

POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN THE BEGINNINGS OF IRISH CHRISTIANITY (NOT ON OFFER IN 2023/24)

Overview

FQ Level 9 Minor Award

Exit Award only

Upon satisfactory completion of **30** credits (10 credits of which must be a core module), students on the MA (The Beginnings of Irish Christianity) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/mabic/>) programme may opt to exit the programme and be conferred with a Postgraduate Certificate in The Beginnings of Irish Christianity.

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 at least **30** credits from the following modules. **10** credits must be core modules.

Part I

Students take **10** credits as follows:

Core Modules

CC6014	Independent Research: Early Christian Ireland ¹	10
or CC6021	Devotion and Belief in Pre-Norman Ireland	

Elective Modules ²

Students who have not previously taken the following undergraduate 15-0 modules may take up to **15** credits from:

AR2034	The Archaeology of Early Medieval and Viking Britain	
AR3039	The Archaeology of Early Medieval Ireland	
GR2031	The Rise of Christianity	
HI3139	Ireland and the beginnings of Europe	
LT2009	Reading Latin	

The remaining elective modules are to be chosen from the following 35-50

CC6001	Old Irish	
or CC6011	Continuing Old Irish	
CC6005	Research Seminar	
CC6006	Special Topic ³	
CC6008	Palaeography and Manuscript-based Research	
CC6013	Field Trips to Early Christian Sites	
CC6022	The Earliest Vernacular Literature: Monasticism and Literacy ⁴	
CC6023	The Culture of Gender in Early Ireland ⁵	
LT6001	Beginners' Latin	

¹ Students who have previously studied Celtic Civilisation in UCC or students who have studied an equivalent in their undergraduate studies must register for CC6014. All other students must register for CC6021.

² The choice of modules is made in consultation with the student's supervisor and is subject to the approval of the Programme Coordinator. The availability of modules, including CC6013 are subject to timetable requirements and/or sufficient student demand in any given year or Semester.

³ Students who take the core module CC6014 may not select the elective module CC6006.

⁴ Students who have previously taken CC2003 may not select CC6022.

⁵ Students who have previously take CC2011 may not select CC6023.

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 Postgraduate Certificate in The Beginnings of Irish Christianity (NFQ Level 9 Minor Award)

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

- Command a comprehensive knowledge of the early Latin church from which medieval Irish religious culture arose, and of which it continued to form a part;
- Identify the strategies whereby Irish Christianity accommodated important elements of the indigenous culture;
- Draw upon in-depth familiarity with a broad range of different types of medieval Irish religious literature;
- Clearly formulate, and apply in their work, an understanding of the cultural dynamic which rendered the early Irish church so distinctive while at the same time being open to the wider world;
- Explicate the spiritual dimension of Irish cosmological speculation;
- Analyse the role of Irish saints' Lives in contemporary society.