



MPhil in **PUBLIC HISTORY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE**

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Course Overview

Designed to provide students with a rigorous grounding in public history and to prepare high-calibre graduates in a unique and thorough fashion for the management of cultural heritage. We define 'public history' and 'cultural heritage' broadly. The course involves analysis of cultural memory, its construction, reception and loss; and study of the public status and consumption of history in modern society. We examine public commemoration and 'sites of memory' and consider the role of museums, galleries and the media in shaping public perceptions of the past.

Key Features

- Exciting optional modules that are 'born' for public history on 'History, Memory and Commemoration', 'Institutions in Ireland and abroad', 'Consuming History', 'Archives and Public History' and 'Saving the Past'. These modules cover key themes including memory, museums, archives, popular culture and the role of conflict in creating our perception of the past and the practice of history.
- Internships with leading campus organisations and projects and external bodies such as Douglas Hyde Gallery, Beyond 2022, Colonial Legacies and Experience Glasnevin, Century Ireland and James Joyce Centre.
- Field Trip.
- Visits to cultural heritage sites across Dublin.
- Practitioner workshops with leading experts in the field of public history, digital humanities, cultural heritage in Ireland and beyond.

Preferred Applicant Experience

- Applicants must have an undergraduate degree with a grade of 2.1 or 3.3 GPA as minimum.
- Good level of written and spoken English with evidence of same.
- Experience in the heritage sector is preferable but not required.

Career Opportunities

- Civil Service, Museums, Cultural Heritage Sites, Archives, Media Companies, Public Relations, etc.,
- Our graduates currently work in countries around the world including Britain, America, France, Italy and China, as well as Ireland.

Course Places	16
Course Structure	Full Time 1 Year Part Time 2 Years
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