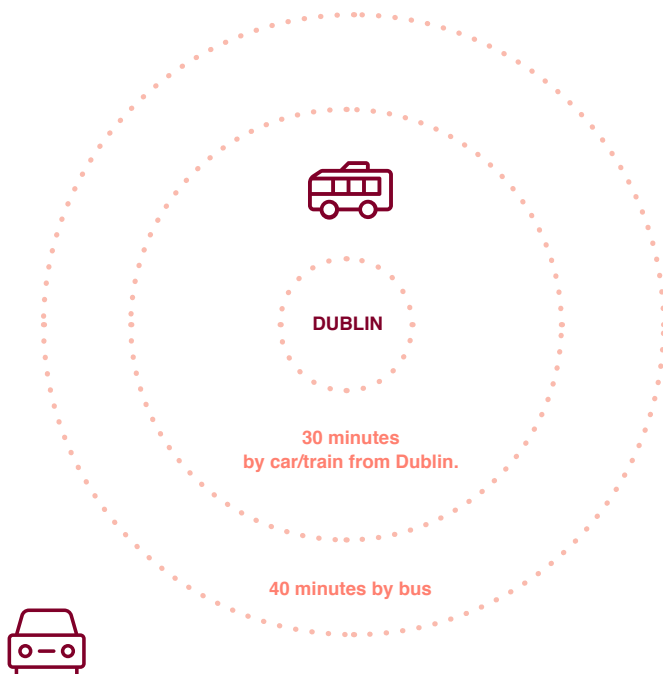
Appointments last a maximum of 45 minutes and can be booked by emailing writingcentre@mu.ie. The Writing Centre also supports the University's interdisciplinary doctoral writing group, run by doctoral researchers, for doctoral researchers.



Getting to Maynooth

Located in the heart of Ireland's only university town, we are just 25 kilometres from the city of Dublin.

Surrounded by the rich heritage and beauty of Kildare, the university town has all you could need and all within walking distance.



Cycling is a popular way of commuting to the University

Irish Rail:

The Sligo train line passes through Maynooth to Dublin via Collooney, Ballymote, Boyle, Carrick-on-Shannon, Dromod, Longford, Edgeworthstown, Mullingar, Enfield and Kilcock.

Traveling to Maynooth:

Maynooth is served by two Dublin Bus routes, the 66 and the 67. Bus Eireann services also link to Maynooth, and range of bus operators organise daily and weekly coach services to the campus.



1,800

Approximately 1,800 parking spaces on campus with specially-designated car-pooling spaces



Sports Facilities

Sports halls, badminton, basketball, fencing, karate, raquetball, aerobics, circuit training and yoga.

- Fitness centre
- Fully equipped gym
- Natural turf playing fields for Gaelic football, hurling, soccer, camogie and rugby
- River Liffey canoeing and kayaking
- Floodlit all-weather playing pitch
- Golfing and horseriding on the Carton Estate



Occasional or Guest Accommodation:

Your programme may only run 2-3 days a week on campus. It may suit your needs to commute to campus weekly and stay in our affordable short stay on-campus guest accommodation.



Postgraduate students may avail of the guest accommodation on campus at a discounted rate.

Accommodation & Amenities

Approximately 1,200 students live on campus. The main campus accommodation is situated just a short walk from all lecture, sports and recreational facilities on the North campus. Postgraduates who are continuing to a second or subsequent year of studies may book campus rooms in the Quiet Zone (expressions of interest open online at the accommodation website from 7 February until 26 February online on the accommodation website.)

New Postgraduates or postgraduates in their first year of studies will be able to book rooms on campus on 10 August 2020 at 10:00am on a first come first served basis, once they have their academic offer. Booking will open online on the accommodations website. (www.maynoothuniversity.ie/accommodation)

Home Finder Service

There are many accommodation options available locally from self-catering in owner occupied homes to private rented apartments and houses. We also offer an online Listing Service which assists property owners and Maynooth students with initial contact: www.maynoothstudentpad.ie

Dining

In addition to the restaurants and eateries in Maynooth village, the campus dining options include:

- Urban Square- Food Co., North Campus
- Honest, Eat-Well-Now, North Campus
- Starbucks, JP II Library
- Students' Union Bar, North Campus
- Pugin Hall, St. Patrick's House
- Coco Diablo - Mexican Cantina



Course A–Z

Arts Celtic Studies & Philosophy

Ancient Classics

MA Ancient, Medieval and Renaissance Thought	MHV60
MA Ancient, Medieval and Renaissance Thought (PT)	MHV61
MA Classical Studies	MHF52
MA Classics	MHF50
MLitt (Research)	MHF04 (FT) MHF05 (PT)
PhD Classics	MHF02 (FT) MHF03 (PT)

Chinese Studies

MA Chinese Studies	MH70A
MLitt (Research)	MH05Q (PT)
PhD Chinese Studies	MH03Q (PT)

Early Irish (Sean-Ghaeilge)

MA Medieval Irish Studies	MHX52
MLitt (Research)	MHX04 (FT) MHX05 (PT)
PhD Medieval Irish	MHX02 (FT) MHX03 (PT)

English

MA Literatures of Engagement	MHK82
MA Literatures of Engagement (PT)	MHK83
HDip English	MHK70
HDip English (PT)	MHK71
MLitt (Research)	MHK04 (FT) MHK05 (PT)
PhD English	MHK02 (FT) MHK03 (PT)

French

MA French	MHM50
MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - French	MHM52

MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - French (PT)	MHM53
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HCert French Literature (PT)	MHM54
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PGDip French	MHM56
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MLitt (Research)	MHM04 (FT) MHM05 (PT)
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PhD French	MHM02 (FT) MHM03 (PT)
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German

MA German	MHO50
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MA German (PT)	MHO51
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MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - German	MHO52
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MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - German (PT)	MHO53
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HCert German Literature (PT)	MHO54
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PGDip German	MH056
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MLitt (Research)	MHO04 (FT) MHO05 (PT)
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PhD German	MHO02 (FT) MHO03 (PT)
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History

MA Irish History	MHP68
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MA Irish History (PT)	MHP69
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MA Military History & Strategic Studies	MHP58
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MA Military History & Strategic Studies (PT)	MHP59
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PGDip in History 1 year full-time	MHP72
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MLitt (Research)	MHP04 (FT) MHP05 (PT)
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PhD History	MHP02(FT) MHP03 (PT)
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Media Studies

MA Critical & Creative Media	MHS58
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MA Critical & Creative Media (PT)	MHS59
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MLitt (Research)	MHS04 (FT) MHS05 (PT)
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PhD Media	MHS02 (FT) MHS03 (PT)
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Music

MA Creative Music Technologies	MHT50
MA Creative Music Technologies (PT)	MHT51
MA Musicology	MHT52
MA Musicology (PT)	MHT53
MA Performance & Musicology	MHT54
MA Performance & Musicology (PT)	MHT55
MA Music Composition	MHT56
MA Music Composition (PT)	MHT57
MA Irish Traditional Music	MHT60
MA Irish Traditional Music (PT)	MHT61
MSc in Sound and Music Computing	MHT62 (FT) MHT63 (PT)
PGDip Music Technology	MHT58
PGDip Music Technology (PT)	MHT59
PGDip in Sound and Music Computing	MHT64 (FT) MHT65 (PT)
MLitt (Research)	MHT04 (FT) MHT05 (PT)
PhD Music	MHT02 (FT) MHT03 (PT)

Nua-Ghaeilge

MA Nua Ghaeilge	MHU50
MLitt (Research)	MHU04 (FT) MHU05 (PT)
PhD Nua Ghaeilge	MHU02 (FT) MHU03 (PT)

Philosophy

MA Philosophy	MHV50
MA Philosophy (PT)	MHV51
MA Philosophy of Religion	MHV54
MA Philosophy of Religion (PT)	MHV55
MA Ancient, Medieval & Renaissance Thought	MHV60
MA Ancient, Medieval & Renaissance Thought (PT)	MHV61

MA Modern & Contemporary Philosophy	MHV62
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MA Modern & Contemporary Philosophy (PT)	MHV63
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MA Philosophy, Politics & Economics	MHV64
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MA Philosophy, Politics & Economics (PT)	MHV65
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PGDip Philosophy	MHV56
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HDip Philosophy	MHV52
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MLitt (Research)	MHV04 (FT) MHV05 (PT)
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PhD Philosophy	MHV02 (FT) MHV03 (PT)
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School of Modern Languages

MA Applied Linguistics and Intercultural Studies	MH50P (FT)
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MLitt in Applied Linguistics	MH04P (FT) MH05P (PT)
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PhD Applied Linguistics	MH02P (FT) MH03P (PT)
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Spanish

