



An Coláiste Ollscoile, Baile Átha Cliath
University College Dublin



Searmanas Bronnta
Conferring Ceremony

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University College Dublin (UCD) is one of Europe's leading research-intensive universities where undergraduate education, graduate masters and PhD training, research, innovation and community engagement form a dynamic continuum of activity.

The University was established in 1854 by St John Henry Newman, whose classic work 'The Idea of a University' is one of the most enduring texts on the value of higher education. His vision, 'True enlargement of mind', embodies the aspiration to provide a holistic experience and inspiring environment beyond the classroom. It is a rallying call for the University and its community to unleash the unique potential of the individual to meet global challenges and "to benefit the wider world".

Today UCD is Ireland's largest university with over 39,000 students. Irish school-leavers benefit from the highly innovative and flexible UCD Horizons undergraduate curriculum. As Ireland's leader in graduate education UCD has almost 12,000 graduate students.

In Ireland, UCD is home to over 11,000 international students and delivers programmes to over 5,000 students on overseas campuses. In addition, the University places great emphasis on the internationalisation of the Irish student experience – preparing all UCD students for future employment and life that crosses borders, boundaries, and cultures.

Originally known as the Catholic University of Ireland, the University became UCD in 1908 and is a constituent college of the National University of Ireland (NUI). In 1997, UCD became an autonomous university within the loose federal structure of the NUI, and UCD students are awarded degrees from the National University of Ireland.

UCD has been a major contributor to the making of modern Ireland. Many UCD students and staff participated in the struggle for Irish independence and the University has produced four Irish Presidents and five Taoisigh. Among UCD's well-known alumni are authors (Maeve Binchy, Roddy Doyle, Emma Donoghue, Flann O'Brien), former European Commissioner (Peter Sutherland SC), directors (Neil Jordan, Jim Sheridan) and sports stars (Brian O'Driscoll, Kevin Moran, Rena Buckley and Paul O'Donovan). Perhaps the best known of all is the writer James Joyce, who completed his Bachelor of Arts at the University in 1902.

UCD Alumni Relations

As you start your journey as a UCD alumnus/alumna, we encourage you to stay connected. Our Alumni Relations team runs a full programme of events and reunions, in Ireland and overseas, offering networking and other opportunities for you to keep in touch – with each other and with the University. Additional services include a Reader's Card for UCD's libraries, some sports and adult education discounts, affinity products and a range of other services.

UCD alumni continue to make their mark in every aspect of life and today's graduates will be no different. Stay in touch and let us know how you are getting on.

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Order of Proceedings

Procession of graduands
Procession of academic staff followed by Deans, Vice-Presidents and President
The President declares open a Meeting of the University for the purpose of conferring degrees
The Dean requests the graduands for each degree to stand
The Principal presents the graduands to the President in Latin
The President admits the graduands to the degree in Latin
The Dean calls the names of the graduates who proceed to the platform
The President presents the degree scroll to each graduate
Formal graduation address
Academic procession followed by procession of graduates

Formula of Presentation of Graduands

Latin

Praehonorabilis Praeses, totaque
Universitas.

Praesento vobis hasce meas filias
filiosque meos, quos omnes scio
tam moribus quam doctrina habiles
et idoneos esse qui admittantur ad
Gradum _____; idque tibi fide
mea testor ac spondeo, totique
Academiae.

English Translation

Right honourable President and
Members of the University.

I present to you these students whom
I know to be as upright in character
as they are skilled in their field of
study and qualified for admission to
the Degree of _____; and in good
faith I vouch for this and hold myself
responsible to you and to the whole
academic assembly.

Formula of admission by the President

Latin

Auctoritate mihi concessa, admitto
vos ad Gradum _____.

English Translation

By the authority vested in me, I admit
you to the Degree of _____.

