PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The MSc in Perinatal Mental Health (PMH) adopts a wellbeing focus through exploring the promotion, identification, management and care of women who experience PMH issues and their families. The interdisciplinary nature of the programme is designed to facilitate professionals in developing their knowledge and skills of PMH promotion and to meet the needs of PMH across the continuum from normal psychological transitions to complex psychological difficulties e.g. mood, anxiety and psychotic experiences. Prevention, identification and effective PMH care are important considering the potential consequences for women, infants/children, families and society. The MSc programme incorporates an interdisciplinary approach in its delivery and will facilitate inter-professional learning, education and collaboration, and has been developed in response to the National and International focus for education and training for healthcare professionals in PMH.

ADVANTAGES OF STUDYING IN UL

• 13 Days attendance only in year 1
• Supervised Research Project in year 2
• Blended Learning to Support Student Learning
• Variety of Assessment Strategies to suit adult learners
• Excellent library facilities
• Dedicated student supports (Writing Centre, Student Advisor System, Blended Learning)

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## Programme Structure

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## Entry Requirements

1. Applicants for a Master’s programme must normally have a first or second class Level 8 honours degree (NFQ or other internationally recognised equivalent) in a relevant or appropriate subject, or equivalent prior learning that is recognised by the University as meeting this requirement.
2. Applicants must also satisfy the English Language Requirements of the University. The University reserves the right to shortlist and interview applicants as deemed necessary.
3. Hold a recognised health-related professional qualification and current professional registration with their relevant regulatory professional body.
4. Garda clearance may be required for year 2.

## The department offers the following level 9 postgraduate programmes

- MSc Nursing
- MSc Perinatal Mental Health
- MSc Nursing (Dementia Care)
- MSc Nursing (Palliative Care)
- MSc Nursing (Peri-operative Care)
- MSc Nursing (Psychosocial Interventions in Mental Health Care)
- MSc Nursing (Older Person)
- MSc Nursing (Respiratory Care) - next intake 2020

## The department also offers the following:

### Programmes

- Level 9 Master's by Research
- Level 10 PhD by Research
- Level 10 Professional Doctorate in Healthcare Practice
- Level 10 EHS Structured PhD

### Continuous Professional Development Modules

- Any module can be taken on a stand-alone basis. If students have completed stand-alone modules or a programme of study, a maximum of 2 modules can be exempted from a programme. Students must enrol on a programme to receive an award.
- Programme enrolment occurs each Aug/Sept.