MA Spanish & Latin America Studies	MHZ50
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MA Spanish Latin America Studies (PT)	MHZ51
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MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - Spanish	MHZ52
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MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - Spanish (PT)	MHZ53
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HCert Spanish & Latin American Literature	MHZ54
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PGDip Spanish	MHZ56
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MLitt (Research)	MHZ04 (FT) MHZ05 (PT)
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PhD Spanish	MHZ02 (FT) MHZ03 (PT)
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The Language Centre

Dioplóma Iarchéime san Aistriúchán agus san Eagarthóireacht (Ar Líne)	MH51C
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MA san Aistriúchán agus san Eagarthóireacht (Ar Líne)	MH53C
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Social Sciences

Adult & Community Education

MEd Adult Guidance Counselling	MHA51
M.Ed. Adult & Community Education	MHA92
PGDip Arts (Adult Guidance Counselling)	MHA55
HDip Further Education	MHA90
HDip Further Education (PT)	MHA91
MLitt (Research)	MHA04 (FT) MHA05 (PT)
PhD Adult & Community Education	MHA02 (FT) MHA03 (PT)

Anthropology

MA Anthropology	MHC60
MA Anthropology	MHC61 (PT)
MA Anthropology (Anthropology & Development)	MHC62
MA Anthropology (Anthropology & Development)	MHC63 (PT)
MA Anthropology (Linguistic Anthropology)	MHC66
MA Anthropology (Linguistic Anthropology)	MHC67
MA Cultural Differences & Transnational Processes (Creole)	MHC58
PG Cert Anthropology	MHC65
PG Cert Anthropology Development	MHC57
MLitt (Research)	MHC04 (FT) MHC05 (PT)
PhD Anthropology	MHC02 (FT) MHC03 (PT)

Applied Social Sciences

HDip Social Policy	MHB60
HDip Social Policy (PT)	MHB61
MSOCSC (Community and Youth Work)	MHB54
MSocSc (Community and Youth Work) (PT)	MHB55

MSocSc Social Science (Rights & Social Policy)	MHB56
MSocSc Social Science (Rights & Social Policy) (PT)	MHB57
MSocSc (Social Work)	MHB62 (FT)
MLitt (Research)	MHB04 (FT) MHB05 (PT)
Doctor of Social Science	MHB06
PhD Applied Social Science	MHB02 (FT) MHB03 (PT)

Business

MSc Business Management	MH52D
MSc Business Management (PT)	MH53D
MSc IT - Enabled Innovation	MH84D
MSc IT - Enabled Innovation (PT)	MH85D
MSc Strategy Innovation	MH54D
MSc Strategy Innovation (PT)	MH55D
MSc Marketing (conversion)	MH86D (FT) MH87D (PT)
MSc Strategic Marketing	MH88D (FT) MH89D (PT)
MSc International Business	MH90D (FT) MH91D (PT)
MSc Business Analytics	MH48D (FT) MH49D (PT)
MLitt (Research)	MH04D (FT) MH05D (PT)
PhD Business & Management	MH02D (FT) MH03D (PT)
PGDip Higher Education	MH51H

Design Innovation

MSc Design Innovation	MH50K
MSc Design Innovation (PT)	MH51K
PhD Design Innovation	MH02K

Education

PME (Secondary Teaching)	PEM01
Masters In Educational Leadership and Management MH45G	MH45G
Master of Education	MH52G

Master of Education (PT)	MH57G
MEd School Guidance Counselling (PT)	MH53G
PG Diploma In Educational Leadership and Management	MH40G
PGDip School Guidance Counselling 1 year part-time	MH93G
MLitt (Research)	MH04G (FT) MH05G (PT)
PhD Education	MH02G (FT) MH03G (PT)

Economics, Finance & Accounting

MA Accounting	MHH62
MA Accounting (Conversion)	MHH72
MSc Economics	MHH52
MSc Economics (Conversion)	MHH70
MSc Finance	MHH50
MSc Finance (Conversion)	MHH74
MSc Economic & Financial Risk Analysis	MHH64
MSc Economic & Financial Risk Analysis (Conversion)	MHH68
HDip Arts (Finance)	MHH58
HDip Economic Science	MHH60
HDip Professional Accounting	MHH66
MLitt Accounting	MHH08(FT) MHH09(PT)
MLitt Economics/Finance	MHH04 (FT) MHH05 (PT)
PhD Accounting	MHH06(FT) MHH07(PT)
PhD Economics/Finance	MHH02 (FT) MHH03 (PT)

Edward Kennedy Institute

MA International Peace Building, Security & Development Practice	MH54M
MA International Peace Building, Security & Development Practice (PT)	MH55M
MA Mediation & Conflict Intervention	MH50M
MA Mediation & Conflict Intervention (PT)	MH50M

PG Cert Mediation & Conflict Intervention (Family Support Agency)	MH63D
MA Mediation & Conflict Intervention (PT)	MH51M
PG Cert Mediation & Conflict Intervention (Peace Process Practices) (PT)	MH85M
PG Cert Restorative Practice (PT)	MH83M
PG Cert Organisational & Workplace Mediation (PT)	MH75M
PG Diploma in International Peacebuilding, Security and Development Practice	MH88M (FT)
Postgraduate Certificate in Mediation and Conflict Intervention	MH57D (PT)

Froebel

PME (Primary Teaching)	
Master of Education (Research in Practice)	MH52L
Research in Practice	MH54L
PGDip Inclusive and Special Education(PT)	MH51L

Geography

MA Geography: Spatial Justice	MHN66 (FT) MHN67 (PT)
MA Geography	MHN60
MA Geography (PT)	MHN61
MSc Climate Change	MHN56
MSc Geocomputation	MH50B
MSc Geographical Information Systems & Remote Sensing	MHN58
PG Dip in Geography	MHN64(FT) MHN65(PT)
PG Cert. in Geography	MHN62
MLitt (Research)	MHN04 (FT) MHN05 (PT)
PhD Geography	MHN02 (FT) MHN03 (PT)

International Development

MA International Development	MH50N
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Courses A-Z (continued)

MA International Development (PT)	MH51N
MA International Peace Building, Security & Development Practice	MH54M
MA International Peace Building, Security & Development Practice (PT)	MH55M
PGDip International Development	MH52N
PGDip International Development (PT)	MH53N

Law

LLM International Business Law	MH52J
LLM International Business Law (PT)	MH53J
PGDip International Business Law (PT)	MH75J
LLM Global Legal Studies	MH50J
LLM Global Legal Studies (PT)	MH51J
LLM International Business Law (PT)	MH53J
LLM International Business Law (Dual degree with UCLy)	MH68J
LLM International Justice (Conversion)	MH64J
LLM International Justice (PT) (Conversion)	MH65J
MA Comparative Criminology & Criminal Justice (Conversion)	MH66J
MA Comparative Criminology & Criminal Justice (PT) (Conversion)	MH67J
PGDip Comparative Criminology & Criminal Justice	MH70J
PGDip Comparative Criminology & Criminal Justice (PT)	MH69J
PGDip International Business Law	MH76J
PGDip International Business Law (PT)	MH75J
PGDip International Justice & Law	MH72J
PGDip International Justice & Law (PT)	MH71J
PGDip Global Legal Studies	MH74J
PGDip Global Legal Studies (PT)	MH73J
HDip Legal Studies	MH60J
MLitt (Research)	MH04J (FT) MH05J (PT)
PhD Law	MH02J (FT) MH03J (PT)

Sociology

MA Sociology (Internet and Society) 1 year full-time	MHY 56
PG Dip in Sociology (Societies In Transition)	MHY62
PG Dip in Sociology (Internet and Society) 1 year full-time	MHY60
MLitt (Research)	MHY04 (FT) MHY05 (PT)
PhD Sociology	MHY02 (FT) MHY03 (PT)

Science & Engineering

Biology

MSc Immunology & Global Health	MHD50
MSc Biology	MHD04 (FT) MHD05 (PT)
PhD Biology	MHD02 (FT) MHD03 (PT)

Chemistry

MSc Chemistry	MHE04 (FT) MHE05 (PT)
PhD Chemistry	MHE02 (FT) MHE03 (PT)

Computer Science

MSc Computer Science (Software Engineering)	MHG50
Erasmus Mundus Joint MSc in Advanced Software Systems Dependability	MHG72
MSc Geocomputation	MH50B
MSc Computer Science (Applied)	MHG68
HDip Science (Computer Science)	MHG58

HDip Science (Software Development)	MHG70
MSc Computer Science	MHG04 (FT) MHG05 (PT)
PhD Computer Science	MHG02 (FT) MHG03 (PT)

Electronic Engineering

MEng in Digital Health and Medical Technologies	3U02F
MEng Electronic Engineering (Embedded & Wireless Systems)	MHJ50
MEng Electronic Engineering (Research)	MHJ04 (FT) MHJ05 (PT)
PhD Electronic Engineering	MHJ02 (FT) MHJ03 (PT)

