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UCD DUBLIN

Ireland's **Global** University

Welcome to UCD
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University College Dublin has a fantastic reputation, justified by its position as number one in Ireland across so many university facets.

As an **internationally recognised and research-intensive university,** UCD attracts talented students from around the world.

There are currently **7,500 students enrolled** in graduate study at UCD.

UCD is Ireland's **leader in graduate education** with 25% of all postgraduate students in Ireland studying at UCD.

UCD is Ireland's most popular University for International students with more than **6,000 international students** from over 120 countries.

UCD is the only Irish university with a **dedicated international student centre.** The UCD Global Lounge is a relaxed space for international and Irish students to meet and hang out during their time at UCD.

Architecture, Planning and Environmental Policy Graduate Taught Programmes

The school's graduate programmes offer a uniquely rich and varied range of approaches to the design and development of our built and natural environment, from policy formulation to the detailed design. Our programmes will prepare you for professional careers, will help you build specialised knowledge and skills, and will equip you to deal with complex challenges in a changing, globalised world. In our programmes, the depth of specialised knowledge combines with the breadth of interdisciplinary exploration to produce new ways of understanding and creatively shaping the world.

Members of our academic staff have achieved international renown for their creative work, their research and for their professional achievements. Our programmes are recognised and accredited internationally, and our graduates are held in high esteem around the world. Our school has extensive international networks and a diverse staff and student cohort. At the same time there is a strong sense of community. Our Richview campus allows students from all over the world to feel at home, even as they extend the horizons of their knowledge and their capacities.

Hugh Campbell, Head of School
UCD School of Architecture, Planning and Environmental Policy

Why choose the UCD School of Architecture, Planning and Environmental Policy?

The school of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy graduate taught programmes cover all aspects of the practice of architecture and landscape architecture, as well as advanced areas of conservation, sustainability, history, urbanism, planning and environmental policy.

Only Architecture degree in Ireland to be accredited by the professional institutes of both Ireland (RIAI) and the United Kingdom (RIB)

The School of Architecture, Planning and Environmental Policy is also pursuing accreditation with the professional institute in the USA (NAAB)

2 UCD Academics are the 2015 recipients of the Royal Gold Medal (the world's most prestigious architecture award)

ILI Accredited

Exposed to the instruction from world renowned practices including Grafton Architects and O'Donnell + Tuomey Architects