(Professional Certificate in Records Management)

Keeshan, Shona

(University Certificate in Arts)

Byrne, Daisy Mae

Godet, Rachel Jeanne Liliane

Tighe, Eva Catherine

(University Certificate in Pre-Masters Pathway)

Diliyaerjiang, Yahefu

Du, Ruonan

Xiao, Songlin

You, Giyoung

(University Certificate in Open Learning)

Abdul, Mu'tasam Qaasim

Alenkhe, Enaho

Ammari, Nezar

Bari, Aneesh

Capuzzo, Maya

Carney, Cormac

Charlton, Emily

Corr, Patrick

Cronin, Shaúna

Crowley, Dylan

Deane, Joseph

Del Re, Lucia

Doyle, Ayla

Faughnan, Luke

Foley, Caitlin

Frame, David

French, Rachel

Gaughan Barros, Charlotte

Hackett, Nicholas

Hastie, Bob Ngairé John

Igbolomi, Jay

Jones, Shreya P

Joyce, Stephen

Kalinowski, Liam

Karingula, Ketak

Kenny, Alexander

Mac Giolla Phádraig, Éimhín

Malek, Oliwia

Marren, Isabella Grace

May, Lelia

McCann, Arthur

McKay, Robyn

Meleady, Thomas

Monaghan, Daniel Joseph

Monaghan, Ruby

Mooney, Ava

Mulhall, John

Mulligan, Conor

Murphy, Niall John

Murray, Ryan

Murray Hayden, Caroline

Nguyen, Linh

Nogues, Sive

Nunez-Dongour, Enrique

O'Brien, Oscar

O'Byrne, Ava

O'Connor, Grace

O'Neill, Saoirse

O'Reilly, Lily

Power, Ella

Rendu, Aoife

Ronan, Ben

Rothwell, Emily

Ryan, Sean

Saeed, Laiqa

Sheahan, Alexander John

Sheerin, Harry

Soliman, Hagar

Sweeney, Jake

Tofvesson, Rebecca

Tony-Elendu, Joshua

Van Doorslaer Doyle, Ben

Wade, Kaytlin

Wall, Charles

Walsh, Ruairi

White, James

Honours Degree of Bachelor of Arts

Doyle, Mia

Dybka, Oliwia

O'Doherty, Andrew Joseph

Rafferty, Ross Patrick Jack

Rutledge, James

Walsh, Joseph Peadar

(Diploma in Continued Education Access Arts,
Humanities, Social Science & Law)

Crawford, Donal

(Graduate Diploma in Cultural Policy & Arts Management)

Harrington, Ciara
Johnston, Gráinne
Joshi, Vaishnavi Shashank
Kendrick, Daniel
Lewis, Sophy
Shields, Daniel John

(Graduate Diploma in Design Thinking Sustainability)

Boyd, Méabh
Brislane, Aysha
Byrne, Gareth
Chidume, Jane Frances
Comerford, Siobhan Mary
Conlan, Emily
Corvelo Gobbo, Gabriel
Denysova, Iryna
Galligan, Frances
Glass, Brian
Hackett, Matthew
Hamadto, Maria
Hennessy, Kathleen
Iroko, Oluwasayo
Kaushik, Ruchi
Kielich, Adrian
Lynch, Melanie
McCartan, Ashley
McDermott, Laura
McGuinness, Liz
Molloy, Colm
Mulvany, Michelle
Murphy, Kevin
Nardone, Elisa
O'Callaghan, Aideen
O'Dwyer, Callum
Palkin, Mykola
Roche, Mark
Royle, Nicholas
Wallace, Ben
Watts, Aidan
White, Megan
Yamamoto, Andrea

(University Diploma in International Pre-Masters Pathway)

Chen, Celia
Gonzalez, Valentina
Kuksava, Hanna
Litton, Jiangang
Miyazaki, Sae

Myagmarsuren, Oyu
Urkan, Selin
Vlasiuk, Kostiantyn
Wang, Xingxing
Zhumaxi, Ayinaer