Experimental Physics

MSc Experimental Physics	MHL04
PhD Experimental Physics	MHL02

Mathematics & Statistics

MA Mathematics	MHR50
MA Mathematics (PT)	MHR51
MSc Mathematics	MHR52
MSc Mathematics (PT)	MHR53
MSc Data Science & Analytics	MHR64
HDip Mathematics	MHR54
HDip Mathematics (PT)	MHR55
HDip Mathematical Studies	MHR56
HDip Mathematical Studies (PT)	MHR57
HDip Statistics (PT)	MHR59
HDip Data Analytics	MHR66
MSc (Research)	MHR08 (FT) MHR09 (PT)
PhD Mathematics	MHR02 (FT) MHR03 (PT)
PhD Statistics	MHR10

National Centre for Geocomputation

MSc Geocomputation	MH50B
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MSc Geocomputation (Research)	MH04B (FT) MH05B (PT)
PhD Geocomputation	MH02B (FT) MH03B (PT)

Psychology

MSc Psychology	MHW54 (FT)
MSc Psychology (Research)	MHW04 (FT) MHW05 (PT)
PhD Psychology	MHW02 (FT) MHW03 (PT)

Theoretical Physics

MSc Mathematical Science	MHQ52
MSc Mathematical Science (PT)	MHQ53
HDip Mathematical Science	MHQ54
HDip Mathematical Science (PT)	MHQ55
MSc Theoretical Physics	MHQ06 (FT) MHQ07 (PT)
PhD Theoretical Physics	MHQ04 (FT) MHQ05 (PT)

Faculty of Arts, Celtic Studies & Philosophy

Ancient Classics

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Ancient Classics has been taught in Maynooth since the first foundation of a college in the town in 1795. Over 200 years later, the subject remains central to the study of Arts and Humanities.

Classics is the term given to the study of the civilizations of ancient Greece and Rome in all their aspects: language, literature, history, philosophy, art and archaeology. At Maynooth University, these topics may be studied through our hugely popular course on Greek and Roman Civilization or through the ancient languages of Latin and Ancient Greek.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/ancient-classics

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Classics

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Classics

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Ancient, Medieval and Renaissance Thought

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MA Classics

2 years full-time

MA Classical Studies

1 year full-time



Chinese Studies



Welcome to Chinese Studies at Maynooth University. The MA in Chinese Studies aims to provide students who already have a background in Chinese language and culture at undergraduate level with an opportunity to specialise in the area of cultural and literary analysis with particular emphasis on the conflict and communication within the Sinosphere (mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau) and between China and the West.

Chinese Studies follows the tradition of the University's School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures. The PhD in Chinese Studies offers research degree opportunities for students with specific interest in the fields of Chinese language, literature and culture. Our team of dynamic and enthusiastic staff are committed to high quality teaching using modern teaching methods.

PhDs & Research Master's

MLitt Chinese Studies

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

PhD Chinese Studies

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Chinese Studies

1 year full-time

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Helping students to acquire new skills and develop new interests

What distinguishes your department or programmes?

Chinese Studies at Maynooth University offers one of only two BA programmes in Chinese Studies available in Ireland. The MA in Chinese Studies aims to provide students who already have a background in Chinese language and culture at undergraduate level with an opportunity to specialize in the area of cultural and literary analysis with particular emphasis on the conflict and communication within the Sinosphere (mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau) and between China and the West.

Why pick Maynooth University for postgraduate studies?

Maynooth University values the importance of research, thus we offer small class sizes and one-to-one guidance. In Chinese Studies, students will work closely with their supervisors on their research topics and will achieve good performance both in their language proficiency as well as in their academic, analytical, creative, reflective and presentation skills.



What opportunities do you think are available after completing a postgrad within your discipline?

Students can continue to pursue their doctoral studies in relevant areas. They also can be translators or interpreters for international employers. They can work as a foreign consultant in fields like international business or politics that are related to Chinese markets.

Tell us about an interesting postgraduate research project that you are involved in?

One of our postgraduate students is conducting a research project on Belt and Road Initiative, which was proposed on building of the Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road. This initiative focuses on developing a bridge for connecting different countries and regions and aims to bring tangible benefits to local economic and social development.

Are there any postgraduate international collaboration opportunities available with your department? Are you working on any project with other universities?

Yes, Maynooth University has signed bilateral agreements with fourteen Chinese universities. Opportunities would be available to our postgraduate students to conduct research projects with researchers from these universities.



Dr Yinya Liu, Department of Chinese Studies

What makes a successful postgrad student?

For a successful postgraduate students majored in Chinese Studies, he or she would have better knowledge and understanding of important concepts of Chinese languages, literatures, cultures and societies, in particular with regard to mainland China. All of these would help this student to be ready for work or further research.

How do you support new postgrad students?

We will organize regular meetings and seminars for them to discuss and share ideas in order to have better mutual understanding on their research theme. All of these will guarantee that students would have enough space to develop their originality and their research.

Why are you positive for the future?

Knowing Chinese language, culture and society will help our students to acquire new skills and develop new interests that could be of considerable value to them in their future career and enable them to be more competitive in the global market.

Are there any exciting developments in the future that might affect your department, research, education or postgrads?

We are promoting our PhD programme for the prospective students from all over the world. All are welcome to consider our department for their doctoral studies.



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Open a book: Open Up Worlds

With a history dating back to the 19th century, Maynooth University Department of English is a supportive and dynamic learning environment and a centre of cutting-edge research in English, Irish, and global literatures. Comprising seventeen internationally-renowned scholars and teachers, each of whom are widely published and influential in shaping the field of English studies, the Department has a diverse range of research interests including:

- American Literature
- Creative Writing
- Eighteenth-Century Literature
- Film studies
- Gender studies
- Irish Literature
- Literary Theory
- Modernism
- Migrant Writing
- Postcolonial, Global Literatures, and Critical Race Studies
- Shakespeare and early modern studies
- Visual Culture

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/english

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD English

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time
The PhD in English presents an exciting opportunity to conduct original research under the supervision of an internationally established specialist in the field. Over four years, the doctoral journey is one of discovery and dedication, and a real chance to make a contribution to knowledge.

MLitt English

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time
The MLitt English provides an opportunity to pursue original research in any area of English studies under the supervision of a specialist and to develop research skills in literary studies.

Taught Master's

MA English: Literatures of Engagement

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time
The MA in English: Literatures of Engagement addresses the significant roles that literature and associated critical and creative frameworks have in both reproducing and analysing cultural values and ideologies, but also in articulating engaged responses and transformative resistance.

Higher Diplomas

Higher Diploma in English

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time.
The Higher Diploma in English programme designed for applicants who already hold a BA or comparable degree, and who wish to enhance their qualification with the addition of English.

French Studies

French has been taught at Maynooth since the establishment of the university in 1795.

With a number of masters and doctoral students studying here at any time, French has a high profile in higher education and attracts students from all over the country.

We have a strong tradition of teaching French language, literature and culture, with much content taught through medium of French. Lecturers are all research active and the research has a direct impact on teaching.

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD French

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt French

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA French

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - French

MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - French (PT)

Postgraduate Diplomas

PG Diploma in French

1 year full-time

Certificates

Higher Certificate in French Literature

1 year full-time or 2 years part-time

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German Studies

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Maynooth University is one of the main centres of research in German Studies in Ireland covering all periods of German literature and including many aspects of German culture and history.

The MA in German aims to provide students who already have a background in German at undergraduate level with an opportunity to specialise in the areas of translation, literary analysis and applied linguistics at a postgraduate level. The programme introduces students to academic research, new ideas and approaches.

The Postgraduate Diploma in German for Teaching at Post-Primary level is a highly innovative and the only programme of its kind in Ireland. It has been designed in consultation with the Teaching Council of Ireland and specifically tailored to meeting its requirements for registration as an accredited German teacher at post-primary level, covering the necessary areas of areas of German language skills; literary, cultural and film studies of the German-speaking world; and German linguistics and language pedagogy.

The German Department offers research opportunities relating to all German-speaking countries and, uniquely, relating to theoretical and applied linguistics as well as the theory and practice of Teaching German as a Foreign Language.



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD German

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt German

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA German

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Modern Languages,
Literature & Culture: Narratives
of Conflict - German
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MA Modern Languages,
Literature & Culture: Narratives
of Conflict - German (PT)

Postgraduate Diplomas

PG Diploma in German

1 year full-time

PG Diploma in German for Teaching at Post-Primary Level

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Certificates

Higher Certificate in German Literature

1 year full-time or 2 years part-time

History

The Department of History at Maynooth University is among Ireland's leading centres for the teaching and research of history.