Unique facilities in the Richview / Newstead buildings at Belfield

Home to Ireland's best Architecture and Planning Library

Dedicated design studios, workshop, building laboratory, computer labs and exhibition space
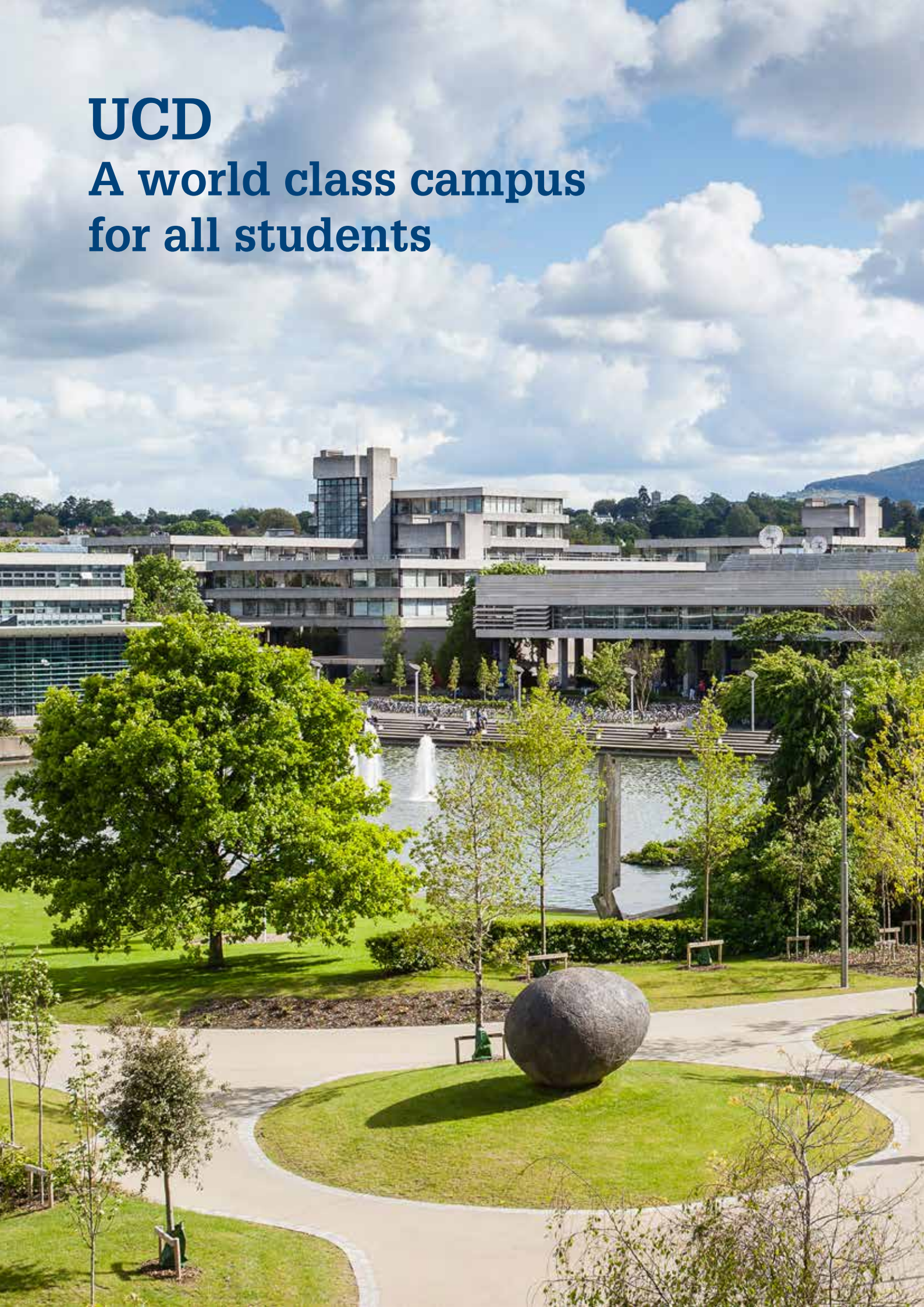
International study opportunities

Member of the Association of European Schools of Planning

Leading Research Centre in Spatial Planning and Environmental Policy

UCD
A world class campus
for all students

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Master of Architecture
(Two Years Full Time)

In 2011, the UCD School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy celebrated its centenary. The School has long led the way in architectural study and practice in Ireland. Its undergraduate, graduate and research programmes cover all aspects of the practice of architecture and landscape architecture, as well as advanced areas of conservation, sustainability, urbanism and history & theory. The MArch programme equips students to deal with complex design problems in challenging context.

Through studio projects, academic writing and practical experiments it develops professional capacities while placing equal emphasis on research and critical enquiry. Its faculty includes many leading figures in architectural practice as well as internationally-recognised researchers. The programme equips graduates to work in the field of Architecture anywhere across the world in architectural practice and in other forms of creative practice as well as in the areas of policy, consultancy and academia.

Double accredited masters by the RIAI and the RIBA

MArch (Hons) is the only programme that is accredited by the professional institute in Ireland (RIAI), and by the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and is pursuing Substantial Equivalency status with the National Architectural Accrediting Board in the USA.

Why study at UCD?

Tradition
Established 1854, with 160 years of teaching & research excellence

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

Course Content and Structure

120 credits taught masters	40 credits taught modules	45 credits architectural design	25 credits design thesis	10 credits dissertation

Core modules include:

- Comprehensive Design Studio
- Architectural Design VII
- Architectural Design VIII
- Masters Design Option
- Design Technologies I
- Design Technologies I
- Research and Innovation in the Designed Environment – I
- Research and Innovation in the Designed Environment – II

- Professional Studies – II
- MArch Architectural Dissertation
- Making is Thinking – Thesis Preparation
- MArch Design Thesis Seminar
- Reflective Portfolio Module

Options:

- Two Masters level option modules in year one

In Year One, students will have the opportunity to spend a semester studying in one of our partner Architectural schools in Europe, Asia, America or Australia.