(University Diploma in Open Learning)

Fitzpatrick, Niamh

Degree of Master of Arts

(American Politics & Foreign Policy)

Astrup Daniel Larsen, Camilla
Browne, Patrick
Laplaige, Enzo

(Archives & Record Management)

Aitken, Gale
Boudway, Maxine
Bui, Minh Trang
Di Girolamo, Silvia
Gaynor, Christine
Gibney, Greer
Hood, Erin
Keane, Eimear
Leahy, Seán
Lowrie, Katharine
Meagher, Mary
O'Leary, Kieran
Robinson, Molly
Sawyer, Mackenzie
Slattery, Oisín
Tsuda Pillsbury, Sky
Woods, Matthew

(Art History Collections & Collating)

Barnaba, Allysa
Chan, Nikkita
Hawkins, Brian George
Jordan Smith, Alexandra
Killer, Erna
Litton, Ella
McCoy, Moira
McDonnell, Anya
O'Hanrahan, Alannah
Quinn, Kate
Vanagt, Heleen

(Classics)

Courtney, Sean Richard

Gahan Phelan, Max
Mowatt, Cameron

(Creative Writing)

Bitelli, Sofia
Dunne, Aideen
Foley, Maima
Keyes, John
Lennon, Claire
Lyons, Morgan
March, Emma
Marinchenko, Vasilisa
Sen, Somenath
Swan, Paige
Tormey, Denise

(Cultural Policy & Arts Management)

Calhoun, Emma
Carnegie, Isobel
De Maria, Bridget
Di Lauro, Zoe
Kauppi, Oona
Knoll, Brooke
Mackin, Tara
Martin, Megan
Moloney, Leah Georgia Mae
Timme, Lilly
Weber, Anna

(Drama & Performance Studies)

Harrigan, Miles

(European History) (UNICA)

Foxall, Sean Robert
Shaw, Padraic Christopher
van der Veen, Romke
van der Weide, Marjolein

(Gender Sexuality & Culture)

Fields, Kelvyn Dean
Gallagher, Emma Faye
Lydon, Aoife Marie
Mullen, Karly
Recio Ruiz, Elena

(Global History)

English, Alex Aaron
Flynn, Keeley
Hughes, Emily

Keogh, Conor
Kuthe Fuentes, Sebastian
Lin, Jiadu
O'Neill, Áine
O'Sullivan, Emmet Brian
Ward, Rory

(History of Welfare & Medicine in Society)

Armstrong, Ella
Cresswell, Michelle Anne
Riordan, Sinéad

(International War Studies)

Al-Abyad, Hussein
Beyer Fraile, Andrea
Darcas, Etienne
Faccenda, Martino
Fitzgerald, Alexander
Güçlü, Can
Guschlbauer, Sandra
Iburg, Tim
Jacobson, Kie
Keuerleber, Alexander
Kortenbruck, Cedric
Mattila, Maisa
McCormack, Jack Gerald James
Rijntalder, Lukas
Schrans, Anna
Soulé, Charlotte Amparo Therese
Verde, Vincenzo Maria Tancredi
West, Thomas
Yakovlyeva, Oleksandra

(Irish Folklore & Ethnology)

Crowley, Jeremiah Gerard
Jackson, Joelle
Resler, Karina
Sellner, Jess Erin

(Irish History)

Connaughton, Alan
Griffiths, Kevin
Moran, Kate
O'Connell, Donal

(Irish Studies)

Culhane, James
Wrafter, Matthew

(Journalism & International Affairs)

Ben Fredj, Mohamed
Cândido, Adélia
Chowdhury, Arpita
Furtado, Shyna Maria
Griffin, Fleur
Healy, Leanne
Mabaso, Sanelisiwe
Macari, Fabiana Paola
Nisa, Aula Khoirun
Seth, Asmita

(Languages & Image Studies)