Our dynamic academics are dedicated to providing high quality teaching and research supervision and are committed to ensuring that your experience at Maynooth University will be stimulating, rewarding and enjoyable.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/history



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD History

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt History

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Irish History

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MA Military History & Strategic Studies

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MA European History

1 year full-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

PGDip in History

1 year full-time

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Media Studies



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Students in the Department of Media Studies at Maynooth University gain experience in critical analysis and media practice, emerging as creative and informed graduates with the tools to engage in media research, communication roles, and production across the public sector, private industry, and civil society.

We offer an MA in Critical and Creative Media, as well as MLitt and PhD research degrees. Students are also able to undertake a PhD incorporating practice.

Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
media-studies](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/media-studies)

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Media Studies

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Media Studies

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Critical and Creative Media

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

Early Irish (Sean-Ghaeilge)

Welcome. The Department of Early Irish is a leading centre for the study of Medieval Irish and Celtic Studies, engaging in teaching and research in the history, culture, language and literature of medieval Ireland and related societies. We offer a vibrant and stimulating experience to Irish and international students.

Academics in the Department are recognised experts in subjects ranging from historical linguistics, religious literature and the history of medicine to archaeology, gender studies and medieval Irish legal texts.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/early-irish-sean-ghaeilge

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Medieval Irish

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Medieval Irish

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA in Medieval Irish Studies

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

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The Music Department at Maynooth University is a vibrant and flourishing centre for musicology, composition, music technology and performance. Our academics are dedicated to sharing their knowledge through teaching, research and outreach. We are home to a lively postgraduate community of PG Diploma, taught MA, and doctoral students.

The taught MA programmes harness the main areas of research specialism in the Department and are designed to equip students with advanced skills and knowledge. We have a strong record in doctoral success as a result of our approach to supervision and our infrastructure of research colloquia, study days and conferences.

Our student numbers create opportunities for lively debate and interaction through our various research seminars, conferences, instrumental and vocal ensembles and a range of other events. We offer our students the opportunity to immerse themselves in the discipline and to develop an informed and critical approach in which independent thinking, communication skills and creativity play a vital role.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/music



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Music

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt Music

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Creative Music Technologies (Conversion Course)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA in Composition

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Musicology

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Performance and Musicology

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Irish Traditional Music

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MSc in Sound and Music Computing

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

PGDip in Sound and Music Computing

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

PGDip in Music Technology

(Conversion Course)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Nua-Ghaeilge (Modern Irish)

Tá traidisiún Gaeilge i Má Nuad a théann i bhfad siar. Bunaíodh Ollúnacht le Gaeilge in 1804, go luath tar éis do Choláiste Phádraig teacht ar an bhfód. Dá bhrí sin tá an Ghaeilge á múineadh ar an gcampas le beagnach dhá chéad bliain. As Má Nuad do na Simple Lessons in Irish le hEoghan Ó Gramhnaigh, ceachtanna ceannródaíocha Gaeilge a raibh tábhacht faoi leith leo ag tús na hAthbheochana. Is as Má Nuad a cuireadh amach an chéad leagan Gaeilge den Bhíobla ina iomláine, i 1981. Bíonn comhdháil acadúil sa Roinn gach bliain – Léachtaí Cholm Cille – a bhfoilsítear a himeachtaí in aghaidh na bliana. Is as an Roinn seo, freisin, a fhoilsítear Irisleabhar Má Nuad atá ar cheann de na hirísí is ársa dá bhfuil sa Ghaeilge.

Is iomaí gné de léann na Gaeilge a ndéantar taighde uirthi sa Roinn, idir theanga agus litríocht, idir shean agus nua, chomh maith le réimsí léinn atá gaolmhar le Gaeilge na hÉireann. Orthu sin tá, mar shampla, an Teangeolaíocht, an Béaloideas, an Chritic, Gaeilge na hAlban. Pléitear leis an nGaeilge mar ábhar léinn agus mar chuid luachmhar d'oidhreacht chultúrtha bheo na hÉireann agus na hEorpa. Trí Ghaeilge a mhúintear gach cúrsa sa Roinn. Cuirtear fáilte roimh mhic léinn ar spéis leo an Ghaeilge féin agus na teangacha Ceilteacha agus atá ag iarraidh a gcuid eolais agus a gcuid scileanna intleachtúla a fhorbairt go cruinn.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/nua-ghaeilge-modern-irish

PhD agus Máistreacht taighde

PhD Nua-Ghaeilge

4 bliana go Lánaimseartha,
6 bliana go Páirtaimseartha

MLitt Nua-Ghaeilge

2 bhliain go Lánaimseartha,
3 bliana go Páirtaimseartha

Máistreacht mhúinte

MA Nua-Ghaeilge

Lánaimseartha (bliain amháin),
Páirtaimseartha (dhá bhliain)



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First and foremost, intellectual curiosity is key.

What distinguishes your department or programmes?

There are a number of ways in which MA in Applied Linguistics & Intercultural Studies at MU distinguishes itself from comparable programmes in Ireland, but two really stand out in my mind. First, if one looks at comparable MA programmes in Ireland and the UK, they tend to be quite strongly skewed in the direction of a small number of sub-disciplines in Applied Linguistics and focus almost entirely on English. This MA programme is the only programme of its kind, maintaining a dual focus on Applied Linguistics and Intercultural Studies and providing access to fundamental knowledge across varied sub-disciplines of Applied Linguistics.

Why pick Maynooth University for postgraduate studies?

First and foremost, there is a very strong rapport between students and staff which allows for very strong working relationships to form between academic staff and students. Having joined MU myself only 5 years ago, I have always thought that the university is genuinely a very welcoming place to new members of the campus community. New students and staff integrate quickly, creating an enjoyable social, and indeed teaching and learning environment for all involved. This really benefits postgraduate students.

What opportunities do you think are available after completing a postgrad within your discipline?

Given the highly interdisciplinary nature of Applied Linguistics and Intercultural Studies, and indeed the multilingual orientation of the MU programme, there are multiple avenues that students can pursue academically and professionally. Certainly, the disciplinary foci of the programme would benefit current and future language educators in both post-primary and higher education levels.

Careers in journalism and publishing would also naturally flow from the programme given the in-depth examination of the reciprocal bidirectionality of language and society. Increasingly, graduates from Applied Linguistics programmes are being recruited by public and private bodies for social research (e.g. the Higher Education Authority, the Economic and Social Research Institute, the education sector) and indeed within large multinational firms in the areas of content development and moderation.





Dr. Clive Earls, School of Modern Languages

Tell us about an interesting postgraduate research project that you are involved in?

One of my PhD students, who is currently completing a PhD in Applied Linguistics and Intercultural Studies, is doing a truly ground-breaking and potentially highly influential project investigating language-in-education policy. They are examining current practices surrounding the teaching of modern foreign languages at post-primary levels and how these can be reformed in order to align more effectively with the Common European Framework of Reference and indeed improve the teaching and learning of modern foreign languages and foster more positive, internationally recognised outcomes than the current system produces.

How do you support new postgrad students?

We have a number of initiatives in place to support our new postgraduate students in unison with the regular formative and summative feedback they receive through assignments. This all begins with a programme-specific orientation meeting for incoming students before the programme commences so that students get to know one another and the staff members who will be teaching them throughout the programme. We also have regular check-in sessions with students at different points of each semester to make sure that they are coping with the workload and are satisfied with the programme on the whole.



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The Philosophy Department of Maynooth University strives to cover the Western philosophical tradition as a whole, from its beginnings in ancient Greece, through the medieval and modern periods, right into the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. The department has a particular focus in medieval and Renaissance thought, on the one hand, and contemporary Continental philosophy, on the other.

Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
philosophy](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/philosophy)

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Philosophy

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt Philosophy

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Ancient, Medieval and Renaissance Thought

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Modern & Contemporary Philosophy

2 years part-time

MA Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Philosophy

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA Philosophy of Religion

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Higher/Postgraduate Diplomas

Higher Diploma in Philosophy

2 years part-time

PGDip in Philosophy

1 year full-time



School of Modern Languages

Applied Linguistics and Intercultural Studies is the latest development within the School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures. This pioneering part of the School is staffed by experts in the areas of Second Language Acquisition, Bi- and Multilingualism, Intercultural Studies, Language Pedagogy and Global English, providing both postgraduate teaching at Masters level and doctoral supervision.

The MA and PhD Programmes in Applied Linguistics and Intercultural Studies are unique in Europe by maintaining a dual focus on both disciplines and providing students with fundamental knowledge and skills in each area which they can apply to their independent research within the programmes and indeed beyond. While the programmes are delivered and focus on English, they still maintain a multilingual orientation by analysing other languages and cultures alongside English to create a truly multilingual and multicultural learning and research environment.



