

# MA (APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY)

## Overview

NFQ Level 9, Major Award

The MA (Applied Psychology) is a full-time programme running for 12 months from the date of first registration for the programme.

In semester one students take **20** credits of core modules and a maximum of **15** credits of elective modules. In semester two students take **10** credits of core modules and the remaining credits in elective modules to a maximum of **30** credits of elective modules overall in the programme.

## Exemptions

Students who have already passed a module(s) as part of another programme, may seek exemption from this module(s) and will be required to take another module to the same credit value as assigned by the programme co-ordinator.

## Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Psychology (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

Students who have completed and passed modules to the value of at least 60 credits in Part I and who do not wish to proceed to Part II may opt to exit the programme and be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Psychology. (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pdap/>)

## Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

## Programme Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
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Students take **90** credits.

### Part I

Students take **30** credits as follows:

#### Core Modules

AP6023	Psychological Assessment	5
AP6060	Advanced Issues in Quantitative Research Methods	5
AP6061	Qualitative Research Methods and Data Analysis	5
AP6173	Service Design and Evaluation	10
AP6177	Critical Community Psychology	5

#### Elective Modules

Students take modules to the value of **30** credits from the following: 30

AN4009	Behavioural and Cognitive Neuroscience (5)	
AP3119	Psychological Therapies (5)	
AP6128	Introduction to Psychotherapeutic Skills (5)	
AP6129	Health Psychology (5)	
AP6153	Applying Psychology in Community-Based Settings Placement (15)	
AP6174	Clinical Presentations (Child, Adolescent, Adult, and ID) (10)	
AP6178	Psychological Principles and Skills in Working with Children and Families (5)	

### Part II

Students take **30** credits as follows:

#### Core Modules

AP6137	Dissertation in Applied Psychology <sup>1</sup>	30
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>90</b>

<sup>1</sup> Where a student achieves an overall mark which is considered borderline fail a viva voce examination may be requested by the Programme Director.

## Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

## Programme Learning Outcomes

**Programme Learning Outcomes for MA in Applied Psychology (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)**

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Understand the discipline of psychology and its value in applied contexts;
- Critically appraise psychological research and practice in a range of settings;
- Know the professional and ethical issues that may arise in the application of psychology in a variety of contexts;
- Display skills commensurate with planning and implementing an effective research programme.