

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

FACTFILE

Part-time Schedule

Duration

2 full calendar years: 5 semesters;
4 taught semesters and a final
dissertation to be submitted in
the final year.

Delivery

Blended - Livestream (online)
classes with some in-person
(on campus) delivery.
Exams may take the form of
online or in person.

Start Date

Sept 2026

Indicative Timetable

Monday and Wednesday
18.00 - 21.00 online plus some
Saturday workshops on campus.

Fees

€4,250 per annum
(€8,500 total fee)
(Fees revised annually)

Full-time Schedule

Duration

September Starts
1 year taught plus a final
dissertation: 2 semesters
(Sep-Dec and Jan-May),
Dissertation due in August.

January Starts

(where available and subject to
numbers) 1 year taught plus a
final dissertation: 2 semesters (Jan-
May and Sep-Dec) Dissertation due
in May the following year.

Delivery

On-campus face-to-face classes

Start Date

Sept 2026 and Jan 2027

Indicative Timetable

Students need to be available
09.00-17.00 Monday – Friday.
Some classes may be scheduled
after 5pm. Class days
and times vary.

EU Fee

€8,500 total fee
(EU/Ireland applicants)
(Fees revised annually)

Application: Apply online at www.ncirl.ie

Course Description

The MSc in International Business has been specifically designed for those wishing to gain deeper knowledge of the international business environment as both employees or as owner/managers of businesses operating internationally. The requirement for managers to think globally but act locally is vital for success. An understanding of the international environment in which many organisations are now situated cannot be over-emphasised.

Who is the course for?

The course is aimed at anyone following a career path that requires them to step into middle to top management positions in an internationally-focused business environment. Additionally, the course can provide a transition stage for graduates from other disciplines who wish to move into the management arena either as practitioners, researchers or consultants.

Award and Progression

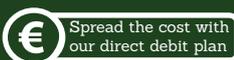
The MSc in International Business course is awarded by QQI at level 9 on the National Framework of Qualifications. This award will allow transfer to level 9 research degrees and in some cases progression to taught doctoral courses at level 10 on the NFQ.

Entry Requirements

Applicants are required to hold a minimum of a 2.2 honours degree in either a cognate or noncognate area at level 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications. The College operates a Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning (RPEL) scheme meaning non-graduates with extensive professional experience and other prior qualifications may also be considered.

Laptop Requirement

All students applying to NCI must have access to a laptop that will allow them to attend classes online and, where relevant, to participate in on-campus learning. Some students may be able to avail of the Student Laptop Loan Scheme, subject to eligibility. See page 83 for more information.





COURSE CONTENT

In year 1 of the part-time programme and in the first semester of year 2, students are required to undertake two core modules per semester. In the first semester of year 2, students are also required to complete a ten-credit research methods module. In year 2, semester 2, students take one core module and one elective. The final element of the programme requires learners to undertake a research dissertation.

In the full-time schedule, students are required to undertake 4 core modules in semester 1, and 3 core modules plus an elective in semester 2. In addition, students are required to complete a ten-credit research methods module which runs across semester 1 and 2. The final element of the programme requires learners to undertake a research dissertation.

Core Modules

- . Global Business
- . Business Models, Strategy and Tactics
- . Marketing in the Global Environment
- . Leading, Managing and Planning in Organisations
- . Corporate Governance, Business Ethics and CSR
- . Economics for Management
- . Contemporary Issues in Global Finance
- . Research Methods
- . Dissertation

Elective Modules

- . Strategic Management of Human Capital
- . Business Intelligence
- . Sustainable Business Leadership
- . Commercial Law
- . Entrepreneurship
- . Management in Postmodern Markets
- . Doing Business on the Cloud
- . Strategic Project Management

Note: Availability of elective choices is subject to student numbers. The course content as shown above is for indicative purposes. All modules count towards the final award classification.