Our taught Masters course in Gender and Women's Studies (1 year full-time, 2 years part-time) provides a critical understanding of the current scholarship on the position and representation of gender in society. Drawing on insights and perspectives from a number of academic fields within the Humanities and Social Sciences, the course is both interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary, training students to research across a range of disciplines. Its students acquire a deep understanding of the cultural contexts in which theories of gender are produced, performed and negotiated and an ability to use primary source material as well as critical theories and scholarship. The course also hones the sort of analytical, written, and verbal communication skills that are highly valued and effective in many different careers.

**Course Details**

All students take the core modules Gender Theories, Gender Research Seminar and Approaches to Gender Research, which provide a grounding in key approaches and skills. Students choose further modules from a wide range of electives, varying from year to year. These include both special topics and further skills and methodologies training options, allowing students to build specific skills and to follow their individual interests. Recently offered modules include: Gender and Symbolic Violence; Gender, Art and Identity; Gender and War in the 20th Century; Saints and Sanctity in Ireland, Britain and Europe; Gender, Identity and Authority in 18th century France; Gender and Nation in Irish Writing; Gender and Globalization; Gender and Peace; Approaches to Historical Research; Libraries and Archives; Curating Art in Theory and Practice. The capstone of the course is a dissertation of 15,000-20,000 words on a research topic in the area of Gender and Women's Studies selected by the student, and carried out under the supervision of a member of the teaching staff of the course.

**Career Prospects**

Graduates of the course are well placed to pursue a multiplicity of career pathways, for example, in the museum and cultural sector, as media and public relations specialists, in counselling, consultancy, publishing, public administration, NGO or business environments and, of course, education and research. For those already working in these sectors the course will enrich knowledge and skills, stimulate lateral thinking and act as a spur to innovation.

**How to Apply**

- Applicants should normally have a first class or upper second class (2.1) honors Bachelor degree or equivalent (for example, GPA of 3.3) in a relevant discipline.
- Applications should be made online through www.tcd.ie/courses/postgraduate/faculty where up to date information on fees is also provided. Bursaries are sometimes available; please consult the course web pages.
- The initial deadline for applications is 30th April and the first round of offers will be made shortly afterwards, but late applications will be considered. Since places on the course are limited, applicants may be interviewed or asked to submit a writing sample.
A great location
Established in 1592, Trinity College Dublin is one of Europe’s oldest and one of the world’s most distinguished universities. It provides an environment where independence of thought is highly valued and where students and staff are nurtured as individuals and are encouraged to achieve their full potential. Today Trinity College is home to a vibrant community of 17,000 students from all over the world. Its historic campus, located in the heart of Dublin, provides easy access to a wealth of museums, libraries, theatre, art, music, literature and festivals. As a major railway and airline hub, Dublin is a gateway to the rest of Ireland, Europe and the world.

The School of Histories and Humanities enjoys an international research profile in a wide range of disciplines and subject areas. Valued highly in international subject rankings, the School is home to 35 academic members of staff who are dedicated to research-led teaching, ready to listen to students’ ideas and open to interdisciplinary approaches. The School frequently hosts international conferences and runs six major research seminars. These provide a forum for scholars and postgraduate students from all over the world to exchange ideas. Our academics also play an active role in many of Ireland’s leading research centres, nine of which are located within the School.

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