

## Maynooth University Graduate Research Academy





#### Phd Student Welcome and Induction

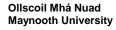
Prof Rachel Msetfi Vice President Research and Innovation



### Plan for the Day

Time:	Topic:	Speaker:
11.00am	Tea/Coffee	All
11,15am	Introduction and welcome	Professor Rachel Msetfi Vice President Research and Innovation
11,30am	The Department, Faculty, Graduate Research Academy, the University	Dr Robert Elmes Associate Dean of Research Faculty of Science and Engineering
	The shape of your PhD and your journey	Dr Anne O'Brien Associate Dean of Research Faculty of Arts, Celtic Studies and philosophy
12:00pm	Your PhD experience: - Common Challenges and how to overcome them Enhancing your PhD experience at MU	Professor Audra Mockaitis Associate Dean of Research Faculty of Social Sciences
	- Insights from PhD directors/coordinators	Dr Ciara Bradley PhD Student FSS Department of Applied Social Studies
12.40pm	Representation of doctoral students at MU	Sian Cowman Doctoral Postgraduate Representative

12.45pm	Lunch	All
1.15pm	Key skills and knowledge:	
	Ethics & Integrity	Dr Noreen Lacey, Research Development Officer
	Research Skills Development Programme	Dr Carol Barrett, Director of Research Development
	Library - Research Support Librarian	Ciarán Quinn, Research Support Librarian
2pm	Tea/Coffee	All
2.15pm	Funding your PhD (IRC and other external	Dr Martin O'Donoghue
	funders)	Research Development Officer
	Postgraduate Travel Fund	Lorraine Kane, Postgraduate Research Development Officer
2.35pm	General supports for students	Ciaran Coughlan
	Student Services	Student Support Officer
	International students support	Alison Cooke International Officer
2:55pm	Questions & Answers	All
3.30pm	Social event with returning PhD students and Supervisors	First floor, Mezzanine area, TSI



Graduate Research Academy



#### Graduate Research Student Handbook

- Important information
  - What to expect
  - Academic processes
- Key contacts

director.graduate.research@mu.ie

research@mu.ie

Lorraine Kane

Marie Murphy



#### Introduction

- Supervisor and supervisory team
  - What to expect
  - How it works
- Department
  - PG coordinator
  - Head of Department
- Faculty
  - Associate Deans for Research



# The Department, Faculty, Graduate Research Academy, the University

Dr Rob Elmes

Associate Dean of Research and Innovation Faculty of Science and Engineering

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#### The University





Tracing its origins to the foundation of the Royal College of St Patrick in 1795, Maynooth University was formally established as an autonomous university in 1997.

One of four constituent universities of the National University of Ireland



#### The University

Ranked # 1 in Ireland (85th in the world) in the latest Times Higher Education (THE) Best Young University Rankings.



Diverse student population

Fastest growing University in Ireland

Programmes at undergraduate, Master's and PhD level in the humanities, science and engineering, and social sciences.







#### The Faculties

There are three Faculties within which there are several Departments/Schools





#### The Faculties

There are also a range of interdisciplinary research institutes and centres of which many of you are members



Each Faculty is represented by an Associate Dean of Research and Innovation

Faculty of Arts, Celtic Studies & Philosophy: Dr Anne O'Brien

Faculty of Social Sciences: Prof. Audra Mockaitis

Faculty of Science & Engineering: Dr Rob Elmes







#### The Graduate Research Academy

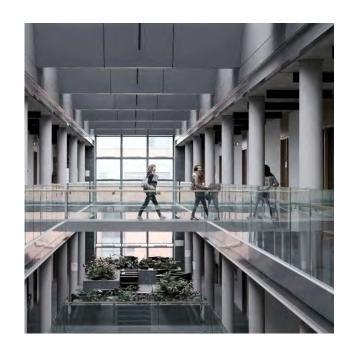
The Graduate Research Academy administers a range of support services and performs a developmental role in the expansion of postgraduate education and research at MU.

Provides a centralised source of information for prospective and current postgraduate research students.

Organisation of events aimed at fostering an inclusive, fun and successful postgraduate community

Provide overarching support to prospective and current research students for a range of development opportunities and mentoring.

A one-stop shop for advice and guidance on postgraduate research degrees, regulations and funding advice





#### The Graduate Research Academy

#### Research development skills programmes (RDSP)

Draws on the expertise of the Graduate School and Research Development Office, in conjunction with faculties, departments and professional units within the university, to support MU researchers in acquiring the skills and experience necessary to become independent academic researchers and to develop their careers in multiple settings beyond academia.

>	Professional Development & Employability - GST1 & GST2; GST11	> Grants/Funding - GST13 & GST8
>	Research Skills & Awareness - GST1 & GST2	> Innovation & Entrepreneurship - GST10; GST5 & GST6
>	Academic Writing Skills - GST3	> Teaching & Supervision - CTL1
>	Ethics & Integrity - GST15	> Additional Supports: Events, Training and Workshops

More from Dr Carol Barrett later



### The Graduate Research Academy



Overseeing the research student journey from application through to award and supporting and developing supervisors and examiners.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/graduate-research-academy">www.maynoothuniversity.ie/graduate-research-academy</a>

Or contact <a href="mailto:research@mu.ie">research@mu.ie</a>



### The Department

This is where you will spend most of your time

The bulk of your research work will be carried out here and many of you will also gain some teaching experience (lectures, labs, tutorials)

Each Department will have a Postgraduate handbook with specific information relating to that Department – equipment, safety, procedures



There will be a Postgraduate/Research Coordinator who will be your first point of contact if you need further info.

Many of you will also have a Departmental Induction Day(s) that will cover much of the inforelated to your journey in the Department



#### **The Department**

#### **Postgraduate Student Record of Activity (PSRA):**

A detailed record of the work you have carried out during your programme. Provides a a verified record of your progress throughout your training and must be maintained by you and monitored by your supervisor and supervisory committee. The upkeep of the PSRA is your responsibility.

#### **Your Supervisor:**

Your supervisor is a key figure in your research. Every supervisor will have their own style but most will propose research topics, oversee your progress, and direct your study. Your supervisor's role is not to dictate in detail but rather to advise, guide, and oversee your research.

#### **External Funding**





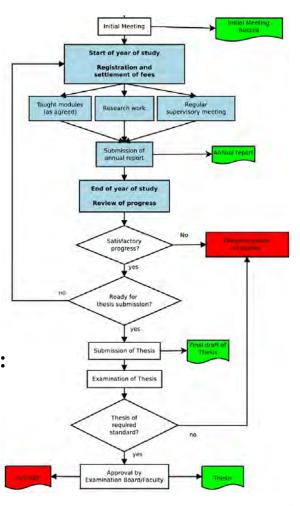
### The Department

**GSF1:** Initial Meeting Record Form

**GSF2:** Annual Progress form Progression within the PhD programme is subject to annual review (Annual Progression form – GF2), with a substantive review occurring before the end of year two for fulltime students and year three for part-time students.

Departmental Research Student Progress Committee (DRSPC): Review your progress at annual meetings and recommend

progression through the programme





### **Questions?**

Contact: robert.elmes@mu.ie



# The Shape of your PhD and PhD journey

Dr Anne O' Brien Associate Dean Research FACSP anne.obrien@mu.ie



### First steps on the PhD journey

- Already begun proposal, admissions, registration and induction.
- **Initial meeting with your supervisor-** taught modules, from proposal to plan.
- **Getting started -** work practices, feedback, frequency of meetings.
- **Building your support community** Department, Faculty or Institute events.



### What to expect en route- Year 1

- **Developing your research design** research question, literature and methodology.
- **Literature review** searching, finding, reading, writing and critically engaging.
- **Research methods** what methodology, why and how.
- **Progression** yearly process evaluating your work.
- **Funding** research design as a basis for an IRC application.



### Moving along... Years 2 & 3

- **Research activity** data gathering, analysis and thesis structure.
- Research process depends on subject area:
  - Arts and Humanities analysing texts or transcripts.
  - Social Science gathering and analysing quantitative and/or qualitative data
  - Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics experiments, or assembling complex datasets –collaboration in a laboratory.
- Supervision increased autonomy & expertise, ongoing...
- **Progression** yearly process of evaluating your work



### The Final leg... Year 4

- Research activity- Writing up
- **Dissemination of research** -seminars, research events and national or international conferences.
- **Publications** during the process or after depends on discipline
- **The viva voce -** the final assessment for a PhD, original research that you've generated, contribution to knowledge.
- Graduation another journey begins



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Roinn (Department Name) Department Name





#### Professor Audra I Mockaitis

Associate Dean of Research Faculty of Social Sciences

### Expectations

- Initial meeting
- Significant milestones:
  - Coursework
  - Annual progress reviews
    - Year 1 ...
    - Year 2 ...
    - Year 3....
- Procedures explained in the Graduate Research and Department handbooks

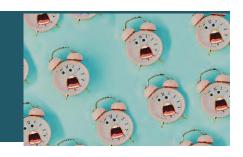


### Guidance



- The GRA Handbook your source for all policies and processes.
- Your department Handbook key to navigating department expectations and research culture.
- ^ Your department PhD coordinator your source for department expectations, opportunities and guidance.
- Your supervisor(s) your first source of support and guidance in your PhD research, writing, and professional development journey.





