



NUI Galway
OÉ Gaillimh

MA/Postgraduate Diploma in Public Advocacy & Activism

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Hello!

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General information

- This is a multi-disciplinary programme, based in the Huston School.
- The programme provides the skills and knowledge that will enable students to challenge the inequalities in our society and bring about social justice.
- We aim to create a space for constructive argument and discussion, the exploration and critical analysis of topics, and the exchange of ideas.
- Modules provide a combination of practice and theory.
- One-year full-time and two-year part-time options available (All students take modules together).
- Students on the Postgrad Dip take all of the modules but don't do the dissertation (60 ECTS, rather than 90 ECTS). They can transfer to the MA stream on achieving a 60% average in the taught modules.



Who takes this programme?

- People who want to make a difference and change the world.
- Our students come from a diverse range of backgrounds and experience, and have a variety of interests.
 - Some students have been involved in student volunteering or campaigning and are interested in a career in the not-for-profit sector;
 - Others are already working in the not-for-profit or social care sector, or involved in voluntary or community work and want to improve their effectiveness in their roles;
 - This is an opportunity to take some time to reflect on the work they're doing and gain new perspectives, as well as skills.
- Graduates generally want to work with, or be employed in organisations that share their concerns and values.
 - N.B. Transferable skills, including critical thinking, research and writing are central to the programme.



Community Engagement

- All modules use real-life campaigns and case studies.
- Students choose the issues/organisations they want to focus on for their research and assignments.
- The university provides opportunities for student volunteering and engagement in student societies and campaigns.
- In recent years students have been active in national and local campaigns including the University of Sanctuary, Galway Anti-Racism Network (GARN), the Repeal campaign (2018), and Fossil Fuel Divestment.
- Placements – Flexible arrangement to meet students needs and availability.



Modules (Total 90 ECTS)

| CORE | |
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| Practice and Theory of Advocacy and Activism | 10 ECTS |
| Short Filmmaking | 10 ECTS |
| Communication, Media, Marketing | 10 ECTS |
| Dissertation | 30 ECTS |
| ELECTIVE (choose 3) | |
| Introduction to Human Rights | 10 ECTS |
| Film, Politics, and Colonialism | 10 ECTS |
| Social and Political Context of Advocacy & Activism | 10 ECTS |
| Organisational Analysis and Management | 10 ECTS |
| Service Learning / Placement | 10 ECTS |



HOW TO APPLY

- All applications are made online.
- Applicants to the MA should have a second class honours degree in any discipline (but you may be admitted to the Postgraduate Diploma with a lower qualification)
- A personal statement is required; it should describe your interest in the subject area and any relevant experience (professional or volunteering).
- For further information:
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