Career Opportunities

The MArch qualification is RIAI (and European Union) and RIBA accredited and will equip graduates to work in architecture anywhere across the world, whether in major global centres or in particular regional contexts. The School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy is also pursuing accreditation with the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) in the USA.

Graduates are involved in architectural practice and in other forms of professional creative practice, as well as in areas of policy and consultancy. Many graduates also go on to further postgraduate study, in UCD and elsewhere. Past students in the course's connected programmes have gone on to become international or national experts in their selected fields.

Facilities and Resources

The School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy offers dedicated studio space for its students, a dedicated architecture library and map room, access to fully equipped computer facilities, a building laboratory space with a wide range of equipment including laser cutters and CNC router, and access to monitoring and simulation equipment in the Earth Institute.

Apply Now

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Entry Requirements

- Portfolio Submission is essential
- A bachelors degree with a minimum upper second class honours (NFQ level 8) or international equivalence in a relevant programme.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Graduate Profile

David McNulty, Director of Architecture, Louis Vuitton, Paris

I graduated from UCD Architecture in 1985. Professor Henri Ciriani was a visiting lecturer at UCD during my tenure and he was instrumental in encouraging me to move to Paris after completion of my studies. In addition Paul Moore, a 5th year studio master at UCD, helped secure my first job with Marcel Breuer's Paris office. Many jobs later including time at Chaix & Morel Architects and a period with set designer François Confino, I was approached by Louis Vuitton to set up and manage their Architecture Department and real estate portfolio. I have been Director of Louis Vuitton Architecture for 16 years. UCD was the springboard and opened the first doors in my career.

International Students

- Stay in Ireland after graduating for 12 months to seek employment
- Approved by US Dept. of Education for federally supported loans
- Apply for Non-EU Scholarships: www.ucd.ie/international/scholarships

Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- MLA Master of Landscape Architecture
- MArchSc Urban Design
- MArchSc Sustainable Building Design & Performance
- MArchSc Landscape Studies
- MArchSc Conservation & Heritage

Fees

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MArchSC Conservation & Heritage
(One Year Full Time)

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Leading centre of industry expertise

UCD Architecture has been the leading centre of expertise for the study of conservation and management of buildings and urban areas in Ireland for over 25 years. The new taught masters contributes to the education of a broader range of applicants in the specialist knowledge and skills pertaining to conservation of the built environment to address the growing need for expertise in the rehabilitation and conservation of buildings and towns.

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Course Content and Structure

90 credits taught masters	30 credits taught modules	30 credits studio	30 credits thesis

Modules include:

- Research Methods in Architecture
- Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Studio
- Conservation History, Theory and Policy
- Case Studies and Reflective Practice
- Building Study Studio
- Negotiated Elective Module
- Materials, Technology and the Environment
- Thesis Module

Please see online for a full list of modules.

Career Opportunities

This programme is about forming the minds of those who will make and manage the man-made environment of the future. Graduates will have advanced skills in analysis, critique and problem solving of conservation and heritage areas, and will be able to critically appreciate the decision-making process surrounding urban and building conservation and heritage both nationally and internationally.

Past graduates of the affiliated research masters in Urban and Building Conservation have gone on to become international or national experts in their selected fields. Many of these graduates have changed the way that Ireland's designed environment is perceived, planned, protected and developed.

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Entry Requirements

- A 4-year bachelors degree with a minimum upper second class honours (NFQ level 8) or international equivalence in a relevant programme.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Graduate Profile

Mario Dreossi, Romania

The MArchSc in Conservation & Heritage in UCD captured my attention as it promoted an interdisciplinary approach, which I believe is very important in any professional environment. As a building conservationist, you ensure the continuity of the built heritage for present and future generations, which can be a very fulfilling. Ireland is an amazing country, which promotes a sustainable approach for the built heritage, being among the first in the world in this field. It has an immense history, great traditions and cultural values. UCD constitutes an academic environment full of possibilities where abilities and skills can be developed constantly. I am conducting my research on how you can meet with the new energy regulations whilst maintaining the authenticity of traditional buildings. There are a number of professional opportunities and career options in this area.