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Applied Linguistics
& Intercultural Studies

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Applied Linguistics
& Intercultural Studies

2 years full-time
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Applied Linguistics
& Intercultural Studies

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

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Spanish & Latin American Studies

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Welcome to Spanish and Latin American Studies in the School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures (SMLLC) at Maynooth University.

Spanish and Latin American Studies was established in 1999. We offer teaching by experts in the study of languages, literatures, cultures and linguistics, both at undergraduate and graduate levels.

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Spanish

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Spanish

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Spanish & Latin American Studies

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MA Modern Languages, Literature & Culture: Narratives of Conflict - Spanish

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

PG Diploma in Spanish

1 year full-time

Certificates

Higher Certificate in Spanish & Latin American Literature

1 year full-time
or 2 years part-time



Lárionad na Gaeilge: Taighde, Teagasc agus Tástáil/ Centre for Irish Language

Maynooth University's Centre for Irish Language provides quality language teaching and training in response to changing educational environments within the University, the community it serves and internationally.

We offer courses and qualifications in Irish to students, staff and members of the public along with a variety of services and courses for distance and autonomous learners. Our exceptional language learning and teaching facilities include:

- experienced staff with native command of the languages they teach;
- dedicated language classrooms;
- digital language laboratories;
- self-access language learning area with PCs and audio-visual resources
- An innovator in language teaching and learning, the Centre for Irish Language has won the European Language Label three times. Our flagship projects include VIFAX (an Irish language audiovisual learning resource based on weekly TG4 news bulletins), Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge (progressive system of proficiency exams and qualifications for Irish) and InfoLingua (research information for language educators and researchers).



Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
larionad-gaeilge-centre-irish-language](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/larionad-gaeilge-centre-irish-language)

Máistreacht trí Theagasc

MA san Aistriúchán agus san
Eagarthóireacht

Dioplóma larchéime

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Cúrsa páirtaimseartha
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Faculty of Social Sciences

Adult & Community Education

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The Department of Adult and Community Education is renowned for the high quality of our courses.

Adult education is the study of how we learn and develop as adults to collaborate in the creation of a just, equitable and sustainable society. Adults bring their personal and social experiences into education: emotionally, intellectually and physically. We transform lives and communities through adult and community education.

Every course we run, from certificates to doctoral workshops, is learner-centred. We create rich and supportive learning environments based on active participation and open discussion.

We are the leading centre for research on adult education in Ireland and have built an excellent international reputation for our work on further education, higher education, adult guidance, community development and transformative learning.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/adult-and-community-education



PhDs & Research Master's

[PhD Adult & Community Education](#)

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

[MLitt Adult & Community Education](#)

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

[MEd Adult and Community Education](#)

1 year full-time

[MEd Adult Guidance Counselling](#)

1 year part-time

Postgraduate/Higher Diplomas

[Higher Diploma in Further Education](#)

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time (next intake Sept 21)

[PGDip Arts \(Adult Guidance Counselling\)](#)

2 years part-time

Anthropology

Maynooth University houses the only Department of Anthropology in the Republic of Ireland.

Anthropologists study people and what they do, wherever in the world that may take us. We bring the world into the classroom and teach students to understand local problems in a global, cross-cultural context.

Careers in Anthropology

Anthropological insights are becoming increasingly important in a knowledge-based world economy, where an understanding of cultural difference is crucial in both local and international contexts. Advanced training in anthropology provides an advantage in preparing for a career in community work, education, the health professions, international aid and development or business and marketing.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/anthropology



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Anthropology

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Anthropology

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Anthropology

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

MA Anthropology & Development

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

MA Cultural Differences & Transnational Processes (CREOLE)

2 years full-time

MA Anthropology (Linguistic Anthropology)

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

Certificates

Postgraduate Certificate in Anthropology

1 year part-time

Postgraduate Certificate in Anthropology & Development

1 year part-time

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The Department of Applied Social Studies (DAPPSS) is the longest established provider of professional education and training in youth work and community work in the country. The Department has developed a reputation for excellence in Social Policy studies.

Our mission: "To promote human rights, social justice and equality, nationally and internationally, through excellence and innovation in education, research and public engagement that contribute to the development of the social professions and applied social sciences".

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PhD, Doctorate and Research Master's

Doctor of Social Science DSocSc

4 years full-time

PhD Applied Social Studies

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Applied Social Studies

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

Master of Social Science
(Community and Youth Work)

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Master of Social Science
(Rights and Social Policy)

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

Master of Social Science
(Social Work)

2 years full-time

Higher Diplomas

HDip Social Policy

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

School of Business

At the Maynooth University School of Business it is our aim to be at the forefront of delivering innovative, engaging programmes for future leaders in the fields of business and management. We undertake research and deliver teaching with the aim of making a difference, and innovation underpins everything we do.

Our academic team is expressly committed to making a difference, by helping students, managers and professionals understand how things can be done differently, and with greater impact. We invite you to browse the school's website and explore our degrees and research interests.

Our courses feature:

- Block teaching
- Industry engagement: Putting theory into action
- Developing advanced functional and managerial capabilities
- Building teamwork, communication, and analytical capabilities



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Business and Management

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MLitt Business and Management

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MSc Business Management

(Conversion Course)

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MSc IT Enabled Innovation

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MSc Strategy & Innovation

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MSc Marketing (Conversion Course)

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MSc Strategic Marketing

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MSc International Business

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

MSc Business Analytics

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

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Design Innovation: Passion, curiosity and dedication.

What distinguishes your department or programmes?

Our department prides itself on combining theory, strong user research and applied practice. Using this three pronged approach, we teach students from all industries and sectors how to apply Design Thinking to address issues within their own organisations and beyond, to create positive, progressive and impactful innovation.

Why pick Maynooth University for postgraduate studies?

Students learn how to research and deliver exceptional user experiences, under the guidance of expert academic and practitioner course leaders. As a result of our applied approach, students have worked with leading multinational companies such as Intel, Toyota, Musgraves, ESB and Dublin Airport, as well as SMEs such as Stira, Flair Showers and Andrew Ryan Kitchens. This gives them great practical learnings throughout the course that they can directly apply in their careers.



What opportunities do you think are available after completing a postgrad within your discipline?

The MSc dissertation allows students to focus their research on a topic or area that is relevant to them. This gives them the opportunity to apply it within their own organization to progress their careers internally, or in an area new to them for a career change. Design is applicable in all industries and sectors so it really opens all doors for them.

Tell us about an interesting postgraduate research project that you are involved in?

This year one of our recent graduates applied Design Thinking to her organisation's new product development process. Her changes helped establish an innovation culture within the company that gathered insights and new ideas from all staff and implemented them in a streamlined and impactful way. The company has seen great results because of this change of mindset in relation to the number, quality and success of the ideas generated.



Dr. Linzi Ryan, Design Innovation

What makes a successful postgrad student?

Passion, curiosity and dedication.

How do you support new postgrad students?

We have an open door policy in the MSc Design Innovation, with engaged and responsive staff. This is fostered through our teaching methods, which are primarily studio based, offering one-on-one guidance and mentoring from our staff.

Why are you positive for the future?

Design is progressively moving to the forefront of all sectors and industries. It is increasingly used in both the public and private sector to address a wide range of issues, from the small to large-scale societal issues. As a result, it is a very exciting time to be a designer. You work on a wide range of projects and problems, and through Design Thinking, you get results.

Design Innovation

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For the last 10 years the Maynooth Design Innovation Department has been leading the way in design education in Ireland. Our department prides itself on combining theory, strong user research and applied practice. The MSc in Design Innovation teaches students how to develop exceptional user experiences through innovative, insightful and impactful product and service solutions. As a result of our applied approach, students have worked with leading multinational companies such as Musgraves, Britvic/ Ballygowan, Mastercard, Intel, Toyota, ESB and Dublin Airport, as well as SMEs such as Stira, Flair Showers and Andrew Ryan Kitchens.

Our design led approach to innovation has been recognised on a national and international level with our MSc in Design Innovation winning the Postgraduate course of the year 2016, and our students winning a broad range of regional and international design competitions. The Design Innovation Department is also home to EDEN, the revolutionary initiative bringing Entrepreneurship, Creativity and Innovation to all students in the university.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/design-innovation

Taught Master's

MSc Design Innovation

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

PhD Research

PhD in Design Innovation

4 years Full time



Education



At the Department of Education in Maynooth University, we are concerned with the study of education and we are actively engaged in a broad range of educational research. Education is a vital public good and one of the most fundamental and important activities in any society. For individuals, quality education enables the development of intellectual, social and cultural potential which can transform lives.

Education allows us as a society to encounter our world through diverse perspectives, to understand the past, navigate the present, imagine the future and support the next generation to face the challenges that will emerge. It helps us to face the complexity of living in a pluralistic world and to reflect on the values that orient our lives as individuals and societies. In our department, we reflect on and interrogate the purposes, principles and values underpinning educational policy, practice and theory.

