

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)

FACTFILE



Part-time Schedule

Application

Apply online at www.ncirl.ie

Start Date

Sept 2024

Duration

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

Delivery

Blended - Livestream (online) classes with some campus classes and some in-person exams, scheduled in advance.

Indicative Timetable

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

Fees

€6,700 per annum (€13,400 total fee) (Fees revised annually)

Course Description

The MBA course will provide you with a strong theoretical foundation in the broader disciplines of management as well as focusing on the practical application of theory in real world settings and cases. You will be exposed to the latest thinking in the core disciplines of enterprise, leadership, organisational management, people management, strategy, decision-making, management of financial resources and economics. You will be able to choose from a wide range of electives specialising in areas such as marketing, law, project management and doing business on the cloud. There will also be the opportunity to participate in an exciting enterprise management simulation game.

The course is underpinned by a strong foundation in enterprise and leadership and emphasises the development of effective business and management skills to solve management problems through structured analysis, problem solving techniques, effective decision-making, and effective communications.

The knowledge and skills acquired through our MBA will allow you to progress your own management career as well as encourage you to consider creating a business of your own. It will allow you to develop a creative, innovative and entrepreneurial perspective.

Block teaching is used to provide the opportunity for more in-depth development of knowledge within modules. An applied approach to teaching is used within the programme with lectures interspersed with exercises, use of case study analysis, group activities in class, debate on contemporary issues, as well as independent learning.

Who is the course for?

The MBA is aimed at candidates with at least three years of work experience, seeking to start or develop a career in management.

Award and Progression

The Master of Business Administration 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 doctoral study 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 non-cognate area at level 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications and a minimum of three years' postgraduate work experience, ideally but not necessarily, in management.

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 for the course.

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 87 for more information.



COURSE CONTENT

In both year 1 and year 2 of the programme, students are required to undertake two core modules per semester plus one elective in semester 2. In addition, in year 2 of the programme, students are required to complete a ten-credit research methods module, which runs across semester 1 and 2.

Core Modules

- Entrepreneurial Dynamics
- Macroeconomics in a Global Context
- The Science of Decision Making
- Managing Financial Resources
- Strategic Management of Human Capital
- Effective Leadership in the Organisation
- Sustainable Business Leadership
- Enterprise Simulation Game
- Research Methods
- Dissertation

Elective Modules

- Corporate Governance, Business Ethics and CSR
- Business Intelligence
- Marketing in the Global Environment
- Commercial Law
- Employment Law
- Contemporary Issues in Global Finance
- Doing Business on the Cloud
- Strategic Project Management
- Management in Postmodern Markets
- International Field Trip*

Elective Choices

Availability of elective choices is subject to student numbers. The course content as shown above is for indicative purposes. The College reserves the right to re-order the schedule of modules offered.

* The international field trip incurs an additional fee and is subject to student numbers. Visa restrictions may apply.

"It's an internationally recognised qualification and the standard of lecturers is world-class."

Student Profile

Adam Shah
MBA