- Time management (3-to-4-year PhD)
  - Manage expectations (e.g., initial meeting record)
  - Set manageable deadlines and stick to them
  - Start writing early on (coursework and other requirements can be distracting)





### The supervisory relationship

- Keep records of all meetings (brief reports to supervisor)
- Managing expectations
- Communicate often (keep them in the loop)
- Manage timelines and deadlines (don't expect quick turnaround)
- Supervisor is a source of opportunity



- Personal challenges
  - Feeling isolated
  - Adjustment
  - Time management
  - Work-life balance





Academic challenges

Numerous demands

Productivity - deadlines

Steep learning curve

Developing a thick skin

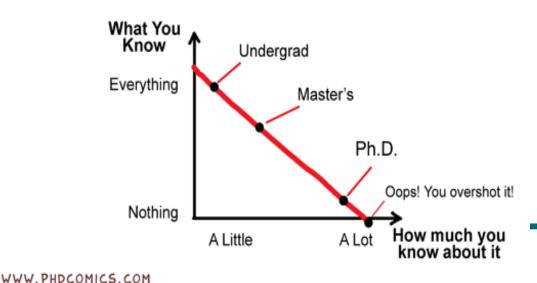




### Overcoming self-doubt

- Impostor syndrome
- (We all go through it.)

What You Know vs How much you know about it





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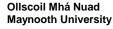
### The 2<sup>nd</sup> year slump



- Isolation
- Lack of motivation
- Procrastination
- Anxiety and burnout
- Feeling the pressure while still being lost in the weeds
- Reality sets in

It happens to most PhD students...





### Supports at MU



- Student support officer, Ciarán Coughlan. Email: student.support@mu.ie, ph
   (01) 474 7627. In the Student Services Centre
- Student Helpdesk: <u>studenthelp@mu.ie</u>. Livechat on webpage, in-person in the TSI building ground floor.
- Counselling service free of charge, available in the Student Services Centre.
   Open daily by appointment.
- MU to 50808 for free text support, available 24 hours. <u>www.textaboutit.ie</u>
- Financial support and advice: <u>student.budget@mu.ie</u>
- Sports and clubs. There are 32 clubs and societies, sports teams and facilities.
  - Fitness centre, weights room, racquetball court, snooker hall, tennis courts and sports pitches.



### The rewards

- Field-specific knowledge/ expertise
- Research skills
- Communication/presentation skills
- Teaching experience
- Time management
- Career development
- Grant writing
- Networking and collaboration



### Opportunities at MU

- Opportunities to make the most of your PhD experience:
- Workshops, seminars and courses (RDO, Institutes, Departments)
- Inter-university courses, lectures, seminars
- Enhancing your presentations skills (e.g., 3-minute thesis competition)
- Travel funding (conference attendance)
- Your home department and the PhD community





### My PhD Experience

Farhad Mohammed

3<sup>rd</sup> Year PhD Student

Chemistry Department Maynooth University





### **About Myself**



**Farhad Mohammed** 







Sept 2012 - Jun 2017 St. Finians College

**Sept 2017 – Jun 2021** BSc. General Science

Sept 2021 – Present PhD. Organic Chemistry

#### Interests \*



- Travelling
- Music
- **Fitness**
- **Sports**





Barber (7 years experience)





## My Journey towards a PhD



Hated Chemistry! (Almost failed LC exam)

No Growth spurt (Still waiting)





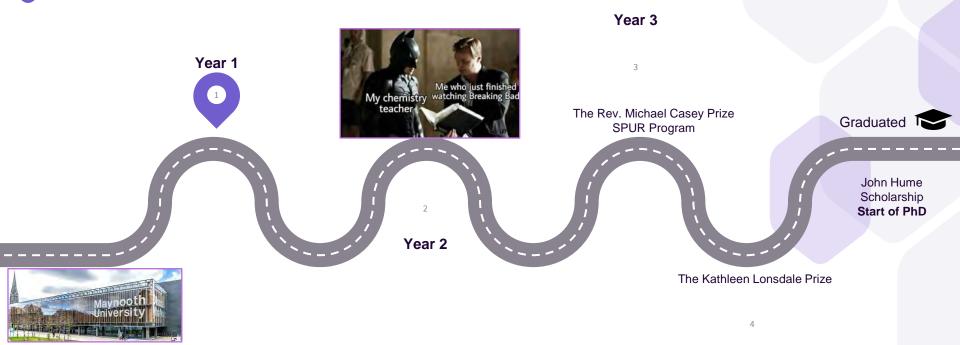
Love Chemistry Graduated (1.1) Chemistry PhD Student

Still waiting...





# My Journey towards a PhD



Year 4



## **My Research - Peptidomimetics**

 Peptidomimetics are like "molecular cousins" of peptides, and are designed to mimic the functions and overcome any limitations or disadvantages associated with peptide-based drugs

 We're trying to create new peptidomimetics as a basis for new medicines, helping to treat diseases or conditions more effectively.

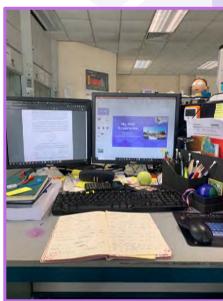


# My Second Home – The Lab









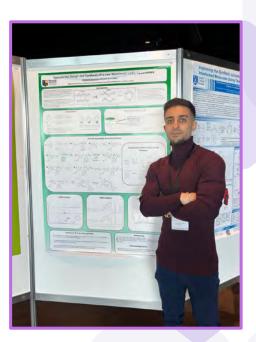


# Perks of a pHD

- I have attended and presented at 7 conferences throughout my PhD so far
- Reykjavik Iceland June 2023









### Why I chose Maynooth University



- > Research Excellence
- Research Facilities
- Strong academic community/ Cross-disciplinary collaborations
- > Supportive Environment
- Location/Campus





# Starting your PhD journey at Maynooth



**Passion:** Your deep love for your research topic and the subject matter should be a constant source of motivation.

**Purpose:** Remind yourself of the meaningful contribution your research can make to your field or society.

**Resilience:** Develop the ability to bounce back from setbacks and challenges, which are a natural part of research.

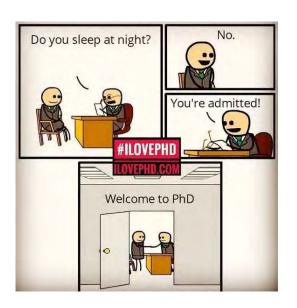
**Persistence:** Embrace a never-give-up attitude and persevere through challenges.

**Progress:** Celebrate small achievements and milestones to maintain a sense of progress.

**Legacy:** Consider how your research can contribute to the advancement of knowledge and inspire future generations.



# Starting your PhD journey at Maynooth



#### **Prioritize a Work-Life Balance**

**Create a Schedule:** Develop a structured weekly schedule that allocates time for research, coursework, personal activities, and relaxation.

**Set Clear Boundaries:** Establish distinct boundaries between work and personal life. Define specific work hours and stick to them.

**Take Breaks:** Regular breaks during your workday can improve focus and prevent burnout. Step away from your desk, stretch, or go for a short walk.

**Celebrate Achievements:** Acknowledge and celebrate both small and significant accomplishments to boost motivation and morale.

**Stay Socially Connected:** Maintain relationships with friends and family to ensure a strong support system outside of academia.

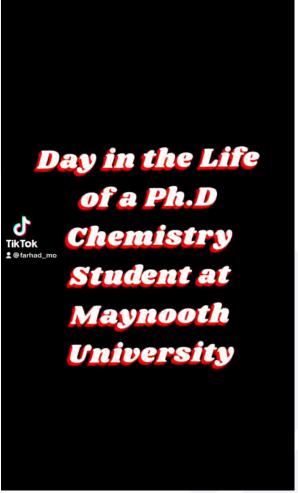
**Stay Healthy:** Prioritize physical health by maintaining a balanced diet, staying active, and getting enough sleep.













### **Thanks For Listening!**





# I hope you enjoy your Postgraduate studies at Maynooth University!





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# Research Degrees in Department of Applied Social Studies

PhD in Applied Social Studies
Doctor of Social Science
Dr Ciara Bradley

# Department Mission Statement

The Department of Applied Social Studies mission is

"to contribute to human rights, social justice and equality nationally and internationally through excellence in education for and development of the applied social professions, through innovative academic education and research in the social sciences and associated public contributions."

Key features of the ethos which the Department seeks to create are:

- a friendly, learning supportive environment and Department;
- active links with practitioners in community and youth work, social policy, social justice, equality and human rights;
- a strong focus on social justice issues.