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Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- MArchSc Urban Design
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- MArchSc Lanscape Studies
- MLA Master of Landscape Architecture
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MArchSc Sustainable Building Design & Performance
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30 years' experience in EU supported research

The Sustainable Building Design & Performance programme has grown out of 30 years of experience in EU supported research in the field of building energy conservation and environmental performance. Students on the programme will have access to internationally recognised experience, expertise, facilities and resources unique in Ireland.

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Course Content and Structure

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Modules include:

- Research Methods in Architecture
- Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Studio
- Sustainable Building Design & Performance
- Case Studies and Reflective Practice
- Building Analysis Studio
- Negotiated Elective Module
- Thesis Development
- Thesis Module

Please see online for a full list of modules.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the programme will be well positioned and will have a distinct advantage in securing roles in defining the sustainable future of the built environment.

Students who have completed graduate and postgraduate programmes with the UCD School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy and the UCD Energy Research Group have gone on to work in world-renowned consultancies, practices, research agencies and universities. The programme is also an introductory vehicle for those wishing to pursue further research at research masters or PhD level both at UCD and internationally.

Facilities and Resources

The programme is delivered by the UCD School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy and supported by the UCD Earth Institute Built Environment Laboratory, offering excellent laboratory resources and supported by technical expertise. Students are also exposed to the wide range of quality academic programmes across the whole university in which they can participate through elective modules. UCD hosts excellent paper-based and electronic library resources in the areas of architecture and sustainable design.

The School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy offers dedicated studio space for its students, a dedicated architecture library and map room, access to fully equipped computer facilities, a building laboratory space with a wide range of equipment including laser cutters and CNC router, and access to monitoring and simulation equipment in the Earth Institute Built Environment Laboratory.

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Entry Requirements

- A 4-year bachelors degree with a minimum upper second class honours (NFQ level 8) or international equivalence in a relevant programme.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Graduate Profile

Elena Nikolova, Bulgaria

This Masters offered me everything that I am professionally interested in and everything that I was looking to learn in order to progress my career. It is a very interesting and challenging, diverse and up-to-date Master's that offers great opportunities to expand your knowledge and grow professionally. The experience of undertaking it became even greater thanks to the devoted teachers I've had and the many friends from all over the world I made. Another advantage is that I had the chance to explore the amazing natural wonders of Ireland and meet lovely local people.

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Related Masters Programmes of Interest

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Taught by leading European researchers and practitioners

Students in Urban Design are educated by leading researchers and practitioners in Europe, and are exposed to contemporary theoretical, technical and legislative issues.

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Modules include:

- Research Methods in Architecture
- Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Studio
- Introduction to Urban Design
- GIS
- Case Studies and Reflective Practice
- Urban Design Studio
- Urban Design Theory
- Negotiated Elective Module
- Design, Culture and Dublin
- Thesis Module

Please see online for a full list of modules.

Career Opportunities

This programme is about forming the minds of those who will make and manage the man-made environment of the future. Graduates will gain advanced skills in analysis, critique and problem solving of urban design issues, and will be able to appreciate the decision-making process surrounding the design of the urban environment, both nationally and internationally.

Those with advanced qualifications in this field will have a distinct advantage in securing roles defining the future of the man-made environment. Past students in the course's connected programmes have gone on to become international or national experts in their selected fields. Many of these students have changed the way that the designed environment is perceived, designed, planned, protected and developed.

Facilities and Resources

The School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy offers dedicated studio space for its students, a dedicated architecture library and map room, access to fully equipped computer facilities, a building laboratory space with a wide range of equipment, including laser cutters and CNC router, and access to monitoring and simulation equipment in the Earth Institute Built Environment Laboratory.

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Entry Requirements

- A 4-year bachelors degree with a minimum upper second class honours (NFQ level 8) or international equivalence in a relevant programme.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Graduate Profile

Cang Chen, China, Graduate

I chose Ireland because it is an English-speaking county in Europe, which has a beautiful landscape and friendly people. I chose UCD because it is one of the best universities worldwide, with quality teaching in the subject area of Urban Design. Additionally, the UCD School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy is of an excellent standard, and has a significant and influential impact on urban design and urban planning in Ireland. UCD is a modern university with kind hearted staff, excellent teaching and great facilities. My future plan is to be an urban designer. I believe the knowledge I have gained at UCD will help me in my future career, for example, useful research methods like Space Syntax.

