

School of Graduate Studies



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Every year a growing number of graduates choose Cork Institute of Technology (CIT) as their preferred destination for postgraduate education. Whether pursuing a taught or research Masters or PhD, you can expect to work on solving complex problems in cutting edge research and innovation across a range of disciplines, with the support of expert staff who will guide and mentor you along your chosen career path. Programmes are available in Engineering, Science, Computing, Business, Education, Humanities, Maritime, Art and Media, and Music. Programmes are classified in accordance with the National Framework of Qualifications (www.nfq.ie) either as Level 9-Postgraduate Diploma (Taught), Masters (Taught) and Masters by Research, or Level 10 - Doctoral.



MASTER DEGREE (LEVEL 9)

Taught

The Masters (Taught) programme involves a combination of lecture attendance, dissertation, and course work. Programme duration for full time students is normally one calendar year (three semesters), comprising 90 ECTS credits. Some of the progression and transfer routes include progression to programmes leading to Doctoral Degrees or to another Master Degree or to a Postgraduate Diploma.

Postgraduate Diploma (Level 9)

The Postgraduate Diploma often forms the taught element of a Masters (Taught) degree, comprising 60 ECTS credits delivered over 2 semesters for full-time students. It can also be a stand-alone programme.

Research

The Masters by Research involves project work under the supervision of a highly qualified research leader and is examinable by thesis. The usual programme duration for full-time students is 21 months from the date of admission to the Masters Research Register.

DOCTORAL DEGREE (LEVEL 10)

The Doctorate (PhD) programme follows the same process as that of a research Masters but involves more advanced original research work. The normal duration for a PhD is approximately four academic years from the date of admission to the PhD register. There is also a facility to transfer from the Masters to the PhD register in most circumstances. Various models for doctoral degree programmes now exist, ranging from the traditional research doctorate to structured and professional doctoral programmes which have substantial taught components that are geared to meeting the needs of the contemporary employment market.

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

CIT offers PhD and Masters by Research opportunities for post-graduate research across all disciplines. The main research activity is currently centred on four clusters that reflect the dominant strategic research strengths and critical mass at CIT: BioExplore (Biological Sciences; Chemistry; Biomedical Engineering); Nimbus (Electronic Engineering; Computing); Photonics (Applied Physics & Instrumentation); and Energy & Sustainable Environment (Civil, Structural & Environmental Engineering; Architecture).

CIT RÍSAM PhD SCHOLARSHIPS

CIT provides funding annually under the Rísam Scholarship Programme for PhD research students. The Irish word Rísam, meaning to strive or achieve, underlines the purpose of this scholarship programme which is to promote high-end research directed towards the generation of new knowledge or original applications of existing knowledge. The Rísam Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis and research proposals must be aligned with CIT's Research Prioritisation Thematic areas.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The minimum entry requirement for a postgraduate programme at CIT is normally a Level 8 Bachelor (Honours) Degree in a cognate discipline with the classification of at least a second-class honours Grade 2, or equivalent. Where there is competition for admission, applicants are ranked in order of merit based on academic achievement. An interview may also form part of the selection process depending on the nature of the programme.

ART, DESIGN & MEDIA				
Taught Programmes	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MA in Art and Design Education	Full Time/Part Time	Albert Walsh	albert.walsh@cit.ie	3/5 Semesters
MA in Teaching Visual Arts for Primary and Early Years Education	Full Time/Part Time	Albert Walsh	albert.walsh@cit.ie	3/5 Semesters
MA in Art Therapy	Full Time	Ed Kuczaj	ed.kuczaj@cit.ie	4 Semesters
MA in Media Design	Full Time	Paul Green	paul.green@cit.ie	2 Semesters
MA in E-learning in Design and Development	Full-time	Dr Gearóid Ó Suilleabháin	gearoid.osuilleabhain@cit.ie	2 Semesters
MA in Public Relations with New Media	Full Time	Emmett Coffey	emmett.coffey@cit.ie	3 Semesters
MA in Journalism with New Media	Full Time	Frank O'Donovan	frank.odonovan@cit.ie	3 Semesters
MA in Art & Process	Full Time	Trish Brennan	trish.brennan@cit.ie	3 Semesters*
<i>* 3 Semesters, running from late January to December</i>				
BUSINESS				
Taught Programmes	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MBus in Information Systems	Part Time	John Meyler	john.meyler@cit.ie	4 Semesters
MBus in Marketing	Part Time	John Meyler	john.meyler@cit.ie	4 Semesters
MBus in Accounting	Part Time	John Meyler	john.meyler@cit.ie	4 Semesters
MBus in Innovation & Enterprise	Part Time	John Meyler	john.meyler@cit.ie	4 Semesters
MSc in Marketing Practice	Full Time	Conor Kelleher	conor.kelleher@cit.ie	3 Semesters
MA in Human Resource Management	Part Time	Dr Felix Raekson	felix.raekson@cit.ie	4 semesters
ACCA	Full Time	Muireann O'Neill	acca@cit.ie	2 Semesters
COMPUTING				
Taught Programmes	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MSc in Cloud Computing	Part Time	Tim Horgan	tim.horgan@cit.ie	6 Semesters
MSc in Software Development	Full Time/Part Time	Dr John Creagh	john.creagh@cit.ie	2/4 Semesters
MSc in Networking and Security	Full Time/Part Time	Vincent Ryan	vincent.ryan@cit.ie	2/4 Semesters