# Doctoral level Study

- Commitment, sustained motivation/persistence, clarity of motivation
- Self directed abilities and ability to manage multiple demands of work, life and study
- Higher level academic reading, writing and referencing
- Critical analysis and engagement with programme learning
- Attendance at classes and participation/engagement in class
- Submission of assessments to a doctoral standard



### **Doctor of Social Science**

- Doctor of Social Science innovative 4 year 'practitioner led' doctorate
- Level 10 National Framework of Qualifications
- Combines taught plus research elements
- The programme is designed to provide advanced professional and research skills to qualified, experienced practitioners in lead roles in youth work, community work, social work, rights and social change focused organisations.
- Collegial, small group-based programme



# Doctor of Social Science: Programme Aim

demonstrate critical analysis and understanding of complex issues in theory, policy and practice

synthesise theory and practice in a unity of praxis

demonstrate advanced professional research and evaluation skills

take leadership in working towards realising rights in a variety of organisational and policy contexts

undertake, present and defend a rigorous doctoral thesis that contributes to the development of their discipline.



### **Doctor of Social Science**

#### YEAR 1

- Critical Debates in Practice
- Social science, the social professions and the foundations of social research
- Social Research Debates & Processes
- Governance, Organisations, Leadership and Change

#### YEAR 2

- Realising Rights: Social Policy Debates & Issues
- Participatory and Feminist Analysis and Research
- Research Design
- Professional Practice:
   Perspectives on Education,
   Development, Gender, Diversity
   and Conflict & Mediation Studies

One assessment per module appx 5,000 words or equivalent – e.g. essay, presentation, critical review

Assessment – successful/not successful, all assessment passed to proceed



# Years 3 & 4: Research & Thesis

Year 3

Year 4

- Research proposal
- Literature Review
- Research Design
- Ethics application
- Data Collection
- Progression presentation

- Data Collection
- Data Analysis
- Writing
- Final Thesis (appx 50,000 words)
- Viva Voce

Supervision for individual students every 4 – 6 weeks. Self directed focus.

### What are the areas of practice/research focus?

### **Practitioners**

Youth Work

Community Work

Social Work

Early Childhood Practice

Human Rights work Policy & Advocacy Work

### Research focus

- DSocSc students have undertaken original research in the areas of youth work policy, radical community work, participatory governance, LGBTI youth policy, community work with older men, Traveller activism
- Rights based approaches
- Social justice and equality focus
- Critical and feminist perspectives
- Methodologies: feminist, narrative, poststructural, participatory, qualitative, mixed methods, policy analysis



# PhD Programme

- Course Duration: 4 years full-time, 6 years part-time
- The final thesis of approx. 80,000 words is the only form of assessment for the award of the PhD.
- Specific research proposal/ focus
- Supervisor or two co- supervisors



Department Name

# PhD Programme

- Students must also accumulate a minimum of 30 and maximum of 90 taught credits as agreed with their Supervisor and Department.
- Students can choose from Departmental run modules, modules from a cognate discipline (Sociology, Geography) and Graduate Studies Modules as well as the Professional Certificate in Postgraduate Teaching & Learning.



# Differences: Entry

#### **DSoc**

- Schedule for application every two years
- at least an MA or equivalent level 9
   academic qualification, ideally in a social
   science discipline.
- Professional Practice: a minimum of five years post-qualifying professional experience in for example - youth work, community work, social work, social policy or rights and social change work, social professions practitioners working in Higher Education - a professional qualification in one of the social professions
- Interview

#### PhD

- Masters Level 9 2.1 or above
- High Quality Proposal
- Supervisor / topic match
- Interview



# Differences: Programme

Dsoc

PhD

- Group based learning
- Course work 120 ECTS
- Practice/ Professional Focus
- Thesis approx. 50,000
- Viva voce

- Individual study path
- Some course work
  - 30 ECTS 90 ECTS
- Thesis approx. 80,000
- Viva voce



### Advice .....

- Think about strategies to find your learning community
  - Take a module
  - Connects with other PhDs in your dept/ faculty
  - Go to seminars
  - Join a society
- Set up a structured work environment for yourself



### Advice .....

Read and Write

 Take opportunities to present, contribute, teach

 Communicate...especially when things are not going well



# Advice....use the supports available



Programme
Coordinator/Supervisor



Writing Centre



**Student Centre** 



**Health Services** 





### Contact

Doctor of Social Science Programme Co-ordinators

- Dr. Sinead McMahon
- Dr. Ciara Bradley

Email <u>DSocSc@mu.ie</u>

PhD Programme Co-ordinator

Dr. Ciara Bradley

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**MSU Doctoral** 

Postgraduate

Representative







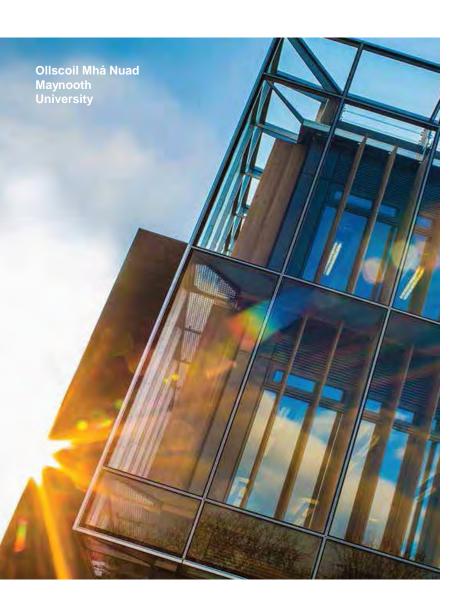
❖ Sian Cowman; doctoralrep@msu.ie



- Sit on MSU Executive, report to Student Senate; and within MU sit on various committees & councils
- Regular meet-ups with PhD researchers in collaboration with Postgraduate Workers' Organisation
- Instagram: @Maynooth\_SU / @PWO\_Maynooth



# lunch





### **Ethics and Integrity**

## Noreen Lacey BSc PhD CAPM®

Research Development Officer

Research Development Office

#### **Good Research Practice**

duties and obligations that researchers are expected to fulfil when conducting research

#### Research Ethics and Integrity Policies

MU Research Integrity Policy (26 April 2021)

Research Ethics Policy (Updated March 2020)

- Our responsibility
- > To you
- To the participants in your research

- Your responsibilities
- Best practice
- Ethical approval

- Legal obligations under data protection laws
- Rights of participants

Research is performed with the <u>highest research integrity</u> and <u>highest ethical standards are adhered to</u>

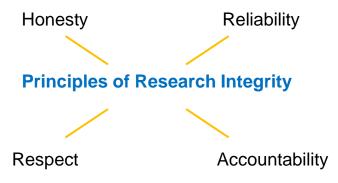


### **Research Integrity**



'relates to the performance of research to the highest standards of professionalism and rigour, and to the accuracy and integrity of the research record in publications and elsewhere'

Trust and confidence in the research results



#### o Plan ahead

- Experimental design
  - Duty of care
  - Conflict of interest
- Discuss with your peers

#### Publications

- Select appropriate sources
  - Authorship Ask permission

RESEARCH

Cite and quote correctly

#### Integrity of data - proof

- Numbers/Statistics/Images
- o 10 years storage
- Confidentiality



#### **Research Misconduct**

- Fabrication of data i.e. making up results and recording or reporting them.
- **Falsification of data** i.e. manipulating research, materials, equipment or processes.
- Plagiarism i.e. the appropriation of another person's ideas, processes, results, or words without giving appropriate credit.

# Who is checking you are following the rules.....

> 500-600 papers retracted annually



- > Publishers checks
  - 'Turnitin'
  - Background checks all authors/institutions/email addresses
  - Data analysis/image analysis
  - Database checks
- > Funding Agencies
  - Mandatory training
  - Integrity audits
  - Data provenance reviews



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Research misconduct <u>does not</u> include **honest error** or honest difference in the design, execution, interpretation or judgement in evaluating research methods or results or misconduct unrelated to the research process.

### **Legal Obligations**







### **General Data Protection Regulation 2018**

Data Protection Act 1988, 2003

Freedom of Information Act, 1997

#### **Check Laws in a Territory**

- Information technology rules (India)
- The Privacy Law (Australia)
- Personal data ordinance (Hong Kong)





### **General Data Protection Regulation 2018 (GDPR)**

Data Protection Act 1988, 2003







- Collect personalised data for a SPECIFIC purpose only
- Inform participants of how the data will be managed
- Inform participants of the limits to confidentiality
- Know what action to take if data is stolen
- Know what kind of data falls outside of the Data Protection Act?