We think creatively about pedagogy, curriculum and educational life. Our courses support educational professionals and researchers to engage in critical conversations about education and to transform the field of education through their own research and engagement.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/education

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Education

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt Education

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

Master of Education

1 year full-time

2 years part-time (up to 8 years)

new flexible modular design

Masters In Educational Leadership and Management

MED School Guidance Counselling

1 year part-time

Professional Master of Education (Secondary)

2 years full-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

PGDip School Guidance Counselling

1 year part-time PGDip School Guidance Counselling

1 year part-time

PGDip in Educational Leadership and Management

1 year

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The Department of Economics, Finance and Accounting offers a vibrant environment for learning and research. Courses offered by the department are among the most popular in Maynooth University and the department is ranked among the leading research departments in Europe. Research and Teaching is conducted within three disciplines:

- Economics
- Finance
- Accounting

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/economics-finance-and-accounting

PhDs & Research Master's

[MLitt Economics/Finance](#)

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

[PhD Economics/Finance](#)

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

[MLitt Accounting](#)

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

[PhD Accounting](#)

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

Taught Master's

[MA Accounting](#)

1 year full-time

[MA Accounting](#)

[\(Conversion course year 1\)](#)

2 years full-time

[MSc Economics](#)

1 year full-time

[MSc Economics](#)

[\(Conversion course year 1\)](#)

2 years full-time

[MSc Economic and Financial Risk Analysis](#)

1 year full-time

[MSc Economic and Financial Risk Analysis \(Conversion course year 1\)](#)

2 years full-time

[MSc Finance](#)

1 year full-time

[MSc Finance](#)

[\(Conversion course year 1\)](#)

2 years full-time

Higher Diplomas

[HDip Professional Accounting](#)

1 year full-time

[HDip \(Arts\) Finance](#)

1 year full-time

[HDip Economic Science](#)

1 year full-time

Edward Kennedy Institute

The overall aim of the Institute, through teaching theory and practice, research and community engagement, is to improve society's capacity to deal constructively with conflict.

Established in 2011, the Institute honours the late Senator Edward M Kennedy for his lifelong commitment to justice, equality, human rights, education for all and environmental protection and in particular for his contribution to the Northern Ireland peace process.

The Institute also honours what one could argue is his most remarkable achievement of all – his ability to articulate a future where the causes of conflict, however ingrained, can be transcended; a future where society, economics, education and politics are organised in ways that support individuals, groups, communities and nations to work together for the benefit of all.

While the Institute is based at Maynooth University, it has a high level of engagement with the wider community including key practitioners and organisations active in the practice of conflict intervention.



Taught Master's

MA International Peace Building, Security & Development Practice
1 year full-time

MA International Peace Building, Security & Development Practice
2 years part-time

MA Mediation & Conflict Intervention
1 year full-time

MA Mediation & Conflict Intervention (PT) 1 years full-time,
2 years part-time

Postgraduate Diplomas/Certs

PG Cert Mediation & Conflict Intervention (Family Support Agency)
Part-time

PG Cert Mediation & Conflict Intervention (Peace Process Practices)
part-time

PG Cert Restorative Practice
part-time

PG Cert Organisational & Workplace Mediation
part-time

PG Diploma in International Peacebuilding, Security and Development Practice
full-time

PG Certificate in Mediation and Conflict Intervention
part-time

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Froebel: Primary and Early Childhood Education

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Welcome to the Froebel Department of Primary and Early Childhood Education, known for the provision of a distinctive student-centred learning experience for undergraduate and postgraduate students. The Department is named after the 19th century German educator and founder of Kindergarten, Friedrich Froebel (1782-1852). He advocated reverence for the child, learning through activity, exploration of the environment, enjoyment of beauty in all its manifestations and acceptance of the gifts of each individual.

For many students, the transition to third level education can be a challenging one; however our small group teaching model combined with ease of access to staff and student-support services ensures that every student has the best possible chance of success. We are renowned for the providing a holistic experience for students and it is for this reason that we have high levels of retention and progression.

We are located in a customized building situated at the epicenter of the University campus.



Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
froebel-department-primary-
and-early-childhood-education](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/froebel-department-primary-and-early-childhood-education)

Taught Master's

Professional Master
of Education (Primary)
2 years full-time

Master of Education
(Research in Practice)
1 years full-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

Postgraduate Diploma in Inclusive
and Special Education.
1 year part-time

Geography

Geography is the study of the Earth as our home. We explore environment (e.g. how much climate change are we causing and how quickly?), place (e.g. what sorts of attachments to home do people form and what happens when these are disrupted by migration?), and space (e.g. how is Ireland and its regions affected by economic globalisation?). Our students are taught by international experts in all these fields.

The MSc Climate Change is winner of the GradIreland Best Postgraduate Course in Science 2020

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/geography

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Geography

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt Geography

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Geography

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MSc Climate Change

1 year full-time

MSc Geographical Information Systems & Remote Sensing

1 year full-time

MA Geography: Spatial Justice

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

MSc Geocomputation

1 year full-time

Postgraduate Diplomas/Certificates

PG Diploma in Geography

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

PG Cert. in Geography

1 year full-time

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With over 40 years of experience, through the Kimmage Development Studies Centre, our work at the Department of International Development is underpinned by a commitment to inclusivity, diversity, equality and justice. Focusing on local and global development issues, we support skills development and critical engagement at personal, local, national and international levels.

Our courses reflect a combination of formal and non-formal educational methodologies. We facilitate learners to understand the causes of poverty, inequality and injustice around the world, while supporting them to question understandings and responses to the international development challenges we all face. Our MA in International Development offers flexible learning options to study part-time, full-time, or remotely, online.

Studying international development prepares people for careers in local and national government, transnational organisations, non-government organisations and activist groups.

Our graduates work in community development, global education, development policy, project management, in humanitarian and conflict contexts, and on issues such as human rights, gender, climate action, justice, migration and empowerment.



Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
international-development](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international-development)

Taught Master's

[MA International Development](#)

13 Months full-time,
2-4 years part-time

[MA International Peace Building,
Security & Development Practice](#)
1 year full-time

[MA International Peace Building,
Security & Development Practice](#)
2 years part-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

[PGDip International Development](#)

9 Months full-time,
2-4 years part-time

Law

In the Maynooth University Department of Law, we aim to provide students with a world-class legal education, which is grounded in an appreciation of global social, economic, and cultural contexts and challenges. We will equip students with all of the core attributes required of the legal graduate, developing your problem-solving, advocacy, and legal writing skills. However, your studies here will take you far beyond the traditional legal curriculum. We will offer you critical insights from a range of other disciplines, including politics, psychology, economics, and sociology. You will also be exposed to the operation of the law in practice, through engagement with legal firms, public and private sector organisations, and community and voluntary groups. In short, we will ensure you gain an appreciation of the role of the law in everyday social, economic, and cultural life.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/law



PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Law

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt Law

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

LLM (Global Legal Studies)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

LLM (International Business Law)

1 year full-time (Track A – Dual degree split between MU and Catholic University of Lyon),

1 year full-time (Track B – MU based),

2 year part-time (Track B – MU based)

LLM (International Justice)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

MA in Comparative Criminology and Criminal Justice

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Postgraduate/Higher Diplomas

PGDip (Global Legal Studies)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

PGDip (International Business Law)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

PGDip (International Justice)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

PGDip in Comparative Criminology and Criminal Justice

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Higher Diploma in Legal Studies

1 year full-time

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Maynooth is a real intellectual hotbed of international research.

What distinguishes your department or programmes?

Sociology at Maynooth is a leading Irish and international centre of research, teaching and public engagement around the crucial social and political questions and issues of the day. We are inspired by our uniquely diverse student body and driven by our ongoing involvement in public discussions around the critical societal, political, cultural and economic transformations around us. We bring to this a distinctive contribution - nuanced, careful research that is deeply shaped and informed by the leading sociological and social science theories.

Why pick Maynooth University for postgraduate studies?

Maynooth is real intellectual hotbed of international research. We have high profile academics in almost all disciplines and studying all parts of the world. It is big enough that we are successful at getting prestigious research funding, but small enough not to lose that 'Maynooth' touch of personal and pastoral care for staff and students alike.

Maynooth has a very international staff and student population, nestled in a safe midsized university town. We balance easy access to Dublin international airport and Dublin city centre a cosmopolitan and modern city with a real 'buzz' of a young, creative and diverse population with the picturesque tree lined streets of a traditional Irish village/town and with easy to access the beautiful landscape of the west of Ireland.

What opportunities do you think are available after completing a postgrad within your discipline?