Duration*

2 Semesters is equivalent to 1 academic year, normally September to June
3 Semesters is equivalent to 1 calendar year, normally September to August

4 Semesters is equivalent to 2 academic years
6 Semesters is equivalent to 2 calendar year

EDUCATION				
Taught Programme	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MA in Teaching & Learning in Higher Education	Part Time	Dr Stephen Cassidy	stephen.cassidy@cit.ie	6 Semesters
ENGINEERING				
Taught Programmes	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MEng in Embedded Systems Engineering	Full Time/Part Time	Fergus O'Reilly	fergus.oreilly@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters
MEng in Structural Engineering	Full Time/Part Time	John Justin Murphy	john.justinmurphy@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters
MEng in Civil Engineering (Environment and Energy)	Full Time/Part Time	Leonard O'Driscoll	leonard.odriscoll@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters
MEng in Mechanical Engineering	Part Time	Dr Gerard Kelly	ger.kelly@cit.ie	6 Semesters
MEng in Chemical & Biopharmaceutical Engineering	Part Time	Dr Michael J O'Mahony	michael.jomahony@cit.ie	6 Semesters
MSc in Construction Project Management	Full Time/Part Time	Colin Donoghue	colin.donoghue@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters
Masters in Architecture (March) (jointly with UCC)	Full Time/Part Time	Jason O'Shaughnessy	jason.oshaughnessy@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters

Duration*

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- 3 Semesters is equivalent to one calendar year, normally September to August
- 4 Semesters is equivalent to two academic years
- 6 Semesters is equivalent to two calendar years

MUSIC				
Taught Programmes	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MA in Music - Performance	Full Time/Part Time	Nicholas O'Halloran	nicholas.ohalloran@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters
MA in Music - Composition	Full Time/Part Time	Dr Maria Judge	maria.judge@cit.ie	3/6 Semesters
MA/MSc in Music & Technology	Full Time/Part Time	Hugh McCarthy	hugh.mccarthy@cit.ie	3 Semesters
SCIENCE				
Taught Programmes	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MSc in Biomedical Science (jointly with UCC)	Part Time	Dr Lesley Cotter	lesley.cotter@cit.ie	4 Semesters
MSc in Computational Biology	Full Time	Dr Roy Sleator	roy.sleator@cit.ie	3 Semesters
SOCIAL & GENERAL STUDIES				
Taught Programme	Programme Mode	Contact Person	Contact Email	Duration *
MA in Integrative Psychotherapy	Part Time	Gus Murray	gus.murray@cit.ie	3 Semesters

Duration*

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- 3 Semesters is equivalent to one calendar year, normally September to August
- 4 Semesters is equivalent to two academic years
- 6 Semesters is equivalent to two calendar years

CIT boasts state-of-the-art buildings and laboratories with world-class facilities that enable postgraduate students to reach their full potential. CIT research staff and leaders have attracted funding for activities from industry and a wide range of National and European programmes. This means that in areas of CIT research interest and expertise, financial support in the form of payment of fees and student grants may be available to successful Masters and PhD programme applicants.

For information about postgraduate opportunities at CIT, contact the School of Graduate Studies. Please refer to Faculty/School/Department brochures for detailed information on the programmes available, areas of CIT research interest and expertise, and any special qualifying criteria. Postgraduate opportunities are advertised regularly in the local and national press and they are also posted on the Institute's website.

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