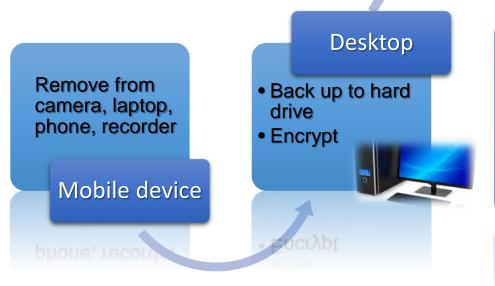
https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/data-protection

To assist staff in understanding the implications of GDPR an online training module is available. If you wish to access this training module please contact the Data Protection Officer: <a href="mailto:dataprotection@mu.ie">dataprotection@mu.ie</a>

Ollscoil Mhá Nuad Maynooth University Under the GDPR, organisations in **breach** of the Regulation can be **fined** up to 2% of their annual global turnover or €10 million, whichever is greater, for lesser **breaches** 



#### **Data Protection Advice**



- Sign and date & Lock it up
- Remove identifiers use a 'key'
- Keep 'key' and data separa

Paper

Keep

separa

use a 'key

Anonymise



# **Importance of Research Integrity**

Science Europe<sup>1</sup> lists seven reasons as to why research integrity is important:

- Safeguards the foundations of science and scholarship
- 2. Maintains public confidence in research and research evidence
- Underpins continued public investment in research

- 4. Protects the reputation and careers of researchers
- 5. Prevents adverse impact on patients and the public
- 6. Promotes economic advancement
- 7. Prevents avoidable waste of resources





 $<sup>^{1} \</sup> https://www.scienceeurope.org/our-resources/seven-reasons-to-care-about-integrity-in-research/? from previous = 1310$ 

#### **Research Integrity training**



Master your professional responsibilities as a researcher in Ireland

Ideal for researchers across all major disciplines

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Core Modules
Good Research Conduct
Irresponsible Research Practices
Planning Your Research
Managing and Recording Your Research
Data Selection, Analysis and Presentation
Scholarly Publication
Professional Responsibilities
Communication, Social Responsibility and Impact

Specialist Modules

Conflicts of Interest

Research Involving Human Participants

The Care and Use of Animals in Research
Intellectual Property

Export Controls



#### **Research Ethics**

- Wider context
- Effects of your research on others
  - > Human participants
  - > Animals

& you









## The rights of your participants



- Dignity
- Privacy

**Rights** 



- Welfare
- Minimise harm
- Cultural sensitivities

**Protect** 



- Fully briefed
- Manner of consent
- Autonomy

Consent







## The rights of animals

- Health Products Regulatory Authority
- Animal Welfare Body

Regulation



- Replace animals
- Reduce number
- Refine practices

3R's



- Individual
- Project authorisations

**Authorisation** 



Bioresources@mu.ie





#### **Best Rule of Thumb**



#### What are the risks associated with the research/outputs?

- Are there any risks to the participants
- To the wider community/society
- To you



#### Mitigation against risk

- Detail potential routes to mitigate against each risk
- If you can't mitigate against a particular risk to suitable level - what are the benefits, do they make it worth taking such a risk?

#### What are the benefits of the research?

- Are the benefits to you
- To your participants
- To the wider community/society

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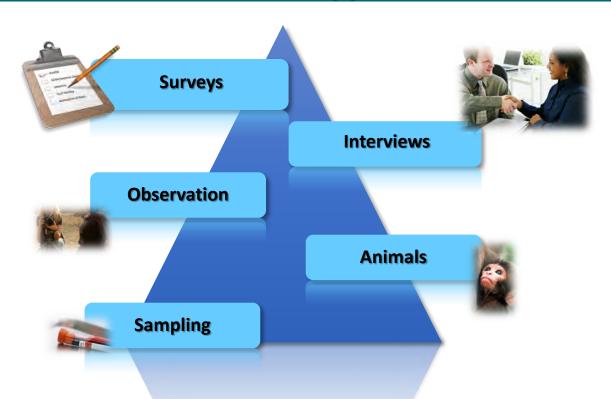
#### **Participant Select**

- Are you workin
- Conflict of inte
- What specific d vulnerability?

Maynooth If there are no benefits you have to question University why?

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# When do I need approval?





## **Maynooth University Committees**



Biomedical and Life Sciences Ethics Sub Committee



**MU Ethics Committee** 

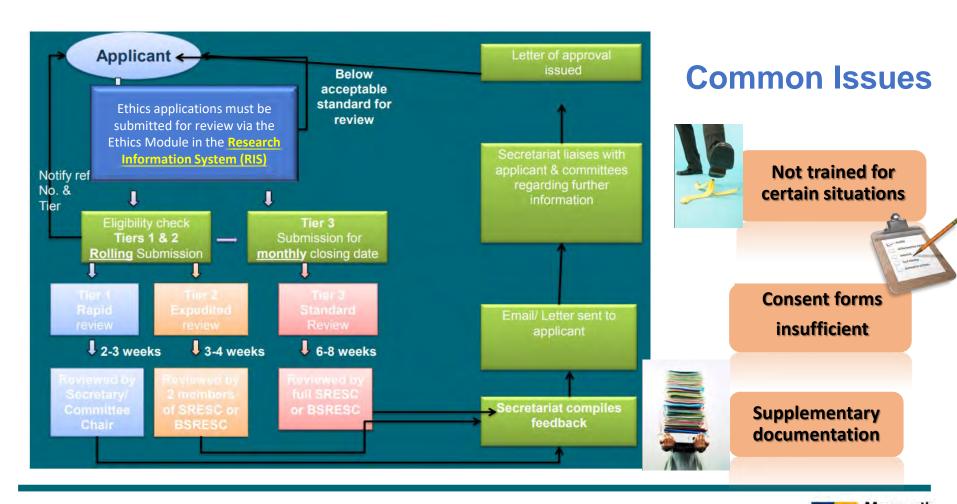
Rolling & Monthly reviews



Social Research
Ethics Sub
Committee

https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/research/research-development-office/research-ethics







- Previous committee members
- Other members of staff
- Get a friend in a different field
- research.ethics@mu.ie



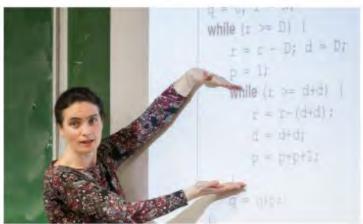
# Thanks for your attention













# Structured Research Programme

As part of the Structured Research Programme, education and training is provided through a variety of transferable skills modules along with subject specific modules & research project.

#### Suite of modules

- Generic Skills modules GST
- Flexible (or subject specific) modules – FM
- 3. Transferrable modules outside of your department

#### Credits Required

For PhD students, the minimum/maximum number of credits required are given in table 3.

	Minimum Credits	Maximum Credits
If a student has completed a four-year undergraduate programme	30 (15 Transferable & 15 Subject Specific)	90 Credits
If a student has completed a three-year undergraduate programme and Taught Masters	30 (15 Transferable & 15 Subject Specific)	90 Credits
If a student has completed a three-year undergraduate programme	60 (at least 15 Transferable & 15 Subject Specific)	90 Credits

Table 3: Normal, minimum and maximum credits required for a PhD programme

For Research Masters students, the minimum/maximum number of credits required are given in the table below:

	Minimum Credits	Maximum Credits	
If a student has completed a four-year undergraduate programme	10 (5 Transferable & 5 Subject Specific)	15 Credits	

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#### **For Current Students**

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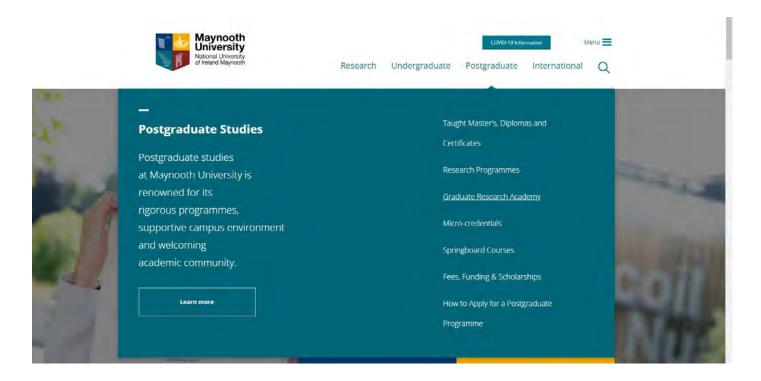
# Things to note:

- What is the best time to take the modules?
- Each module is 5 credits
- Some modules have more than 1 session
- Some sessions run in each semester other only run once a year
- Modules can consist of workshops, lectures, reflective journals, grant/ethics applications
- Complete all aspect of a particular module in one academic year or amend your registration on student web





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# **Research Students Library Induction**

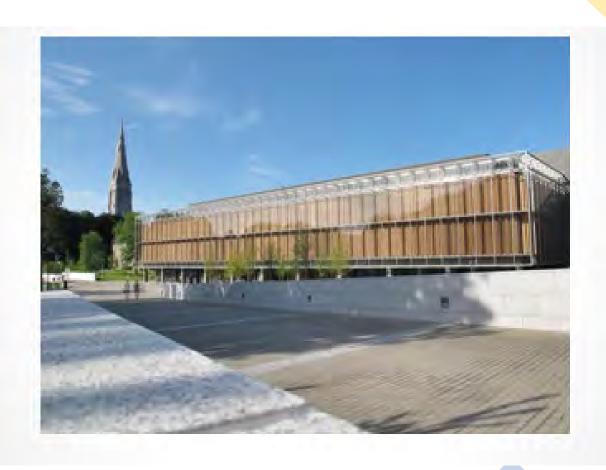
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# Research Students Library Induction

