

MSOCSC (APPLIED SOCIAL RESEARCH)

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.