Many of our PhD students have gone on to do a diverse range of things. Some, of course, become academics and we have successfully placed students in full time permanent academic university employment in the UK, Ireland and the USA. We can prepare students for this path if they desire. But we also have many other students who do PhDs with us and go on to work successfully in government, city and civil/public service departments, research institutes, other parts of the university, and some work for insurance companies or in business.

Tell us about an interesting postgraduate research project that you are involved in?

My most recent PhD student was working on a great thesis on how children in Ireland understand citizenship in an era of evolving forms of active citizenship – even for kids! I am also always seeking PhD students in my own areas of research of Asia/Asian American popular culture, beauty and critical mixed-race studies.





Are there any postgraduate international collaboration opportunities available with your department? Are you working on any project with other universities?

Yes, there are many, many collaborations in our department in Latin America, the Balkans, Northern Ireland, the USA, Africa and my own work in East Asia. I am currently working on a project with Professor Shin Dong Kim of Hallym University in South Korea on how the Korean popular television industry is exporting to the west and why western viewers are so interested in Korean TV and dramas (as well as popular music). Ultimately, we are trying to figure out how east and west are moving closer together through social media and popular culture.

What makes a successful postgrad student?

The best students come in highly motivated with a good project already in mind. We work extensively with students before they apply for the PhD to improve their applications and project proposals. We love to get interested and motivated students who want to pursue their own research under the careful guidance of our talented staff.

How do you support new postgrad students?

We have extensive orientation and cohort building activities. We provide office space, computing space, and other small travel and research supports. We also help prospective students to write grants to get funding for their PhD studies both internally (Teaching and John Hume Fellowships) and externally from EU grants and the Irish Research Council. We have a high rate of success in both internal and external funding sources. We were also the first department at Maynooth University and in Ireland, to have a structured PhD programme with modules that support PhD learning and research from day one. We also have a clear dual supervisor system so students are never left unsupported (even if a supervisor goes on sabbatical) and we have a fair annual review system so that students can give feedback each year if they need support.

Why are you positive for the future?

In my field, the connections between Asia and West grow stronger and more interdependent every day, and sadly my studies of social inequality, particularly on racism and gender discrimination, are needed now more than ever.

Are there any exciting developments in the future that might affect your department, research, education or postgrads?

We would like to see more consistent funding for PhD students in all fields. As the future becomes more complex with issues like climate change, we need all the best minds working together to better understand the social impact of these issues.



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The Sociology Department is widely acknowledged as a leading centre of teaching and research excellence as well as an exemplar of public sociology and engagement. We are home to a diverse group of scholars of sociology and political analysis, who are recognised nationally and internationally as leading figures in their fields and who are all actively involved in teaching and research.

Maynooth University is a distinctive and stimulating place to learn and to practice the craft of sociology and political analysis. We offer clearly structured and engaging programmes, with strong support for learning your subject areas, a variety of research methods, and the craft of research and writing.

All our Masters programmes include an exceptionally strong suit of modules in advanced research methods and a workshop to support student thesis development and writing and to complement direct staff supervision.

Our experienced, internationally recognised supervisors, supported by a suite of modules and a lively postgraduate community, have an excellent record of guiding research students to completion of theses of international standard. Please contact eoin.flaherty@mu.ie or any of our staff to learn more. Come and join us at Maynooth Sociology, a leading international centre of sociological research and political analysis with a vibrant postgraduate community.

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Sociology

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

MLitt Sociology

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MA Sociology (Internet and Society)

1 year full-time

Postgraduate Diplomas

PG DIP in Sociology

(Internet and Society)

1 year full-time



MSc Marketing & MSc Strategic Marketing

The **MSc Marketing** is for the non-business graduate who is interested in how individuals and organisations (including governments) interact in the marketplace for goods and services. Marketing plays a key role in value creation for not only customers and businesses but also for society. Effective marketing requires an understanding of the business as a whole and of the managerial value creation and capture process.

Recent market reports have demonstrated that consumers are becoming more discerning and also have more information at their fingertips about products and services. For organisations to compete in this increasingly internationalised and competitive market, they need to have a strong marketing function. This function considers issues such as communications with customers and the behaviours of prospective and current customers. How organizations operate in a digital environment is an integral part of Marketing and as such it is a key feature of the programme integrated throughout the offering.

The **MSc Strategic Marketing** is focussed on developing high level knowledge and skills in marketing. Marketing is more than just an organisational function. It is a customer-centric, enterprise-wide set of processes, systems, and activities that connect firms and customers in a dynamic global marketplace.



This global market place is interconnected and one of the underlying themes in this programme is that of relationships. While marketing is partially transactional, deep long lasting relationships are a feature of marketing practice. This programme is underpinning by relationship concepts through consideration of issues such as sales management in an international environment, increasingly important in a post-Brexit Europe, and the value of analytics to help organisations understand the big data environment that firms operate within.

There are significant opportunities to enhance your employability: a live case study with a company, a focus on international selling (a key national objective evidenced by recent Enterprise Ireland reports), and a concentration on analytical skills. These specific experiences are enhanced by a core module that emphasises your personal career journey. The Work Placement or Business Research Project capstone elements are particularly valuable to employers as they demonstrate your ability to apply your learning in the world of work.

For more information on the MSc Marketing and MSc in Strategic Marketing, please contact business@mu.ie or the Programme Director Professor Joseph Coughlan, at joseph.coughlan@mu.ie, or visit: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/

Faculty of Science & Engineering

Biology



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Biology is the study of life - everything from the tiniest microbe to entire ecosystems that spread across the planet. And understanding more about life will help us to tackle major societal challenges, including human and animal health, food security and effects of climate change.

Since its inception in 1970, the Department of Biology at Maynooth University has expanded steadily in terms of numbers of undergraduates, postgraduates, post-doctoral workers and academic and support staff and in the range of courses offered.

The research activities of the department have increased significantly in scope and the department has established international reputations in areas of Biological Control, Bioinformatics, Immunology, Medical Mycology, Molecular Genetics and Plant Biotechnology.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/biology

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Biology

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MSc Biology

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Masters

MSc Immunology and Global Health

1 year full-time

Chemistry

Welcome to the Maynooth University
Department of Chemistry

The Department of Chemistry at Maynooth University is a research-led and student focused department, with research and teaching expertise in Organic, Inorganic, Physical, Analytical and Computational Chemistry. Our researchers are addressing important and complex problems at the interface of chemistry with biology, material science, biotechnology and nanoscience and this is reflected in the range modules that we offer in our degree programmes. The department has a welcoming and collaborative atmosphere where students can study postgraduate research degrees at M.Sc and Ph.D. level.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/chemistry

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Chemistry

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MSc Chemistry

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

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Welcome to Computer Science at Maynooth University. The Department provides a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate degree courses in Computer Science, Software Engineering, Multimedia and Mobile Systems along with an extensive research programme leading to M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees in many exciting areas. Computers have become a part of everybody's daily life, and in the Department of Computer Science we teach how computer systems work, with a particular focus on software, and we research into how computer systems will develop into the future. Our courses cover a wide spectrum of topics from software to computer hardware, from internal details of operating systems to computer applications, and from software engineering practice to computational theory. Our approach is to instill a thorough understanding of fundamental principles, while developing analytical abilities and practical skills. We provide excellent facilities for practical work, with most of our modules including a mix of lectures and lab work. Many of our students also spend time working in industry as part of their course. We endeavour to provide a supportive and enjoyable atmosphere for learning - we provide a programming helpdesk, extensive assistance during practical work - and we are always available outside of lectures to help our students. Please explore our website to find out more about our courses, our research, and our staff.