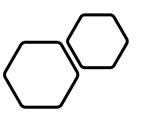
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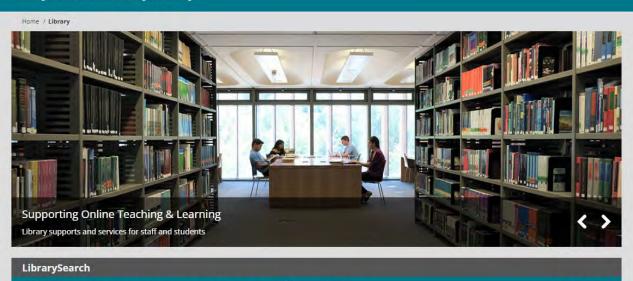
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#### **Maynooth University Library**



• <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library</a>

**Using the Library** 

Find out about all the services and resources available for students and

Collections

Search the library for books articles and more Type your search here

Explore the full range of our collections, from manuscript and print

**Guides & Tutorials** 

Guides for each subject, research help, LIST information skills classes in the Events & Exhibitions

Search -

Browse the variety of our exhibitions, from the physical display to virtual and

# Physical Library

Access using your Student Card

Self-Issue/Return (+Returns box outside) or go to the Library desk

Print Books/Journals/Maps & DVD's/Microfiche

Group Study Rooms (Flat screen & Whiteboard) Level 2, Bookable online https://nuim.libcal.com/spaces?lid=3102

Quiet Study area (Top Floor)

PG Researcher Room (Includes seminar Room) Access rights need to be added to your student card. Top floor.

Flexible Learning Space (Whiteboard Room) Level 1

Training Rooms available when not in use

PC's to use/Laptops to borrow and Wireless

Printing/Photocopying/Scanning on each floor. 3D printing on request (maker space on level 1) Scanning is free if you have credit on your Student Card! ( <a href="https://mycard.maynoothuniversity.ie/">https://mycard.maynoothuniversity.ie/</a>)

Information Services Desk & Computer Help Desk on Ground Floor

Coffee shop!

Student Book Purchase Order Form https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library/using-library/student-book-purchase-order-form

Click & Collect Book Retrieval Contact https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library/using-library/book-request-form

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Inter Library Loans for material the Library doesn't have <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library/using-library/inter-library-loans">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library/using-library/inter-library-loans</a>

#### Borrowing

Most items are available for loan for a three-week period, known as a standard loan. More heavily used items are restricted to one-week loans, two-day loans or one-day loans. Week and day loans are identified by labels while standard loans have no label. The table below lists how many items can be borrowed from each loan type, by category of student.

#### **Undergraduates & Higher Diploma**

	Standard Loan	AV Items	Week Loan	2 Day Loan	1 Day Loan
Number	6	3	4	1	1
Duration	3 weeks	3 weeks	1 week	48 hours	24 hours

#### Postgraduate Diploma & Taught Postgraduates

	Standard Loan	AV Items	Week Loans	2 Day Loan	1 Day Loan
Number	8	6	4	1	1
Duration	3 weeks	3 weeks	1 week	48 hours	24 hours

#### Research Postgraduates & Staff

	Standard Loan	AV Items	Week Loans	2 Day Loan	1 Day Loan
Number	20	10	4	1	1
Duration	Semester	3 weeks	1 week	48 hours	24 hours

<sup>\*</sup>Please note theses and store items borrowed from the desk are for 3 hour loan and are only for use within the library. Self-service laptops are a 3 hour loan (for use within the library) and will accrue a fine of €1 per hour over the borrowing period.

Taught and research postgraduates can also borrow print journals to a maximum of five bound volumes at any one time for a three-week period. Unbound volumes or journals published before 1900 may not be borrowed.

All library material on loan may be recalled at any time which may require the return of an item sooner than the original due date. See also Recalls, Overdues and Fines in the section below.

# Library Resources Physical & Online

JPII Library (General Collection) Print Books & Journals & Thesis & Audio VisualManuscript & Archival Collections on Microfilm

MU Library Special Collections (post 1851)Includes the College Collection & Digital Collections

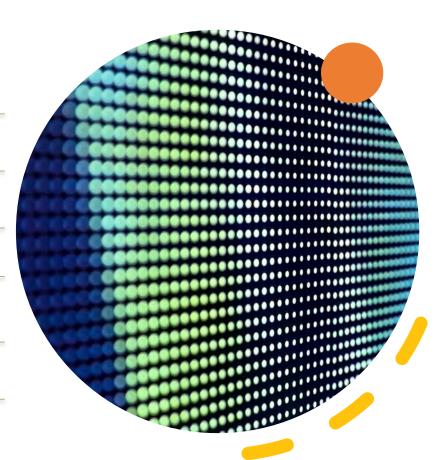
OPW MU Archive & Research Centre at Castletown House

Russell Library (Pre 1851) Early Printed Books & Manuscripts. Located in SPCM.

Databases/e-Journals/e-Books. Includes Subject, Primary Source & Citation Databases, Journal Collections, Newspapers, Reference collections, Dissertations . Full A-Z on the Library Homepage

MURAL Institutional Repository (e-Prints s & e-Theses) Institutional Mandate since 2011

Access to other Libraries ALCID & SCONUL & Letters of Introduction to other Libraries



Opening Hours
Check out the Library
homepage. Times vary
through the year.
12pm from W/B 25th
Sept.



Library Services

Learning Resources

Research Support

All Guides A-Z

#### **Guides & Tutorials**







### **Guides & Tutorials**

Useful online guides & tutorials to help you use Maynooth University Library resources effectively. Contact us for further help.









Guides to MU Library Services & Resources

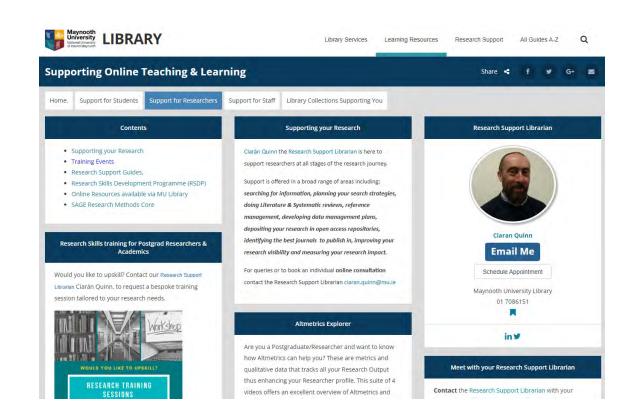




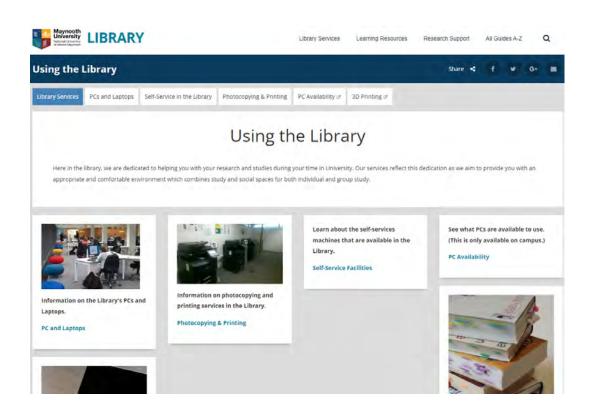




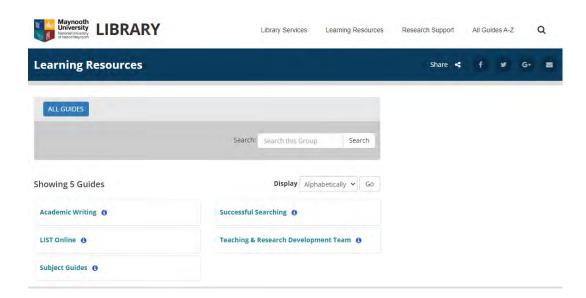
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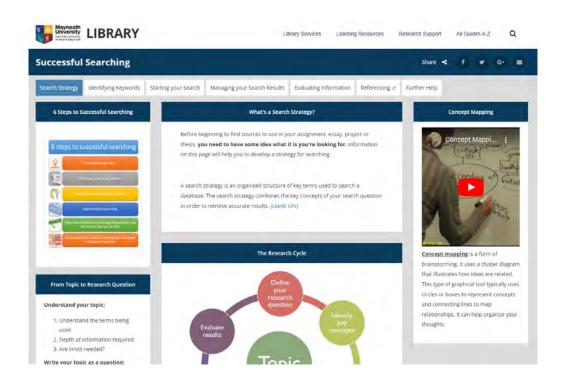
Using the Library



