



An Coláiste Ollscoile, Baile Átha Cliath
University College Dublin



Searmanas Bronnta
Conferring Ceremony

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University College Dublin



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 33,000 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 10,000 graduate students.

In Ireland, UCD is home to over 8,500 international students and delivers programmes to almost 4,000 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

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| 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 _____.

Certificate

(Professional Certificate Advanced Disabilities)

Durnin, Grace

Purcell, Una

(Professional Certificate in Disability Policy & Legislation)

Morris, Carl

(University Certificate in Women Gender & Social Justice)

Awani-Gold, Sophie

Casey, Bernadette

Connolly, Sandy

Dunne, Louise

Dwyer, Lorraine

Flannery, Patricia

Ira, Caroline

Jacob, Racheal

Kelly, Lisa

Kelly, Shannon Marie

Leyshon, Lucy

McKillen, Fiona

McQuaid, Anita

Ojo, Yemisi

Ribeiro, Leonora

Rovenco, Lucia

Tracey, Carmel

Tuite, Ingrid

Wallace, Mary Clare

Young, Michelle

(University Certificate in Social Science)

Mukhtar, Wed

Honours Degree of Bachelor of Science

(Psychology)

Adetona, Matilda

Amadasu, Anabel

Bailey, Ryan

Barach, Chloe

Beglin, Niamh Caroline

Beshir, Kerum Mohammed

Burns, Sophie

Bux, Lucy

Carr, Sophie

Carselind, Klara

Chambers, Finan

Cleary, Lucy

Curry, Abbie

Danielis, Carlotta

Darska, Marta

Deshko, Daniella

Dorman, Ellen Kate

Farrell, Ross

Feeney, Karee

Fennell, Lara

Filimon, Cezar

Fu, Miranda Yi Xuan

Furlong, Robyn

Gal, Viktoria

Gannon, Kay

Hickey, Kevin

Holland Behal, Rosie Nina

Hyland, Paul

Kearney Madden, Sophie

Keegan, Adam

Lambertini, Sofia

Leleji, Greatness

Malone, Ellen

McAleese, Ciara Marie

McCarthy, Zara

McGlynn, SORCHA

McHale, Molly

Menon, Aarushi

Montes, Angelica Divina

Moore, Laura

Mulcahy, Lia

Murphy, Colm

Murphy, Holly Grace

Murphy, Ciara

Murray, Fionn

Murtagh, Shauna

Neilson, Alisha

O'Brien, Keelin

O'Brien, Kate

O'Doherty, Sarah

O'Gorman, Hannah Grace

O'Sullivan, Oisín

Pfau, Julia

Phelan, Sarah

Phipps-Rooney, Lucylouise

Pienabarca, Martina

Power, Ruairí

Prizeman, Faye

Punchoo, Bhevini
Rauhala, Noora Emilia
Reddy, Kian
Reddy, Jack
Reilly, Darragh
Ridenhour, Emma
Sanchez Myles, Isabel Laura
Schuster, Lola Maria
Smith, Zoe
Stancheva, Abigail
Swift, Sarah
Vukosavic, Tea
Zhao, William Weili
Zhao, Yuanxue

(Psychology – International)

Casey, Emma
Corcoran, Abbie
Duli, Oert
Dunne Camacho, Yael
Farrell, Hannah
Finnegan, Clodagh
Foley, Nele
Hosford, Caoimhe
Kennedy, Sophie
Kennedy, Elizabeth
Kenny, Rachel
Leahy, Isabelle
Moran, Iosold
Nolan, Hannah
Quirke, Fiona
Tuke, Rory
Walker, Ava

Honours Degree of Bachelor of Social Science

(Social Policy and Sociology)

Alharthy, Azhar Nassor
Alnimri, Angela
Amara, Hind
Andersson, Therese
Beta, Petro
Brennan, Sean
Byrne, Natasia
Carolan, Rhianna
Cryan, Emily
Cuthbert, Lucy
Davies Dease, Hannah
Demery, Kim
Dennehy, Shane
Dover Merrigan, Emma Rachel
Edgely, Rachel
Ellis, Marc

