Why study a Continuing Professional Development Programme with the TCD School of Social Science & Philosophy?

This suite of CPD programmes will enable professionals to enhance their skills in Data Science and trains participants in the fundamental knowledge and skills of social data analysis. These modules have been co-created with key industry partners to address the scarcity of training in data science in Ireland. Some of the benefits of the modules include:

- Learn in the environment of Ireland’s top university
- Courses taught by leading Trinity academics
- Earn a Certificate of Completion in the selected CPD programme
- Access to Trinity’s Virtual Learning Environment – Blackboard
- Short courses with flexible modes of delivery
- Small class sizes

Who is this course for?

Working professionals from the private and not-for-profit sectors. Managers; HR professionals; product developers; market researchers; service providers; marketers / brand managers and compliance officers from the financial, insurance, legal, IT and consumer products / services industries.
'Ethics in AI and Social Data

The Ethics in AI and Social Data module is part of a programme of Continuous Professional Development in the area of Applied Social Data Analysis that the School of Social Sciences and Philosophy will deliver.

Addressing the scarcity of training in data science in Ireland and co-created with key industry partners, the Ethics in AI and Social Data programme trains participants in the fundamental knowledge and skills of social data analysis.

Ethics in AI and Social Data examines some of the most pressing ethical issues raised by social data. It introduces participants to key philosophical tools for addressing such problems and will enable participants to identify and respond to new ethical challenges in this area. It will equip participants to identify and reflect on new ethical issues and challenges raised by the use of social data and prepare participants to be able to formulate guidelines for the ethical use of social data.

What topics will you cover?

This CPD on the philosophy and ethics of social data will critically examine the ethical and philosophical issues raised by social data. It will cover topics such as digital identity, algorithmic fairness and diversity, transparency of data and algorithms, privacy and data protection. It will adopt an interactive approach and the discussion will revolve around concrete case studies and examples.

Choose your delivery mode

Delivery mode 1

5 consecutive weeks
One 5-hour session each week on the Trinity Campus

Start Date: 29 April 2022
End Date: 27 May 2022

Delivery mode 2

1 week intensive programme on the Trinity Campus
5 hours each day for 5 days

Start Date: 22 August 2022
End Date: 2 September 2022

How to apply and fees

You can enrol on this module through the Trinity website here:

The closing date is March 31, 2022.

The course fee of €2,000 includes access to the course materials via Blackboard (Trinity’s Virtual Learning Environment) for the duration of the course.

Participants should have access to a laptop with camera and a microphone.