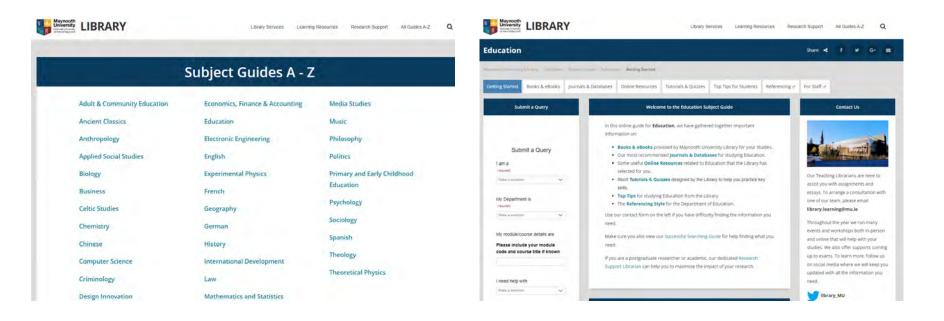
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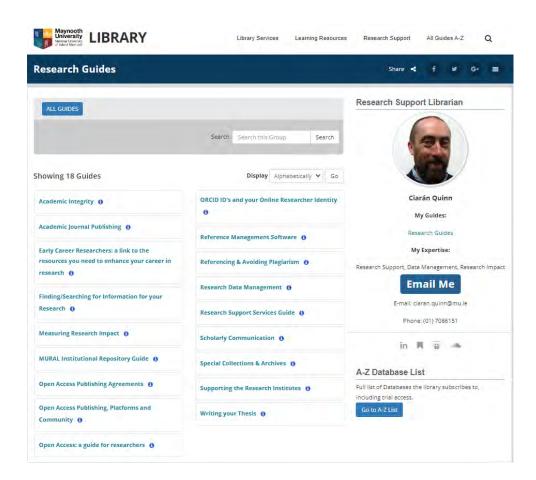
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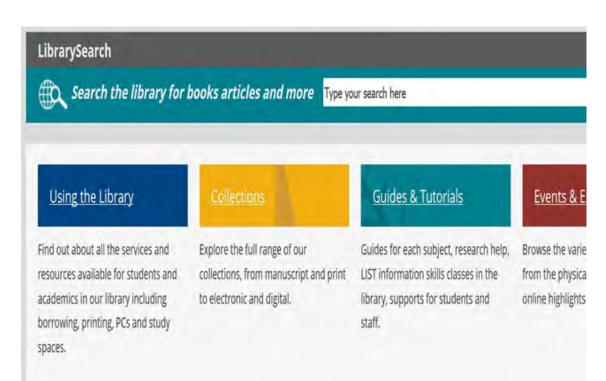
# Subject Guides



# Research Support Guides



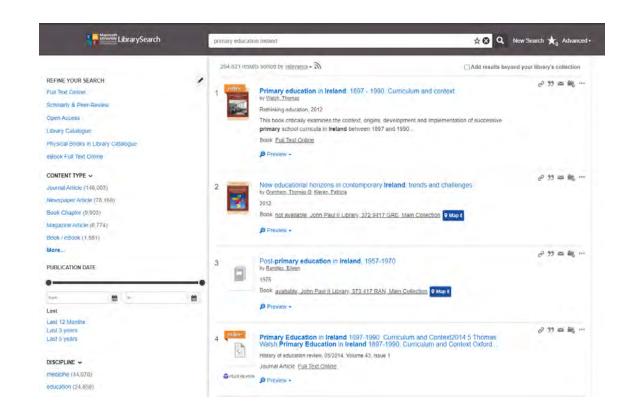
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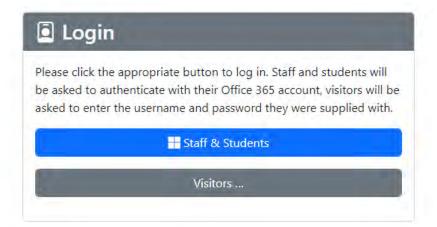
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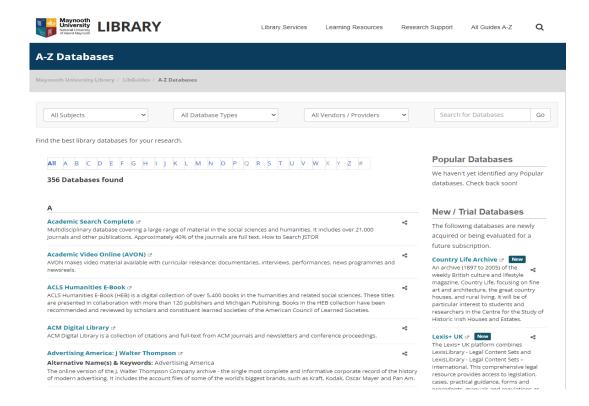
# Access to Electronic Resources

<u>Maynooth University</u> and <u>St. Patrick's Pontifical University</u> staff and students.

Visitors to the Maynooth University Library can also request access.



Library
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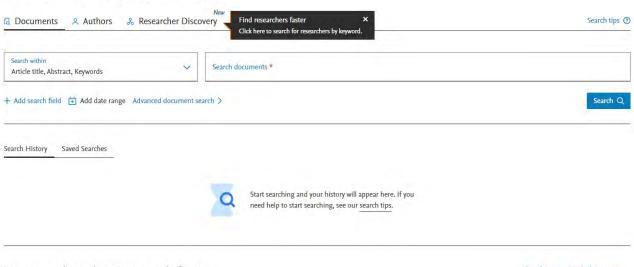


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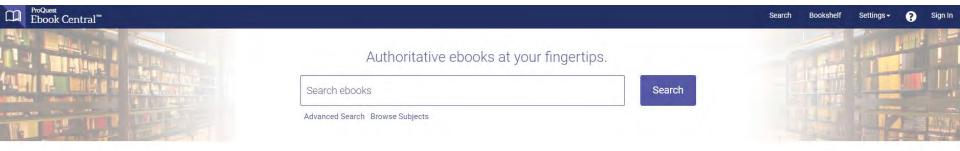
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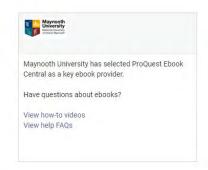


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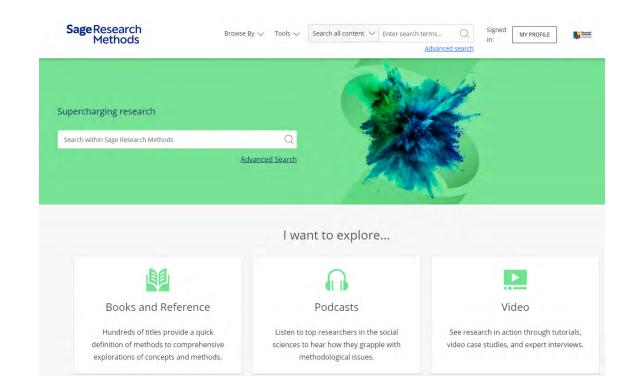






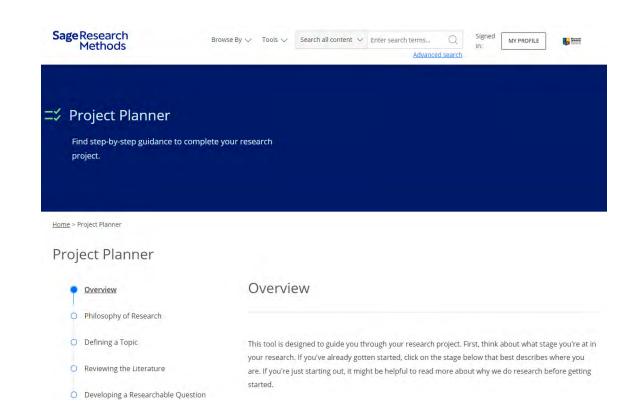


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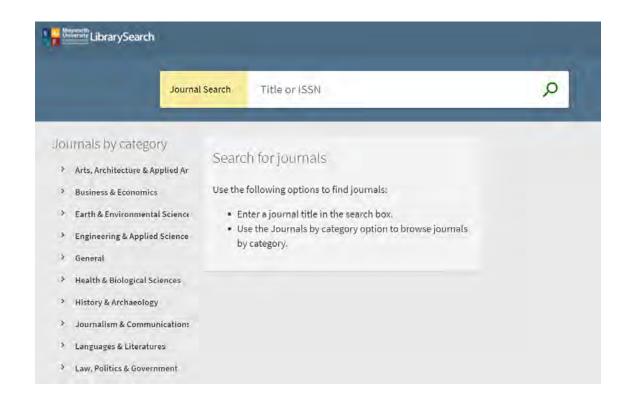


Project Planner
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Planning your Topic, Literature Reviews, Developing Research Questions, Research Design, Data Collection etc.