Elonga, Ephraim
Eremia, Camelia
Espino, Chrisalee Charmaine Eiren
Field, Ella
Finnegan, Daragh
Finney, Ella
Flanagan, Sarah
Hayes, Adrianna
Henry, Annika
Kelly, Amy
Kenny Carroll, Rebecca
Khomba, Faith
Kierans, Niall
Kilroy, Max
King, Joanne
Labelle, Sylvie Judy
Lawuyi, Victoria
Lowe, Conor
Lynch, Siobhan
Lyons, Emma
Mackey, Brendan
Marah, Katie
Mathews, Amy
Matthews O'Connor, Shona
McCann, Alec Edward
McCann, Orla
McCarthy, Ruby
McDonald, Alex
McEvoy, Peter
McGonigle, Sorcha
McInerney, Laura
McKenna, Clodagh
Millar, Alexander Charles
Nnadi, Kelechi
Noone, Josepha
O'Brien, Erika
O'Brien, Stephen
O'Connor, Amy
O'Connor, Sofia
O'Neill, Lisa
O'Reilly, Eva
Osman, Muna
Radzevicius, Laurynas
Reddington, Iris
Reid, Tamzin
Reynolds, Rebecca
Riano, Jomar
Richard, Stephanie Oluwabukunmi
Roe, Lucy
Rogan, Jack
Ryan, Mia
Scully, Andrea
Scully, James
Shamim, Tasnia
Sibanda, Happiness

Sichela, Chewe
Sterle, Zoja
Swaine, Maisy
Thioune, Awa Ndami
Treacy, Brianna
Treacy, Naoise Hannah
Whelan, Anna Margaret
Whelan, Lauren
Wrobel, Karolina

(Social Policy and Sociology – International)

Johnston, Lauren
O'Donoghue, Naomi

Higher Diploma

(Psychology)

Benson, Amelia
Burns, Tara
Byrne, Katelynn
Gleeson, Tadhg
Heuze, Ciaran
Landy, Nicholas
Llorente, Julia
Savage, Michael
Somers, Susan
Walsh, Ellen
Walsh, Sadhbh Aine
Woods, Keith

(Social Policy)

Fenoseff, Laura
Lynch, Jade
Mayer, Shariyf
Mueller-Owens, Sierra
Okechukwu, Jacinta
Osa, Peace
Owaseye, Ayodele Oluwatoyin

University Diploma

(Social Sciences)

Costello, Annabel
Mahoney, Casey
Urbano-Roma, Leandro

Degree of Master of Literature

Burke, Ray
Ó Dúinín, Eoin

Degree of Master of Science

(Behavioural Neuroscience)

Dsilva, Leenisha Russel

(Social Work)

Portley, Noel

Degree of Professional Masters of Social Work

Amowie, Ruth
Anowe Chukwuezi, Innocent Okechukwu
Barker, Lauren
Boateng, Maame
Bracken, Maresa
Brennan, Liliana
Broker, Dakota Morgan
Delaney, Noeleen
Donlon, Amy
Downes, Megan
Farrell, Jessica
Gillick, Hollie
Gillick, Rachel
Kelly, Alexandria
Kinsella, Amy
Kinsella, Katelyn
Lennon O'Leary, Chloe
Makotcenko, Maja
Mott, Stephanie
Murphy, Lauren
Nicholson, Olwen Rachel
Ogiemwonyi, Obehi
O'Hara, Megan
Opashi, Noa Raven
Percival, Chris
Ring, Niamh
Roy, Megha
Ryan O'Hanlon, Chelsea Sarah
Shery, Melvin
Svusvu, Linda
Sweeney, Megan
Syed, Zehra
Tigere, Rosemary
Trodden Daniel, Lauren
Ward, Josh
Whelan, James
White, Gavin
Wilson, Elizabeth
Zolja, Snježana
Zouai, Nessrine

Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

Aldama, Iñigo
Understanding the Welfare Attitudes of
Ethnonational Minority Parties in Western Europe
A Mixed-Method Approach

Brassil, Maryanne
Considering the Cognitive Mechanisms
Underpinning Eyewitness Misinformation
Susceptibility

Butler, Philomena Brigid
'Embracing the Misfit': Supporting and
Empowering Mothers with Acquired Brain Injury
A Feminist Participatory Action Research Study

Dixon, Jeremy James
An inquiry into the psycho-social components that
mediate job seeking self-efficacy in an Irish
context.

Flinn, Clodagh
Pathways of Resilience in Young People Living
with Chronic Skin Conditions

Mahesh Naraindas, Akansha
Body image disturbance and its relationship to the
body schema and interoceptive sensibility

McCloskey, Conor
The Functional Distinctiveness and Properties of
Pliance as a Class of Rule-Governed Behaviour

McGuinness, Shona
Understanding interprofessional supervision
among allied health professionals in the context of
the Irish disability sector

McInerney, Amy
A Dynamic Approach to Understanding the
Impact of Health Behaviours on Mental Health in
Diabetes

Schilling, Theresa
Masculinities and friendships in the lives of young
queer people in Ireland.

Seery, Christina
Understanding and managing adult ADHD:
Development and evaluation of an App and group
psychoeducation workshops

Tibbs, Maria
Online Communication and Youth Mental Health

Zammit, Isabelle
Religious Understanding and Prosocial Behaviour
in Early Childhood

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.