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Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- MArchSc Sustainable Building Design & Development
- MArchSc Landscape Studies
- MArchSc Conservation & Heritage
- MArch Architecture

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MArchSc Landscape Studies
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Offers an interdisciplinary and flexible curriculum

A year of fundamentally interdisciplinary study that will make you think differently about the landscape and your role in caring for it. The curriculum is very flexible and students choose elective modules that allow them to pursue their personal strands of interest about cultural, ecological or design matters.

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Course Content and Structure

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Modules include:

- Research Methods in Architecture
- Geographical Information Systems for Policy and Planning
- Postgraduate Studio
- Negotiated Elective Module
- Case Studies and Reflective Practice
- Multi-disciplinary Approaches to the Landscape
- Integrated Landscape Studio
- Thesis Module

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Career Opportunities

A common challenge in the future will include the management of landscape resources and infrastructures. Those with advanced qualifications in this field will have a distinct advantage over others hoping to shape the future of the built and natural environment.

Graduates of this programme may participate in changing the way that local and everyday landscapes are perceived, designed, planned and protected, all over the world.

Facilities and Resources

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Entry Requirements

- A 4-year bachelors degree with a minimum upper second class honours (NFQ level 8) or international equivalence in a relevant programme.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Student Profile

Dhivyaa Chelvan, India, Student

I chose the MArchSc in Landscape Architecture in UCD as I hold a professional architecture degree (B.Arch) from India and I was looking for a one-year masters to enhance my knowledge on landscape. Additionally, the studio is multi-disciplinary combining all strands of Architecture. Overall, I have found the quality of the education and infrastructure outstanding in UCD. Initially after I graduate, I would like to find a job as a building and outdoor space design architect, but my long term goal is to complete a PhD and work as an academic. UCD has given me a very good foundation to move in this direction.

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Master of Landscape Architecture
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Landscape architecture involves the design, planning and management of open space and infrastructure at local, regional and national scales. It involves the understanding of social, ecological, spatial and environmental conditions and processes, and the design of spaces and other interventions that improve the quality of modern life in both the city and the countryside.

This course teaches you how to design with the landscape. You will work with the natural and cultural processes that shape our towns and countryside. Graduates of this professionally recognised programme can go onto practice as landscape architects in Ireland, Europe and elsewhere – designing anything from gardens to cities.

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Key Fact

Delivered by an Architecture School ranked in the top 100 in Europe by Domus, the MLA results in an internationally recognised qualification, which leads to professional practice in Landscape Architecture.

Course Content and Structure

120 ECTS	45 credits taught modules	45 credits studio	30 credit thesis

The current list of modules is:

Year 1
- Landscape Design Studio
- Landscape Research
- GIS
- EIA and SEA
- Landscape Design Studio
- Landscape Research
- Multi-disciplinary Approaches to the Landscape
- Negotiated Level Four module

Year 2
- Landscape Architectural Thesis
- Landscape Architectural Dissertation
- Landscape design studio
- Professional Practice Business
- Negotiated Level Four module

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Career Opportunities

A qualification in landscape architecture leads to employment opportunities in a variety of fields associated with human settlement.

Our graduates work in private practise, local government, academia and many different kinds of non-governmental organisations all over the world.

Graduate Profile

Dominick Comerford, Graduate

I came from 15 years in the world of mainstream commercial architecture and wanted something more. Landscape Architecture introduced me to many additional subject areas relating to design in our environment - with an emphasis on natural, ecological and cultural values. The MLA at UCD opened my eyes and I now see the world around me in a much more exciting, stimulating and interesting way. I gave myself the opportunity of complete immersion in order to 'get it ' as they say. The learning is ongoing, this is a wide and beautiful subject. I found the tutors very supportive and encouraging, some with infectious enthusiasm, which has stayed with me and is definitely the best way to learn. Having completed the MLA in 2006, my practice in Ireland now specialises in smaller scale Architecture and Landscape Architecture. I also tutor on the undergraduate programme at UCD.

