# POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HEARING, BALANCE AND COMMUNICATION

### Overview

NFQ Level 9, Minor Award

# **Exit Award only**

Upon successful completion of 30 credits on the MSc (Hearing, Balance and Communication) (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/mschbc/) programme, students may opt to exit the programme with a Postgraduate Certificate in Hearing, Balance and Communication (NFQ Level 9, Minor award).

# **Programme Requirements**

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

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Students must pass **30** credits of modules in Part 1 to be awarded a Postgraduate Certificate in Hearing, Balance and Communication (NFQ Level 9, Minor award).

Code Title Credits

Years 1 and 2 - Part I

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Restricted to students with recognised prior clinical experience in diagnostic audiology.

### Notes:

 In consultation with the Programme Director, one 5-credit module may be taken from other programmes at UCC, in related disciplines, for a total of 5 of the 90 required credits. Such electives will be approved on a case-by-case basis and are dependent on the permission of the relevant Department and Module Co-ordinator, timetabling and workload considerations.

## **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 Hearing, Balance and Communication (NFQ Level 9, Minor Award)

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

- Critically evaluate the evidence with regard to the effects of hearing loss on the quality of life of the paediatric, adult and elderly population;
- Integrate and analyse the evidence with regard to the effects of balance problems on the quality of life of the adult and elderly population;

- Critically evaluate the evidence base obtained from research within specific disciplines working with populations who are hearing impaired, and who have hearing-related communication difficulties;
- Critically analyse the evidence base obtained from research within specific disciplines working with balance pathologies in the adult and elderly population;
- Reconceptualise theoretical knowledge in terms of its practical applications.