PhDs & Research Master's

[PhD Computer Science](#)

4 years full-time, 6 years part-time

[MSc Computer Science](#)

2 years full-time, 3 years part-time

Taught Master's

[MSc Computer Science \(Software Engineering\)](#) 1 year full-time

[MSc Computer Science \(Applied\)](#)

2 years full-time (1 year full-time taught modules, 6 months taught modules and dissertation, 6 month work placement)

[Erasmus Mundus Joint MSc in Advanced Systems Dependability](#)

2 years full-time

[MSc Geocomputation](#)

1 year full-time

Higher Diplomas

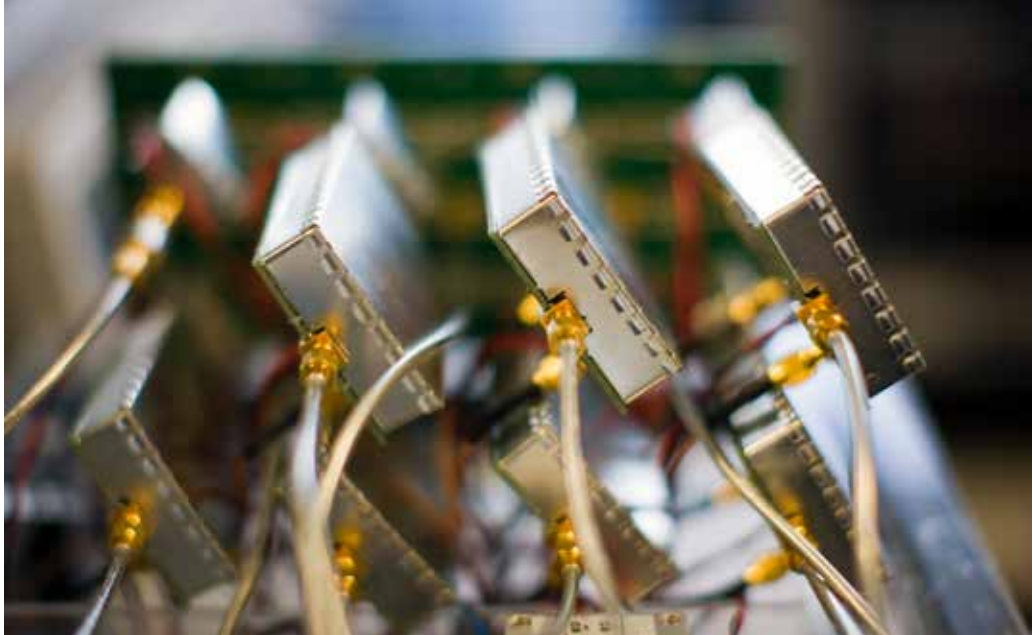
[Higher Diploma in Science \(Computer Science\)](#) 1 year full-time

[Higher Diploma in Science \(Software Development\) \(Conversion Course\)](#)

1 year full-time



Electronic Engineering



Graduates from the Department of Electronic Engineering go on to a wide variety of ICT careers. The Internet, electronic commerce, advanced medical diagnostic, treatment systems, and transport are all examples of modern human activities dependent on information. Even entertainment ,music and films depend on electronic manipulation of audio-visual information. So who makes all this possible? Engineers do.

Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
electronic-engineering](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/electronic-engineering)

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Electronic Engineering

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MSc Electronic Engineering

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MEng Electronic Engineering

(Embedded & Wireless Systems)

1 year full-time

MEng in Digital Health and Medical Technologies

1 year full-time

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Maynooth has a long tradition of excellence in Experimental Physics. The inventor of the induction coil, Nicholas Callan, was Professor of Experimental Physics from 1826 to 1864. Callan's work has been recognised by the Institute of Physics and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering. Staff of the Experimental Physics Department are involved in a number of research areas, and are playing a key role in two European Space Agency satellite missions - the Herschel Space Observatory and the Planck Surveyor.

We participate in many outreach activities, including Science Week and Open Days.

Website

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/
experimental-physics](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/experimental-physics)

PhDs & Research Master's

[PhD Experimental Physics](#)

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

[MSc Experimental Physics](#)

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time



Mathematics & Statistics



The Department offers a variety of postgraduate degrees in Mathematics (Pure & Applied), Statistics and Data Science. We successfully prepare students for a fast-growing job market that constantly requires graduates with analytical and computational skills.

The Department has research groups in Algebraic Number Theory, Geometric Analysis, Maths Education and Statistics with members of the Department regularly publishing in leading international journals.

We offer PhD degrees funded by the CRTs in Data Science and Advanced Networks. We have close links with the Maynooth University Hamilton Institute and the National Centre for Geocomputation.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/mathematics-and-statistics

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Mathematics

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

PhD Statistics

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MSc Mathematics

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MSc Data Science & Analytics

1 year full-time

MA Mathematics

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

MSc Mathematics (Science)

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

Higher Diplomas

Higher Diploma in Data Analytics

1 year full-time

Higher Diploma in Mathematical Studies

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Higher Diploma in Mathematics

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Higher Diploma in Statistics

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

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International collaborations in many academic fields with opportunities for postgraduate students to participate in these networks.

Why pick Maynooth University for postgraduate studies?

Our Department makes an internationally distinctive and vibrant contribution to research and practice through four intersecting themes:

- **Rehabilitation, Disability & Health Psychology** – researching the well-being of individuals and communities, and their service provision, in terms of impairments/disability, assistive technologies, coping and empowerment
- **Mental Health, Community & Positive Psychology** – focusing on the psychology of mental health and well-being of individuals, families and communities, as well as service provision and evaluation, with emphasis on vulnerability, marginalisation, resilience, and personal growth.
- **Neuroscience, Behaviour & Cognition** – employing experimental methods to understand and address fundamental challenges in intelligence, thought processes, neuronal functioning and human and animal behaviour.
- **Organisations, Systems and Policy** – researching complex systems problems, of inter-relatedness and change; working with a broad range of businesses, service providers and international agencies.

Importantly, most of our staff are active across more than one of these areas. This is something we deliberately cultivate, allowing for insights and initiatives to flourish. As a university, Maynooth embraces an ethos of Engaged Research; this is a critical feature of the research in the Department of Psychology. Our aim is to ensure that our research students gain training and experience in conducting high-quality research in an environment characterised by a warm, welcoming atmosphere.



What opportunities do you think are available after completing a postgrad within your discipline?

Our students develop a wide range of skills and approaches, from critical-thinking to an understanding of human behaviour, and a grounding in research design, that can be used beyond the research programme in marketing themselves in future careers.

Why are you positive for the future? Are there any exciting developments in the future that might affect your department, research, education or postgrads?

We are looking forward to further building our postgraduate cohort and to supporting our students to achieve their academic and professional goals.



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The National Centre for Geocomputation (NCG) has become firmly established as a leading centre for research in the field of Geocomputation, applying computational methods to large spatial data sets from acquisition to analysis, modelling and visualisation. As a leading research centre, the NCG is committed to:

- Extending the understanding and utilisation of spatial data from postgraduate programmes to national and international research project engagement
- Applying existing geotechnologies to specific problems for enhanced decision making
- Developing new innovative technologies and applications for real-time response to real world challenges.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/ncg

Taught Master's

[MSc Geocomputation](#)

1 year full-time

PhD & Research Master's

[MSc Geocomputation
\(Research\)](#)

2 years full-time,

3 years part-time

[PhD Geocomputation](#)

4 years full-time,

6 years part-time



Psychology

The Department of Psychology at Maynooth University offers a taught MSc degree designed to provide a pre-professional qualification equivalent to a bachelor degree in psychology. This is an intensive conversion course offered on a full-time basis over one year (90 credits), designed for students with prior learning in psychology. MSc students attend lectures, tutorials, laboratory and practical classes, and seminars, and conduct an independent research project.

Many opportunities are also available for students to engage in structured postgraduate research degrees (MSc or PhD) within the research themes of the department:

- Rehabilitation, Disability & Health Psychology
- Mental Health, Community & Positive Psychology
- Neuroscience, Behaviour & Cognition
- Organisations, Systems and Policy
- The Department of Psychology has a thriving postgraduate research community who benefit from a warm and welcoming atmosphere, high-quality supervision, and integrated taught support.



Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/psychology

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD Psychology

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MSc Psychology

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MSc Psychology

1 year full-time

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The Department of Theoretical Physics offers an open environment for research and life long learning topics in theoretical physics as well as applications of mathematical methods to a range of cross disciplinary topics.

With a strong background in both research and teaching, the Theoretical Physics Department welcomes prospective students with an interest in theoretical physics and mathematical modeling to drop in to discuss research as well as the many undergraduate and postgraduate opportunities that are available in the department.

Website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/theoretical-physics

PhDs & Research Master's

PhD in Theoretical Physics

4 years full-time,
6 years part-time

MSc in Theoretical Physics

2 years full-time,
3 years part-time

Taught Master's

MSc Mathematical Science

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

Higher Diplomas

Higher Diploma in Mathematical Science

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time

$$e_M^A = \frac{\kappa}{2} \eta^1 \psi_M, \quad \partial \phi = -\frac{1}{3} \phi \eta \lambda$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \phi^{3/2} (\bar{\eta} \Gamma_M \psi_N - \bar{\eta} \Gamma_N \psi_M - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\eta} \Gamma_{MN} \lambda$$

$$- \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{8\kappa} \phi^{-1} (\Gamma \partial \phi) \eta + \frac{1}{8} \phi^{-3/4} \Gamma^{MNP} \eta H_{MNP}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\kappa} D_M \eta + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8} \phi^{-3/4} (F_M^{NPQ} - 9 \delta_M^N \Gamma^{PQ}) \eta$$

$$L_{SG} = \partial_M J^M$$

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/postgraduate) postgraduate



Important Dates:

25 April 2020,

27 June 2020

10 March 2020

Postgraduate Open Day (4-8pm)

Maynooth University, Library

If you would like to visit Maynooth University but are unable to attend one of our Open Days, we will arrange for you to meet a Department to discuss postgraduate studies.

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