



University College Dublin
Ireland's Global University

MA/MSc International Political Economy (One Year Full Time)

The MA/MSc International Political Economy (IPE) is designed to provide an in-depth understanding of the institutions, actors, events, and politics of the global economy. Basing itself in international relations theory and method, the course explores the international trade, monetary and finance systems, the processes of globalisation, the impact of emerging economies and the causes and consequences of economic underdevelopment. You will probe the linkages of the global economy with international environmental, human rights, gender and migration issues. You will study both the 'British'

and 'American' schools of IPE. You will complete a research dissertation under the guidance of an academic supervisor.

In UCD, you may choose to study for an MA or MSc qualification in International Political Economy. The MSc track includes additional research components and is particularly suitable if you want a career in research or academia. The MA track is broader and allows you to choose to complete a dissertation or apply for an internship.

Largest and oldest School of its kind in Ireland

UCD School of Politics & International Relations is the oldest and largest school of its kind in Ireland with over 150 years of experience in political studies and a world-renowned faculty drawn from many countries.

Why study at UCD?



Tradition

Established 1854, with 160 years of teaching & research excellence



Global profile

UCD is ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide



Global community

Over 6,000 international students from over 120 countries study at UCD



Global careers

Degrees with high employability; dedicated careers support; 1 year stay-back visa



Safety

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

Course Content and Structure

90 credits
taught masters

60 credits
taught modules

30 credits
dissertation

or

30 credits
internship

You will study the following core modules. Core modules:

- International Political Economy
- Governing the Global Economy
- Dissertation Design

Additional core modules required for MSc:

- Descriptive Statistics for Political Science
- Inferential Statistics in Political Science
- Qualitative Methods
- Introduction to Research Design

MA students choose four optional modules.
MSc students choose two optional modules.

Optional modules:

- International Economic Crisis
- US Foreign Policy
- Theories of International Relations
- Africa: Crisis and Opportunity?
- Poverty, Development and Global Justice
- Comparative Public Policy
- Politics of Human Rights
- Politics and Change in the Middle East and North Africa





Career Opportunities

Graduates work with international private-sector employers, government agencies and NGOs in roles such as: government social researcher, diplomatic advisor, public affairs consultant and political advisor.



Recent graduates of UCD School of Politics & International Relations now work in:

- United Nations
- World Trade Organisation
- IMF
- European Commission
- Asia Development Bank



Graduate Profile

Tatjana Krivaltsevs,
Netherlands, Technical Project
Coordinator at South Stream
Transport BV

Spending one year in fascinating Dublin was a truly fantastic experience. UCD has much to offer: an extremely interesting selection of subjects, an outstanding and competent team of teaching staff, a balanced combination of independent and team work, and, most importantly, an international and multicultural environment. Indeed, it was amazing to share the classroom with wonderful people from all around the world – Italy, Japan, China, United States, Poland, Germany, Norway, Canada, Israel, Mexico, the Netherlands and, of course, Ireland.

Apply Now

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

Entry Requirements

- This programme is intended for applicants with a degree in a relevant subject such as political science, international relations, social science, sociology, history, geography, economics, global studies, public policy, development studies, EU studies, law. An upper second class honours or international equivalent is required.
- Your application will be considered on its individual merits and relevant professional experience will also be taken into account.
- 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 Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fee information is available on www.ucd.ie/fees. Please note that UCD offers a number of graduate scholarships for full-time, self-funding international students, holding an offer of a place on a UCD masters programme. Please see www.ucd.ie/international/scholarships for further information.

Related Masters Programmes of Interest

- MA/MSc International Relations
- MA/MSc International Development
- MA/MSc Politics

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