

# MSC (INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL) (ONLINE)

## Overview

NFQ Level 9, Major Award

(Online)

The MSc in Infection Prevention and Control is a progression route from the Postgraduate Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pcipc/>).

The MSc is a 90-credit, part-time programme delivered online over two years: Year 1 comprises the Postgraduate Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control (30 credits) taken over nine months and Year 2 comprises an additional 60 credits (30 credits taught and 30 credits independent enquiry) taken over twelve months. The programme is designed on a module basis to meet the needs of working professionals.

## Exit Award: Postgraduate Diploma in Infection Prevention and Control (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

Upon successful completion of modules to the value of at least 60 credits (including the 30 credits on the Postgraduate Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pcipc/>) and the 30 credits of taught modules above: EH6088, EH6148, EH6153 and EH6157) students may opt to exit the programme and be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Infection Prevention and Control (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pdipc/>).

Students who either fail to submit the research dissertation or fail to attain the pass standard in the dissertation in either the first or repeat year will graduate with a Postgraduate Diploma in Infection Prevention and Control (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pdipc/>).

## Programme Requirements

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

## Programme Requirements

| Code   | Title   | Credits   |
|--|---|-----------|
| Students take <b>90</b> credits as follows:  |   |           |
| <b>Year 1</b>  |   |           |
| Postgraduate Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control ( <a href="https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pcipc/">https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pcipc/</a> ) |   | 30        |
| <b>Year 2</b>  |   |           |
| Students take <b>60</b> credits as follows:  |   |           |
| <i>Core Modules</i>  |   |           |
| EH6088   | Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analysis (Online)               | 5         |
| EH6148   | Application of Infection Prevention and Control in Practice | 10        |
| EH6149   | Dissertation in Infection Prevention and Control            | 30        |
| EH6153   | Quantitative Research and Epidemiology                      | 10        |
| EH6157   | Qualitative Research in Public Health                       | 5         |
| <b>Total Credits</b>   |   | <b>90</b> |

## 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 MSc in Infection Prevention and Control (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)**

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

- Critically explore and analyse principles and issues related to infection prevention and control;
- Analyse and synthesise evidence and apply it to infection prevention and control;
- Construct arguments and critically explore management and leadership factors in the application of infection prevention and control;
- Apply logical reasoning in written work and discussion;
- Employ a range of appropriate research and analysis methods with confidence and expertise;
- Demonstrate the ability to contribute to the professional body of knowledge in the area of infection prevention and control.