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Entry Requirements

- Portfolio submission is essential
- A 3-year bachelors degree in Landscape Architecture with a minimum upper second class honours (NFQ level 8) or international equivalence in Landscape Architecture or a related programme. Graduates of certain cognate disciplines will be considered for entry, but may be required to complete the MLA Pathway programme.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

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MSc Environmental Policy
(One Year Full Time)

This MSc explores the increasingly complex environmental challenges that societies and governments face across the globe: including climate change, the development of sustainable and resilient cities, the management of environmental risks and the relationship between the environment and quality-of-life issues.

This course is designed for graduates who wish to acquire the professional knowledge, skills and tools for a career in the environmental field, while contributing to a more sustainable and resilient future. The course takes an international perspective on environmental issues. Students develop the skills and knowledge to understand environmental challenges and to provide innovative, creative and socially just solutions for managing environmental change. Students gain practical experience in policy analysis, GIS, environmental assessment, cost-benefit analysis, environmental mediation, public participation and risk management. Key professional skills for future career development include leadership, problem-solving, communication and media skills, project management and strategic planning.

Top international ranking

Planning and Environmental Policy in UCD has an established international track record as a leading research centre in environmental policy and is in the Top 100 QS World University Rankings by subject area.

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| 90 credits taught masters | 60 credits taught modules | 30 credits dissertation |

All students undertake 90 credits across a range of modules that help students develop foundational knowledge and skills in policymaking, and equip students to employ these new skills to manage a diverse range of of contemporary environmental challenges. In addition to taught modules, students undertake a practice-based studio module, and can also pursue their own specialist interest through completion of a thesis. The programme includes modules from the following indicative list:

- Geographical Information Systems
- European Environmental Policy
- Environmental Assessment
- Governing Nature
- Environmental Economics and Climate Policy

- Research Design and Methods
- Urban Environments: Risk, Resilience and Sustainability
- Debates in Energy Transitions
- Tools for Sustainable Development
- Thesis

Please note that all modules listed might not be available in any given year.

Career Opportunities

Graduates work in policymaking and public-sector management, political parties, private sector management, corporate environmental responsibility, policy and environmental consultancy, media and communications, research and teaching, environmental NGOs and lobby groups as:

Environmental communications consultant, water conservation officer, environmental education officer, environmental consultant, nature conservation officer, policy analyst, environmental research scientist and energy consultant.

Graduate Profile

Shikha Ranjha, India, Student

The Environmental Policy programme with its intensive lecture regime, group work and assignments helped me to develop practical and transferable skills. The programme offers a multi-disciplinary approach which allows a person to effectively question and expand upon the theories of environmental management and understand the development of society in harmony with its environment. Internationally recognised and experienced faculty provide you with opportunities for outstanding graduate study in all areas of policy and environmental management and you can expect to be in regular contact with them in case of any questions or help needed. The course is challenging, but is extremely rewarding in the end.

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Entry Requirements

- This programme is intended for applicants with a degree in any discipline such as social sciences and arts, environmental sciences, law and business studies, or engineering.
- At least a lower second class honours primary degree; US GPA of 3.0 overall; or other international equivalent is required.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

International Students

- Stay in Ireland after graduating for 12 months to seek employment
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Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- MA Geopolitics & Global Economy
- Masters of Urban & Regional Planning
- MSc Environmental Science

Fees

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Master of Regional & Urban Planning (Two Years Full Time)

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Depending on your interests, you choose to specialise in either development and design, or environmental planning. The Master of Regional and Urban Planning is accredited by the Royal Town Planning Institute and the Irish Planning Institute and these qualifications are recognised internationally.

Leading research centre in Spatial Planning

UCD School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy has an established international track record as a leading research centre in spatial planning and is in the Top 100 QS World University Rankings by subject area. The School is a member of the Association of European Schools of Planning and has an exchange programme with the University of Illinois in Chicago.

