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UNIVERSITY  
OF GALWAY

Scoil na hEolaíochta Polaitiúla  
agus na Socheolaíochta  
School of Political Science  
and Sociology



## MA/PDip in Child, Youth and Community

This programme is designed for anyone with a strong interest in securing employment and career progression in the community, voluntary or public sector, specialising in addressing the needs and human rights of children and youth. Professionals involved in the delivery of services to children, young people and communities are increasingly required by funders and central government to provide scientific, robust evidence to measure the social impact of these interventions. Graduates of this programme will develop a specialist skill set in programme planning and evaluation that responds to current needs of the sector. As a programme of the UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre and Discipline of Applied Social Science, students benefit from the expertise of centre staff, focusing on 'what works' in the real world of policy and practice and utilising community and participatory-based approaches to working with and for children and youth.



For me, the MA in Child, Youth and Community was everything I had expected and more. It challenged me, but the lecturers encouraged and supported me through those challenges. Every module in this course was delivered by someone who is truly passionate about the topic and the class environment always allowed for discussions and voicing my opinion. I am so grateful that I had the opportunity to study this course and look forward to applying all that I learned in my work  
- Edward Doheny.



## COURSE FACTS

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| Subject Name:       | PD/MA in Child Youth and Community   |
| Course Code:        | MA—MA-CYC; PDip—PGD-CYC  |
| Duration:           | MA: One year full-time; two years part-time  |
| Entry Requirements: | PDip: One year<br>A Level 8 Degree with upper Second Class Honours (2.1) or equivalent in child, youth and family studies, sociology, psychology or a cognate discipline. Applicants who do not meet the formal academic requirements may apply for entry through the University's Recognition for Prior Learning Policy |

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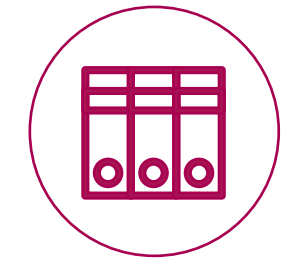
## COURSE OUTLINE

### CORE MODULES

- Families, Children and Young People
- Programme Planning and Evaluation
- Human Rights and Social Justice
- Community Development and Families
- Research Methods and Methodology
- Research Workshops
- Research Paper (MA only)

### OPTION MODULES (SELECTED)

- Field-based Learning (EU/Ireland)
- Professional Experience
- Working with Specific Populations
- Social and Political Context of Activism and Advocacy
- Gender, Sexuality and Global Health



### PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

This programme gives students the opportunity to study in association with an internationally recognised research centre in the field of child, youth and family studies and to join a thriving post-graduate community within the wider School of Political Science and Sociology. The programme offers a flexible, one-year full-time or two-year, part-time blended learning approach, with a focus on targeted skills development and placement and fieldwork opportunities that enhance employability.



### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Upon graduation, students will have the necessary knowledge and skill-set for programme planning, research and evaluation, human rights programming and advocacy, communication and innovative thinking in the context of child, youth and community services. Typically, graduates will seek employment in areas such as youth work, child welfare, community development, national or international public administration, advocacy or research.

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