Carrillo, Eva
Coco, Maria Cristina
de la Iglesia Talayero, Almudena
Górecki, Bartłomiej
Guidi, Arianna
Vremea, Nicoleta-Letitia

(Linguistics & Applied Linguistics)

Cheng, Limin
Chmielewska, Dominika
Cleary, David
Gubíková, Klára
Otýsová, Petra
Rusinová, Tímea
Todaro, Carmelo

(Literature & Culture)

Afsal Channaneth, Safreen
Atushi, Asifa Sultana
Brouwer, Elise
Donoghue, Abbey Louise
Evans, Ross
Ferguson, Garry Shane
Foley, Jessica
Gu, Zhaoqiuhui
Jameson, Evan Richard
Minihane, Clare
Reavis, Greta Guinevere Rose
Schenk, Lynn
Whelan, Max

(Media & International Conflict)

Finan, Mary
Marinho Dutra de Souza, Mariana
Zhai, Xiaoke

(Medieval Studies)

Clarkin, Jennifer
Cunningham, Rachel
Deegan, Cathal
Lande, Katherine
Walsh, Cian

(Public History)

Delaney, Heather
Doyle, Amy
Gallagher, Caroline
Jiang, Yantong
Linnell, Cera
Nabila, Apriliya Rida
Ní Cheallaigh, Ella
Purser, Tess
Sherwood Scully, Mia Elena
Wesley, Drew

(Scríobh & Cumarsáid na Gaeilge)

Ní Dhochartaigh, Shauna
Oonan, Molly

(Teaching Chinese Language and Culture)

Cao, Xinsheng
Chen, Feiyu
Chen, Qingqing
ChuQi, Feng
Li, Ruijie
Wang, Xinqi
Wu, Tong
Zhai, Xuefei
Zhang, Fengyin
Zhang, Rujia
Zhang, Xiaoxue
Zhang, Xinyao
Zhang, Yuelong

(Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)

Chen, Jie
De Brito Martins, Mateus
Gantulga, Baigali
McCaffrey, Brendan
Teixeira das Chagas, Jaqueline
Tzepapadaki, Sozina

(Theatre Practice)

Dawes, Asher
Flowers, Leah

Gallagher, Elaine
Kelly, Keith
Klikovac, Nikoleta
Mathur, Ankit Raj
Mitchell, Sophia
Nolan Green, Jasmin
Walsh, Brian

(Writing for Stage & Screen)

Berry-Walshe, Charlotte
Bishel, Emma
Donohue, Darren
Gilligan, Jamie
Hinds, Henry
Long, Lillian
O'Riordan, Brian
Politis, Dimitrios
Pollack, Bernard
Rahill, Kevin Martin Paul
Shortall, Emma
Vehrs, Alissa Moana Catharina
Worley, Haven

Degree of Master of Fine Arts

(Creative Writing)

Concannon, Elizabeth Ann
Jordan, Katherine
Karaim, Alexandra
Lobo, Joshua
Power, Ann-Marie
Tyner, David
Weissgerber, Martin

Degree of Master of Musicology

Blue, Lauren
Chen, Xinyi
Dunne, Cian
Gullifer, Paige
Martin, Bethany Hope
Quinn, Calum
Radke, Emily
Smith, Aileen Helena Constance

Degree of Master of Science

(Design Thinking for Sustainability)

Brislane, Aysha
Byrne, Gareth
Cherevychna, Marianna
Comerford, Siobhan Mary

Gallagher, Blaithin
Galligan, Frances
Glass, Brian
Hogan, Amie
Hughes, Áine May
Iroko, Oluwasayo
Kaushik, Ruchi
Lent, Seneca
Lynch, Melanie
McDermott, Laura
McGuinness, Liz
O'Dwyer, Callum
Patel, Siddharth
Roche, Mark
Schmidt, Madeline
Sharma, Vivaan
Wallace, Ben
Watts, Aidan
White, Megan

Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

Alas Portillo, Mirza Yanira
How the Pipeline Ran Dry: Towards a Critical
Historiography of the Antibiotic Pipeline (1980-
2020)

Baldwin, Fiona
Cultural Exchange and Inculturation in the
Musico-Liturgical Manuscript Sources of the
Secular Office in the Medieval Irish Provinces of
Dublin and Armagh

Doherty, Kevin
Oracle Child: The Figure of the Child and the
Role of Autobiographical Childhood Memory in
the Poetry of Seamus Heaney

Goda Venkataramani, Subhashini
Re-Staging Bharatanatyam Examining the Indian
'Classical' Dance as a Hybridised Placemaking
Activity Across Four Geographic and Virtual
Locations

Kilgallon, Hayley
Women and Sport in Ireland A History of Ladies
Gaelic Football

Miller, Jacob
Hauntology: Neoliberalism State-Keynesianism
and Repressed Contradictions in Post-1980
Anglo-American Fiction

Nguyen Mai, Chi
Writing Home: Haiti and Vietnam in the
Autofiction of Dany Laferrière and Anna Moï

Sutherland, Tegan
Fashionable Ornaments': The Reception of
Virtuosity in Eighteenth-Century Anglophone
Culture

**Honorary Degree of Doctor of Arts, *honoris*
*causa***

Dobbin, Mark Douglas

Mark Dobbin is a prominent Canadian business
leader and philanthropist renowned for his
dedication to fostering and supporting academic
and cultural relations between Canada and Ireland.

As the current Co-Chair of the Ireland Canada
University Foundation (ICUF), he has been
pivotal in advancing scholarly exchange,
supporting hundreds of Canadian and Irish
researchers and students. The connection with

UCD was established in 1991 by his father Craig
Dobbin with a significant donation which
established the Craig Dobbin Visiting Chair in
Canadian Studies.

Mr Dobbin continues his family's enduring legacy,
notably by championing the Craig Dobbin Legacy
Programme at UCD, which ensures a robust future
for Canada-Ireland collaboration and upholds a
tradition of excellence in research and innovation.

He is also the Honorary Consul of Ireland for
Newfoundland and Labrador placing significant
emphasis for more than a decade in developing
cultural bridges between Canada and Ireland,
recognising and celebrating our shared heritages
and specifically the relationships between UCD
and Canadian universities. He is the founder of the
private equity firm, Killick Capital Inc.

Ceol leis an Ceathairéad Teaghrán Astral
MUSIC BY THE ASTRAL STRING QUARTET

Handel
Charpentier
Handel

Water Music – Hornpipe
Te Deum (Prelude)
Firework Music 'La Rejouissance'

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Laoi na hÁilleachta

I gcoill Fómhair faoi chiúnas clabhstrach na gcrann
Tháinig duille feoite ag foluain anuas go mall
Trí cholúin na beithe, trí áirsí na dara,
Trí stuanna míne na beithe, trí stuanna cama cumhdachta na dara,
Ó uaine go haraile,
Duille fáin faoi chiúnas clabhstrach na gcrann
Is spreagadh an fear chun filíochta leis an áilleacht a chonaic sé ann.

In an Autumn wood under the cloistered quiet of the trees
A withered leaf floated slowly down
Through the columns of birch, through the arches of oak,
Through the smooth arcs of birch, through the bent covering arcs of oak,
From one green to another,
A stray leaf under the cloistered quiet of the trees
And the man was moved to poetry by the beauty he saw there.

By Eoghan Ó Tuairisc.

These are the opening lines from *Laoi na hÁilleachta*, a poem on the beauty of the world, published in Ó Tuairisc's first collection of poetry, *Lux Aeterna* (1964). Poet, Novelist and Dramatist, Eoghan Ó Tuairisc wrote in both Irish and English. He received a BA and MA from UCD in the 1940s.