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Course Content and Structure

120 Credits taught masters | **90 credits** taught modules | **30 credits** dissertation

Core modules include:

- Planning, Society and Diversity
- Placemaking
- Geographical Information Systems for Policy and Planning
- Economics and Property Markets
- Research Design & Methods

- Planning and Development Methodology
- Rural and Landscape Planning
- Planning Law, Governance and Ethics
- Transportation Planning
- Economics and Property Markets

- Urban and Regional Development
- Leadership, Development and Project Management
- Planning Studio Project
- Environmental Assessment

You also choose from a diverse range of optional modules dependent on your selection of Development and Design or Environmental Planning as your specialism.

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Career Opportunities

Graduates of the MRUP are to be found working in roles such as professional planner, GIS consultant, researcher, policy advisor property consultant and community development co-ordinator.

Our graduates have found employment with: International planning institutes, national planning agencies, government departments, local authorities, transportation agencies, planning consultancy firms and utility companies.

Graduate Profile

Trevor Newman, US, Student

I had always heard stories about the great culture, beautiful landscape, and hospitality of the Irish people, so Ireland had always been a place I wanted to visit. When it came to choosing a masters programme, Ireland was the first place I looked. I chose the MRUP at UCD, because of my interest in the module titles and the international accreditation by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI). The focus of the school on international examples and the opportunity to write a thesis about any planning related subject was also of interest to me. The knowledge and quality of teaching within the MRUP programme really stood out and the diverse subject matter covered throughout the course gives a great deal of flexibility for future interests and job opportunities.

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MArch Pathways Programme Overview
School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy
(One to four semesters in duration)

This programme is an entry route for applicants who do not have the BSc (Architectural Science) degree from UCD or an equivalent degree to fulfil the direct entry criteria for the Master of Architecture Degree Programme (MArch). The MArch Pathway programme provides an entry route for applicants who wish to pursue a career in the field of Architecture.

To enter the MArch Pathway programme, suitable applicants will be required to go through an interview process and to submit a portfolio to demonstrate their interest in the field of Architecture. Following the outcome of the interview process, the applicant will agree to undertake an individual curriculum of up to 120 credits from the existing modules of the BSc in Architectural Science (BHARCH001) degree. These modules will be determined by Negotiated Learning Agreement with the School on an individual basis. Students must successfully complete all required modules to be eligible to progress onto the Master of Architecture Degree Programme (MArch).

On the MArch Pathway programme, the student will accumulate the necessary required knowledge to register to the MArch programme, from basic drawing skills and model making to complex architectural design solutions, individual interpretation and critical thinking on architectural issues. Technical, structural and environmental solutions to the student's design proposals etc are also covered. Depending on their prior learning the student may be requested to take modules within the discipline of Architecture such as History and Theory of Architecture; Building Construction and Technology and Structural and Environmental Behaviour which are offered as part of the BHARCH001 BSc (Architectural Science) programme.

Additional information on our Master of Architecture Degree Programme (MArch) at UCD Architecture
This two-year 120-ECTS credit programme fulfils the requirements for the second part of professional education in architecture (RIAI and RIBA Part II exempt). The School of Architecture, Planning & Environmental Policy is in the process of pursuing Substantial Equivalency for the existing MArch Degree with the National Architectural Accrediting Board in the US. The MArch equips students to deal with complex design problems in challenging contexts. Through studio projects, academic writing and practical experiment it develops professional capacities while placing equal emphasis on research and critical enquiry. It situates architecture within a broader field of disciplines and influences. The programme is led by academics and practitioners at the forefront of the discipline. It encourages students to participate in and lead the development of a vital and critical culture of architecture.

For more refer to information on our Masters of Architecture.

How will I benefit?

If you wish to pursue a career in the field of Architecture, but if you do not have the BSc (Architectural Science) degree from UCD or an equivalent degree to fulfil the direct entry criteria for the Master of Architecture Degree Programme (MArch) at UCD, this programme will give you the opportunity to receive a professional degree in Architecture.

Applying Online

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Entry Qualifications

- Applicants are expected to have a minimum 2.1H Bachelor's degree from a recognised institution or, in the judgment of the School's selection committee, the equivalent of this degree.
- Portfolio submission is optional, but recommended where possible.
- Successful progression to the Master of Architecture Degree is dependent on the students having completed the equivalent of 3 years of the UCD BSc (Architectural Science) Degree when their prior learning and MArch Pathway modules are combined.
- If English is not your native language, the minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL Internet Based Test is 100 and on IELTS it is 6.5.