Journal Search via Quick Links or the Collections Tab



#### <u>MURAL</u>

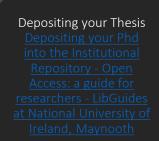
MU: PhD's, Research Masters & Academic Publications







Faculty of Social Sciences



Regulations for Postgraduate Research Degrees Maynooth University Graduate Studies
Office

#### Deposit of thesis and eThesis

"A copy of the thesis plus an electronic copy (on CD/DVD) of one PDF file mirroring the hardbound thesis will be lodged in the university library and in the institutional eTheses archive and made available to readers." ........"Should the student wish to withhold permission for the use of her/his work, a written application must be made to the Dean of Graduate Studies at the time of submission of the thesis for examination. " (Page 24)

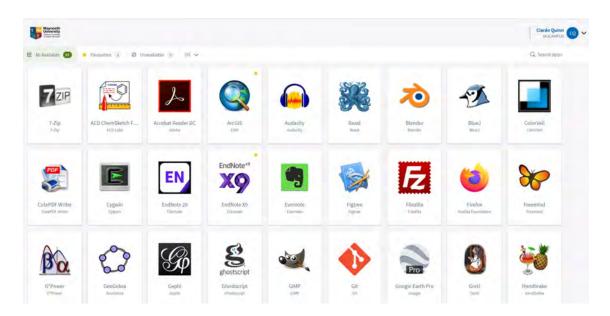
Reference Management Software



MU subscribes to EndNote (Desktop & Online Versions) which can be downloaded from <a href="AppsAnywhere">AppsAnywhere</a>

Save References, create bibliographies & in text citations/footnotes in your papers





### Research Skills Development Programme

From the classroom to the workplace, supporting the development of the early career researcher

The aim of the MU Research Skills Development Programme (RSDP) is to draw on the expertise of the Graduate School and Research Development Office, in conjunction with faculties, departments and professional units within the university, to support MU researchers in acquiring the skills and experience necessary to become independent academic researchers and to develop their careers in multiple settings beyond academia. The programme is broken down into seven thematic areas. Depending on the nature of the training, sessions are open to research students, post-doctoral researchers and academic staff.

Click on the tabs below to browse training opportunities for:

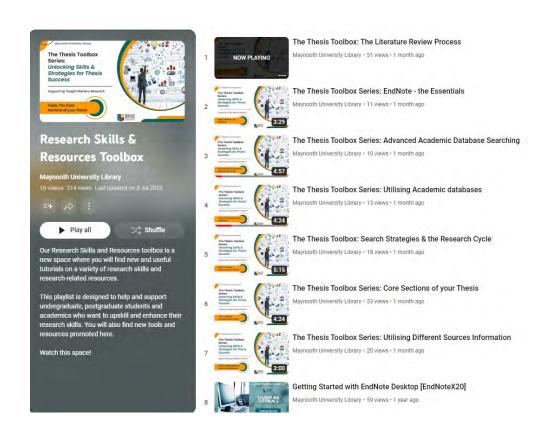
- Research Students
- Academic staff and Post-Doctoral Researchers

Timetabling information can be found in the links below. Please email <a href="mailto:research@mu.ie">research@mu.ie</a> for further information on the programme.

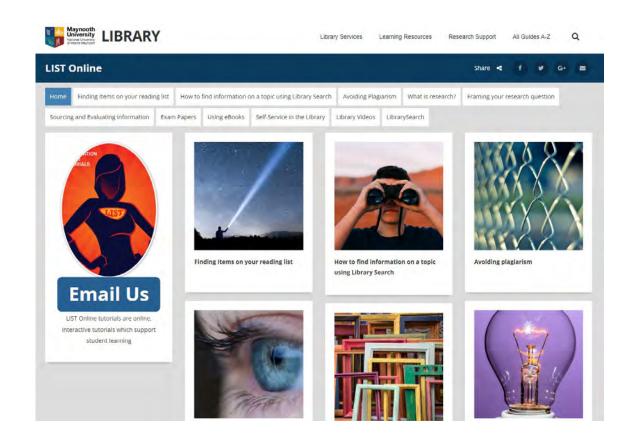
Title ofCourse/Training	Associated Module	Workshop Dates	Times	Location
Session 1: Reflective Writing & Appraisal of Skills	GST1 & GST 2	Wednesday 1st November 2023	11.30am- 1pm	Training Room D, MU Library First Floor
Session 2: Finding Information for your Research	GST2	Wednesday 8th November 2023	10am-1pm	Training Room D, MU Library First Floor
Session 3: Reference Management Software & Avoiding Plagiarism	GST2	Thursday 9th November 2023	10am-1pm	Training Room D, MU Library First Floor
Session 4: Doing Literature Reviews: What You Need To Know	GST2	Wednesday 15th November 2023	10am-1pm	Training Room D, MU Library First Floor
Session 5: Research Data Management	GST2	Wednesday 22nd November 2023	10am-1pm	Training Room D, MU Library First Floor
Session 6: Publishing in Academic Journals: Finding the Right Journal for your	GST2	Wednesday 29th November 2023	10am-1pm	Training Room D, MU Library First Floor

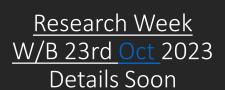
## Research Skills (GST2)





# Library Information Skills Tutorials





#### Research Week 2022

Maynooth researchers are taking on some of the most pressing challenges facing society today. From **24-27 October 2022**, the University invites the public in to hear about and engage with the rich body of multi-disciplinary research being undertaken right here in Maynooth, and the impact those discoveries are having across the globe.



This week-long series of events is a chance to be enlightened and inspired by MU's captivating and thought-provoking academics (and their students!) across our three faculties: <a href="Science and Engineering">Science and Engineering</a> Arts. Philosophy and Celtic Studies: and <a href="Sciences">Sciences</a> as they open up their world to the public and to colleagues across the campus.

View the full Research Week 2022 schedule here or download the brochure

#### Seachtain Taighde 2022

Tá aghaidh á thabhairt ag taighdeoirí Mhá Nuad ar chuid de na dúshláin is práinní inár tsochaí inniu. Ó 24-27 Deireadh Fómhair 2022, tugann an Oilscoil cuireadh don phobal chun teacht isteach - chun doisint agus chun teacht ar thuiscint faoin saibhreas de thaighde ildhiscipíineach atá ag dul ar aghaidh anseo ar champas Mhá Nuad agus faoin tionchar atá ag an taighde céanna timpeall na cruinne. S'éard atá i gceist leis an tsraith imeachtaí seo a mhairídh seachtain iomlán ná deis iontach léargas agus inspioráid a bhaint amach duit féin trí bheith ag éisteacht lenár n-acadóirí (agus a gcuid mac léinn) a chuirídh faoi dhraíocht agus ar an eolas thú, chomh maith le lón machnaimh a thabhairt duit. Is lenár ndámha ar fad a bhaineann na hacadóirí agus na mic léinn seo: Eolaíocht agus innealtóireacht; Ealaíona, Fealsúnacht agus an Léann Ceilteach; agus na hEolaíochtaí Sóisialta, agus a dtaighde á chur faoi bhráid an phobail agus a gcomhgleacaithe acu go léir.



# Lunchtime Research Seminars in October/November 13:15-13:45

- 19<sup>th</sup> Oct: Searching MU Library Resources: A quick guide for new researchers
- 26<sup>th</sup> Oct: Advanced Academic Database Searching
- 2<sup>nd</sup> November: Using Reference Management Tools (EndNote) to save your references, create in text citations/footnotes and generate bibliographies in your referencing style of choice.
- **9th November:** Creating Research Data Management Plans: The tools available to help you
- 16<sup>th</sup> November: Academic Publishing: identifying the best journal to publish your research output in
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November: Measuring your Research Impact using citations & Altmetrics: A quick guide
- **30**<sup>th</sup> **November**: Open Access Publishing: The Options

# What Next?



Book a consultation with the Research Support Librarian!



Familiarize yourself with the Library



Arrange a Library tour!



ciaran.quinn@mu.ie or library.information@mu.ie

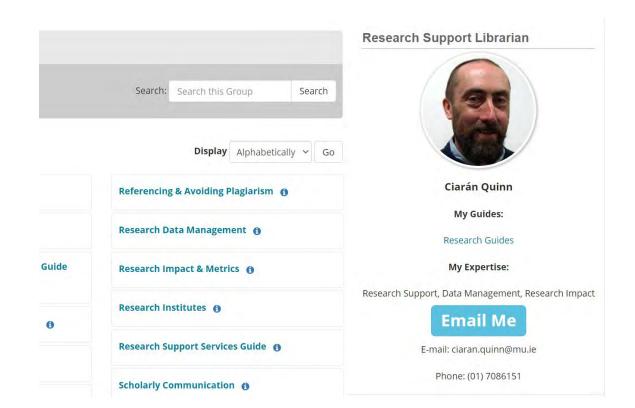


**Contact us using Chat** or Submit a query via the Subject Guides



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## **Funding options**

- IRC GOI Postgraduate Scholarship
- IUA
- Travel grants
- After PhD



## Why apply?

- 1. Funding in your name.
- 2. Funds any discipline and any nationality.
- Prestigious.
- Can apply even if you have already started your PhD/Research Masters
- 5. Those who have already started PhD have an advantage.



## Value of award:

€19,000 stipend

€5,750 towards fees (remainder waived)

€3,250 towards research costs



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Occurs annually with a deadline usually in October (Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 2023).

Supervisor form due 19<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023.

Call outcome in April 2024.

You would start 1<sup>st</sup> September the following year.



