

# Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Financial Technology & Innovation

## Why study Sustainable Financial Technology & Innovation?

As the market demands more sustainable business practices, and as regulators impose increasingly stringent sustainability targets, an understanding of how to ensure long-term business and financial activity is now an essential attribute for anyone working in a legal, financial or policy profession. The goal of this programme is to train supply side experts that can serve a global market from Ireland, making Ireland an attractive place for sustainable finance training and development. Students will explore current trends in sustainable finance, the environmental, social and sustainability risks facing businesses and the use of sustainable finance to address and alleviate these risks.

## Why this programme?

This programme is a part-time interdisciplinary course that will provide participants with a strong foundation in sustainable finance both in Ireland and internationally. By choosing this diploma you will learn the required skills from leading experts. You will understand core drivers, risks, and influences in the sustainable finance world providing you with skills that will be relevant across a range of careers. The programme will enhance your existing understanding of sustainability and sustainable finance and will allow those who are new to sustainable finance to expand their skills and knowledge.

**Funding opportunities:** Employees in the private sector are eligible for up to 70% Skillnet funding.

**For further details or queries please contact [skills@isfcoe.org](mailto:skills@isfcoe.org)**

## What are the entry requirements?

Applicants should have a minimum 2.2 honours (level 8) primary degree that is considered equivalent to Irish university primary degree level. This programme is also open to experienced professionals who do not hold a primary degree. We would expect such individuals to have considerable experience in the financial services or sustainability industry. Such applicants will require an interview to be assessed for their suitability and will be required to complete a Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) portfolio. For students whose first language is not English or have not formally studied through English, the university accepts a range of language tests at specific levels.

## How to apply?

Applications for all Maynooth University postgraduate programmes must be made online through the Postgraduate Applications Centre (PAC) at:

[www.pac.ie/maynoothuniversity](http://www.pac.ie/maynoothuniversity)

**PAC Code: MH43D Part-time (1 Year)**

## More information

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# Module Themes



Behavioural Finance  
for Sustainability

Climate Risk &  
Climate Investing

Ethics & Financial  
Regulation

Integrated  
Sustainable Finance  
& Innovation Project

Introduction to  
Sustainable Finance

Data Science for  
Sustainable Finance

Fintech Innovation  
and the Regulatory  
Framework

ESG Investing &  
Reporting

## Course Structure & Fees

Participants will complete 60 ECTS in a calendar year. The programme is made up of nine taught modules carrying a 5 or 10 ECTS weighting. The Programme will be delivered predominantly online with both synchronous and asynchronous content with a set of external deliverers and internal faculty. Participants will also be able to interact with the Bloomberg Trading Simulation Laboratory in the School of Business. Tuition Fees (2023/24) €6,690 year.

### How will this help my career?

This programme aims to upgrade your skills in the following three areas:

- Data science related to sustainable finance
- How financial technology is used to implement sustainable finance solutions
- How sustainable finance interacts with financial innovation.