



NUI Galway
OÉ Gaillimh

College of Science



Occupational and Environmental Health & Safety

The management of Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) is an integral part of an organisation's activity. Corporate social responsibility requires the creation of safe work while protecting the environment. Organisations are required to comply with a growing body of legislation in this area therefore, there continues to be demand for EHS graduates nationally and internationally.

NUI, Galway was one of the first third level Universities to provide graduate education in Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) and our graduates are highly regarded worldwide. The employment record for our programmes in this area is excellent, with over 90% of recent graduates finding employment in EHS related areas.

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Course facts

Accredited by the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH), British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS) and An Bord Altranais (Category 2)

Course level: MSc (Level 9), HDip (Level 8)

PAC Code: MSc GYS12 (full time) GYS25 (part time)
HDip GYS17 (full time) GYS24 (part time)

Duration: 1 year full time, 2 years part time

Entry Requirements: MSc: Honours BSc degree or its equivalent as determined by the College of Science, in an appropriate discipline. Students without an adequate academic background but with relevant work experience may be required to attend for interview. As both the HDip and MSc programmes including the HDip are approved as Bord Altranais Category 11 courses, nurses applying to undertake either programme must have active registration in a division maintained by An Bord Altranais.

HDip: The minimum entry requirement is a BSc (General) degree or the possession of a primary degree or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the College of Science for the purposes of this Diploma (e.g. RGN). Final selection may be made on the basis of an interview.

Fees: Visit www.nuigalway.ie/courses/fees-and-funding/fees.html

Closing date: Offers will be issued on a continuous basis. Candidates are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Visit www.nuigalway.ie/postgrad/closingdates for more information.

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Why study this programme?

NUI Galway has been at the forefront of providing postgraduate education in the area of EHS since the early 1990s. Over the years we have continued to revise and update the content our programme to meet the evolving needs of the workplace. Occupational and Environmental Health & Safety has become a prominent component of business and society and continues to be a growth area for employment.

Programme outline

Students will study Environmental Health & Safety topics such as;

- Environmental Health & Safety Law
- Environmental Health & Safety Risk Management
- Auditing
- Waste Management
- Occupational Hygiene
- Environmental Monitoring
- Occupational Health
- Public Health & Health Promotion
- Ergonomics
- Environmental Engineering

Students will meet relevant domain experts through seminars, team based projects and workplace visits. Course work is assessed via continuous assessment, laboratory practicals, assignment work, written examinations, and minor thesis (MSc only).

Employment and career prospects

The graduate employment record for our programme is excellent, over 90% of recent graduates are now employed in EHS related roles. Graduates are employed as Environmental Health and Safety Professionals, Safety Professionals, Safety Engineers, Occupational Hygienists, Ergonomists, Occupational Health Nurses, and Safety Advisors in a wide range of sectors, including PharmaChem, Healthcare, Medical Device, Consulting Firms, Local Authorities, and Statutory Bodies in Ireland and abroad. Some of our graduates choose to continue in education and study for a PhD.

What our students say



Edel Ward
EHS Coordinator
Glanbia Ingredients Ire.

“I graduated in 2014 from the MSc in Occupational Health and Safety. This course really complimented my undergraduate degree in Environmental Management. I am now working for Glanbia Ingredients Ireland as an EHS Coordinator. Employers need graduates with a practical education in EHS, and the course at NUIG provided this. The lecturers delivered relevant subjects in great detail and were always approachable and helpful. The assistance and support I received from the course coordinators and admin staff both during the course and afterwards was second to none. I highly recommend the MSc to anyone who wants to build a career in the field of Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety.”



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