

# MSOCSC (APPLIED SOCIAL RESEARCH)

## Overview

NFQ Level 9, Major Award

## Exit Award only

Students who pass Years 1 and 2 (120 credits) of the DSocSc (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/dsocsc/>) may choose to exit the programme and be conferred with an MSocSc (Applied Social Research).

## Programme Requirements

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

## Programme Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Year 1</b>		
Students take <b>60</b> credits as follows:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
SS7001	An Introduction to Social Research	15
SS7002	Philosophies of Social Science	15
SS7003	Research Methods and Skills 1: Qualitative	15
SS7004	Social Policy Debates and Processes	15
<b>Year 2</b>		
Students take <b>60</b> credits as follows:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
SS7005	Research Methods and Skills 2: Quantitative	15
SS7006	State and Society	15
SS7007	The Politics and Ethics of Social Research	15
SS7008	Designing for Research and Evaluation	15
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>120</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 MSocSc (Applied Social Research) (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)**

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

- Critically evaluate the role of social research and evaluation in society, and identify and formulate research 'problems';
- Apply theoretical and conceptual debates in the social sciences to the analysis of social issues and research;
- Critically analyse social policy debates and processes in the context of participants' own work practices/organisation;
- Design a substantive piece of social research;
- Select and apply appropriate social research methodologies in designing a research project;

- Develop an appropriate ethical protocol for application in the context of addressing a research problem
- Effectively communicate research findings in both written and oral formats to a range of audiences;
- Develop intellectual/professional leadership through the use of research as a method of developing organisations.