Useful Links

www.ucd.ie/programmes/t273
www.ucd.ie/graduatestudies/coursefinder/

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MLA Pathways Programme Overview
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This programme is an entry route for applicants who do not have an undergraduate degree in Landscape Architecture to fulfil the direct entry criteria for the Master of Landscape Architecture Degree Programme (MLA). The MLA Pathway programme provides an entry route for applicants who wish to pursue a career in Landscape Architecture.

To enter the MLA Pathway programme, suitable applicants will be required to go through an interview process and to submit a portfolio to demonstrate their interest in the field of Landscape Architecture. Following the outcome of the interview process, the applicant will agree to undertake an individual curriculum of up to 120 credits from the existing modules of the BSc in Landscape Architecture (BHARCH005) degree. These modules will be determined by Negotiated Learning Agreement with the School on an individual basis. Students must successfully complete all required modules to be eligible to progress onto the Master of Landscape Architecture Degree Programme (MLA).

On the MLA Pathway programme, the student will accumulate the knowledge required to register to the MLA programme, from basic drawing and spatial design skills to more complex landscape architectural design solutions, individual interpretation and critical thinking about landscape issues. Depending on prior learning students will take modules from within the discipline of Landscape Architecture such as History and Theory of Landscape Architecture; Landscape Ecology, Landscape Materials and Construction all of which are offered as part of the BHARCH005 BSc (Landscape Architecture) programme.

Additional information on our Master of Landscape Architecture Degree Programme (MLA) at UCD Landscape Architecture
This two-year 120-ECTS credit programme is recognized by EFLA (Europe) as fulfilling the academic requirements of professional education in landscape architecture. The MLA equips students to deal with complex landscape design problems in challenging contexts. Through studio projects, academic writing and practical experiment it develops professional capacities while placing equal emphasis on research and critical enquiry and situating landscape architecture within its broader field of disciplines and influences.

How will I benefit?

If you wish to pursue a career in the field of Landscape Architecture, but if you do not have the BSc Landscape Architecture degree from UCD or an equivalent degree to fulfil the direct entry criteria for the Master of Landscape Architecture Degree Programme (MLA) at UCD, this programme will give you the opportunity to receive a professional degree in Landscape Architecture.

Applying Online

This programme receives significant interest so please apply early online at www.ucd.ie/apply

Entry Qualifications

- Transcripts of your Academic Degree along with proof of relevant prior learning, for example portfolio of designed or built work, photographs, project drawings or writings
- Interview, in person or by Skype, that along with the other documentation, allows an applicants' level of knowledge to be identified along with a corresponding curriculum of learning.
- If English is not our native language, the minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL Internet Based Test is 100 and on IELTS it is 6.5

Useful Links

www.ucd.ie/programmes/t296
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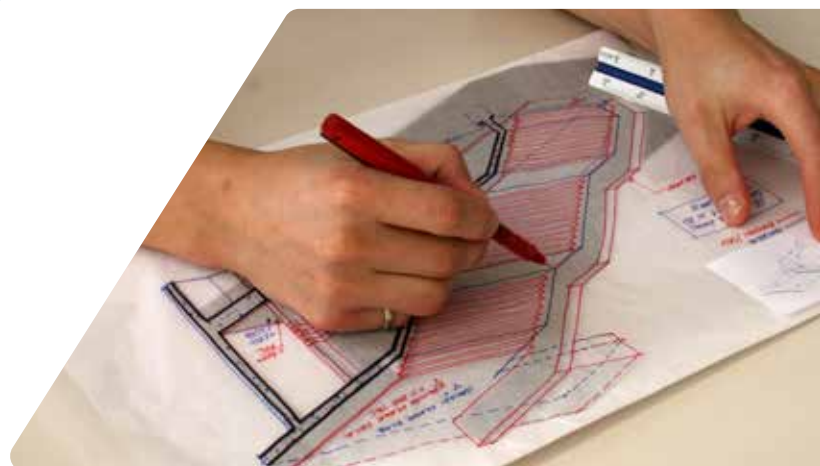Over 6,000 international students from over 120 countries study at UCD

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