Evaluation criteria and detail	Maximum marks	
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Quality of infrastructure and facilities provided by the institution		
<ul> <li>Match between the applicant, supervisor(s) and the host instit</li> </ul>	ution	



# **NUI** scholarships

## More intermittent

## **Examples include:**

- NUI traveling doctoral fellowship (€18,500 in stipend and €8,000 for fees) (must be NUI illumni).
- NUI Scholarship (€2,000) and prize (€1,000) for education to do a professional masters in education must be done in NUI.



# Travel grant

Grants beget grants.

These can be used to travel:

- to a conference.
- to visit another lab to gain new experience.

Often offered by societies or in small calls – talk to you supervisor

Research Professional



# Beyond PhD

It can take up to a year to apply for a grant, so need to think about it before the end of your PhD.

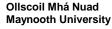
The IRC GOI Postdoctoral Fellowship.

Marie Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship.



## **Postgraduate Travel Fund**

Graduate Research Academy
Lorraine Kane
Postgraduate Research Development Officer



Roinn: Graduate Research Academy



## **Postgraduate Research Travel Fund**

The Postgraduate Research Travel Fund is designed to support Maynooth University research students, who wish to travel outside of the Republic of Ireland, to present a paper or poster at a conference, or take a module in another University as part of their research programme.

- How to Apply
- Terms and Conditions

https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/research/research-development-office/postgraduate-postdoctoral-funding

Queries to: <a href="mailto:fundedresearchstudent@mu.ie">fundedresearchstudent@mu.ie</a>



## **Summary of PG Travel Fund Supports**

Presenting a Paper outside of the Republic of Ireland

UK €300

Mainland Europe €400

USA / Other €600

Presenting a Poster outside of the Republic of Ireland

UK €150

Mainland Europe €200

USA / Other €300

Taking a Module in a University outside of the Republic of Ireland

UK €300

Mainland Europe €400

USA / Other €600





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## **Student Services**

Support Available to you as a registered student

Ciarán Coughlan – Student Support Officer

### **Locations**

#### Student Services Centre

- Student Health Centre
- Counselling Service
- Student Support Officer
- Student Advisory
- Student Budgeting Advisor
- Student Support Hub
- maynoothstudentpad.ie

#### **Arts Building**

- Healthy Campus
- Student Helpdesk

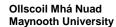
#### **TSI Building**

Student Helpdesk

#### Crèche

Rye Hall





#### Counselling

Student Helpdesk

**Student Support** Division

Student Health Centre

**Healthy Campus** 

Crèche

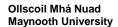
One-stop-shop for all your questions. Two on campus and one virtual desk.

Purpose build childcare

facility catering for children

**Student Services** 

Provides one-to-one



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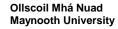
# Speak Out Reporting Tool

Speak Out is an online anonymous reporting tool available to staff and students to disclose incidents of bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, discrimination, hate crime, coercive behaviour/control, stalking, assault, sexual harassmen sexual assault, and rape.

It is important to remember that as the Speak Out reporting tool is completely anonymous, there is no way of identify or contacting any member of the university community who uses the tool.



# How to reach us Drop in clinics Info sessions Workshops Visit: Email: Phone: maynoothuniversity.ie/stud 01 708 4729 student.services@mu.ie ent-services





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#### **International Office**

Alison Cooke

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#### **International Office**

We are currently an office of 12 staff members and 2 student interns. We look after various tasks in relation to full degree UG & PG students from outside Europe, Erasmus & Study Abroad (incoming & outgoing) students, Summer Schools, and more!





#### Where?

Front Office, Top floor, Humanity House, South Campus











- Registering with Immigration Services
- Opening an Irish Bank Account
- Getting a Personal Public Services Number (PPSN)





# Making your Immigration appointment

#### You must register with Immigration even if you do not require an entry visa

- Students living in Maynooth, Celbridge, Kilcock or Leixlip will attend the MU organised Immigration appointments in Leixlip Garda (police) Station
- Appointments will be offered on Moodle in late September / early October
- Students living in **Dublin city & county** will attend Dublin City Centre Office <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/burgh-quay-appointments/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/burgh-quay-appointments/</a>
- or their nearest Garda (police) Station
   <a href="https://www.garda.ie/en/contact-us/station-directory/">https://www.garda.ie/en/contact-us/station-directory/</a>



Department Name

# **Location – Leixlip**

**Leixlip Garda Station** is approximately **10-15 minutes** from Maynooth by bus or train. Please allow additional time to walk to the bus stop or train station from your accommodation.

**BUS** No C3 from Main Street Maynooth. Buses are every 30 minutes.

Timetable HERE

**TRAIN** from Maynooth to Leixlip Louisa Bridge (one stop). Trains are every 30 minutes. Timetable <u>HERE</u>

Once you are fully registered with the university, you can get your Student Leap Card (travel card) in the Students Union on the North Campus: <a href="https://www.msu.ie/studentcentre/studentleapcard/">https://www.msu.ie/studentcentre/studentleapcard/</a>
Your Leap Card gives you discounted student fares on public transport.







#### **Location – Dublin**

If you are <u>living in Dublin city or county</u>, you must attend the <u>Irish</u>
Immigration Service offices located at 13-14 Burgh Quay, Dublin 2, DO2
XK70. You can make your appointment on this website:
<a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/</a>

Burgh Quay is located in Dublin City Centre, close to O'Connell Bridge. Same bus/train connections as for Leixlip





# **Required Documentation**

- The biometric page of your current valid passport(s). This is the page that shows your photograph, passport number and date of birth.
- Proof of your enrolment on a full-time higher education course listed on the ILEP. Note: Document delivered directly to Leixlip Garda Station on your behalf. All other students request it by emailing: international.office@mu.ie
- Proof that you have paid college/university fees.
   Note: Document delivered directly to Leixlip Garda Station on your behalf. All other students request it by emailing:

   international.office@mu.ie
- Private Medical Insurance or Travel Insurance with medical cover for accidents and medical incidents including hospital stays in Ireland, valid for 12 months, or if less than 12 months for the duration of your stay.



# **Financial Documents Required**

- You must show evidence that you have immediate access to at least €10,000.
- You must also demonstrate that you and/or your sponsor(s) have ready access to at least €10,000 for each subsequent year of your studies in addition to course fees for each of those years.
- Proof of your scholarship funding (if applicable).
- You must show you have sufficient funds to support your stay in Ireland without recourse to public funds, or the reliance on casual employment.
- PLEASE ENSURE YOU READ THE ADDITONAL FINANCES INFORMATION <u>HERE:</u>
   <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/information-on-student-finances/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/information-on-student-finances/</a>



#### **Irish Residence Permit Card**

After successful registration you will be issued with an IRP (Irish Residence Permit) card. You will be advised of the collection date from the International Office (if applying via Leixlip Garda station).







#### **Irish Residence Permit Card**

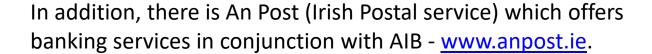
The IRP card is your proof of registration with the Irish Immigration services - it is <a href="mailto:an offence">an offence</a> not to carry it on your person at all times.

If you lose your IRP card or if it is stolen, you should report the loss or theft to the nearest Garda (Police) station. You will be given an incident number. Please bring this incident number to the immigration officer and they will provide you with a free replacement IRP. If you are abroad, you should report it to the nearest police station and get a similar report. You should then go to your local immigration registration office with the lost/stolen report and your passport to get a replacement IRP card.



# **Opening an Irish Bank Account**

- •Allied Irish Bank <u>www.aib.ie</u>
- •Bank of Ireland www.bankofireland.com
- •Permanent TSB <u>www.permanenttsb.ie</u>





Banks are usually open Monday to Friday from 10am until 4pm. An Post (the Post Office) is open 9 am to 5.30 pm Monday to Friday and from 9 am to 1 pm on Saturdays.



### **Opening an Irish Bank Account**

It is not possible to open an Irish bank account without proof of residency in Ireland. You will usually need to bring the following with you to the bank:

- Passport or Identity card
- Study address in Ireland
- •Letter from the International Office stating your Irish address
- Student card

Check with your chosen bank if additional documents or information will be required in order to open an account.



# **PPS Number (PPSN)**



Your Personal Public Service Number (PPSN) is a unique reference number that is needed for all dealings with public service agencies, including Revenue.

Employers will ask you for this number.

Applications can be made online:

https://www.gov.ie/en/service/12e6de-get-a-personal-public-service-pps-number/

More information: <a href="https://www.citizensinformation.ie/en/social-welfare/irish-social-welfare-system/personal-public-service-number/">https://www.citizensinformation.ie/en/social-welfare/irish-social-welfare-system/personal-public-service-number/</a>



# **Eligibility to Work**

Non-EU/EEA citizens registered as full-time students at an Irish university/college are eligible to work part-time (up to 20 hours per week) in semester.

- Full-time work (up to 40 hours per week) is permitted from Dec 15<sup>th</sup> – Jan 15<sup>th</sup> and from June to September.
- Part-time work is an additional income, it is not sufficient to cover all living & personal costs
- Part-time jobs are advertised on notice boards in the Students' Union, in newspapers and online. On-campus job opportunities are advertised on <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campus-life/campus-job-opportunites">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campus-life/campus-job-opportunites</a>









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