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# MSc Global *Enviromental Economics*



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# Learning to critically evaluate and inform future *public policy* in relation to the *environment*.

## Why choose MSc Global Environmental Economics?

- Cutting-edge curriculum covering topics like Climate Change Economics, Natural Resource Governance and Sustainability and Environmental Economics Modeling.
- A small class environment where subjects are taught by faculty actively engaged in environmental economics research and policy advice.
- Exciting field trips.
- 3-Month work placement opportunity with a host company.

## Examples of MSc Global Environmental Economics Host Company Opportunities



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## Testimonial

# Juan Pablo Martinez

**MSc Global Environmental Economics**  
ESG Specialist, Assistant Manager  
Irish Life Investment Managers



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As someone with a longtime passion in sustainability who was seeking to have a much more focused impact on the fight against climate change, I found the MSc in Global Environmental Economics at the University of Galway to be the ideal course for anyone who wants the necessary skills and proficiency to meaningfully influence policy to solve the most pressing environmental issues.

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United Nations  
Climate Change

The programme is partnered with the UN Climate Change and Universities Partnership Programme. The partnership provides graduate students with unique opportunities to engage in impactful research addressing the challenges of climate change adaptation. Through close collaboration with local, national, and regional partners, as well as international experts, students have the chance to undertake research projects aimed at filling crucial knowledge gaps in this field. [Learn more](#)

## Our Research

Environmental Economics is a core area of research focus within Economics at the University of Galway. The presence of two highly active research groups in this field indicates a strong commitment to advancing knowledge and understanding in environmental economics. Click on the links below to learn more...



## Seagoing Training aboard the RV Tom Crean



Students spend two days aboard the ship and experience the multidisciplinary scientific research methods used to survey the marine environment through the core disciplines of oceanography, fisheries biology, benthic ecology and geosciences.

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# Field Trip to *Brussels*

Tadhg O'Brien, Deputy Head of Unit , European Commission, DG Energy and Adjunct Professor at University of Galway brought students on a very interesting and informative field trip to Brussels.



## Testimonial

*"The field trip was completely eye-opening to the vast number of opportunities available in Europe in the field of Environmental Economics. It was a great experience to learn from those who work within the European Commission and from the organisations that help the commission make their decisions on EU energy policy. After a year of hard work, it was really rewarding to hear from everyone we met that our skills were highly demanded. Coming home from this trip I was excited and eager to start my career in Environmental Economics."*

Emily Muldoon,  
Business Development  
Analyst, Brookfield  
Renewable U.S.



## Testimonial

*" I decided to study at the University of Galway because the program's class size is small enough to allow for closer peer and professor interaction. What I enjoy most about the programme is that it provides practical experience through field visits and the option of applying for a working placement, which allows for a more relatable experience with the topics learned in class....The highlights of the programme have been the diversity of topics discussed in class, ranging from marine, forestry, agriculture, and renewable energy topics. Teachers have always been attentive and engaged with the students, being approachable and supportive around specific interests or queries we have. "*

Carla Barrientos  
MSc Global  
Environmental  
Economics 2023/24

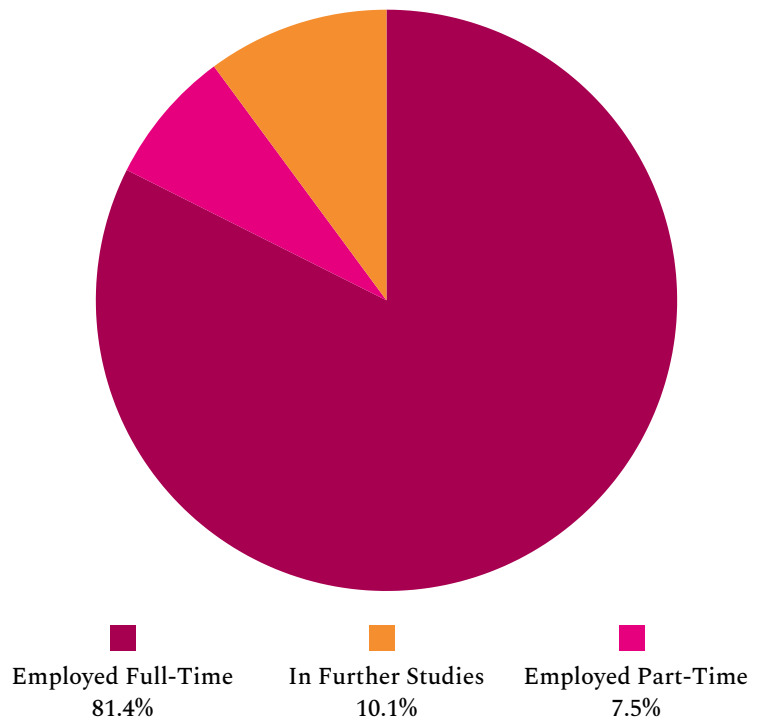


# Make meaningful contributions to the global effort to combat *climate change*.

## Our graduates will:

- Understand and analyse global environmental issues from an economic perspective
- Critically evaluate and inform future public policy in relation to the environment
- Have advanced knowledge of economic methods used to analyse environmental problems
- Understand global interlinkages of environmental problems and how these differ around the world
- Have effective communication skills and be proficient with various media

Employment Survey MSc Global Environmental Economics Graduates One year post-graduation



## Examples of companies where graduates are *working* now



# Admission

## Entry Requirement

Normally a H2.1 degree (NFQ Level 8 or equivalent) with Economics. However, candidates with a significantly high H2.2 honours degree and who have achieved a 2.1 average in relevant Economics modules in a business degree, will also be considered. Students without an economic background are also encouraged to apply and will be accepted subject to successful completion of an online preparatory Economics course. These students are advised to get in touch with the course coordinator as early as possible for more details. IELTS score of 6.5 or equivalent, if applicable.

## Duration

1 year (full-time)  
2 years (part-time)

## Fees 2025/26

EU Fees: €7,750 full-time;  
€4,000 part-time  
Non EU Fees: €20,000 full-time  
Student levy: €140

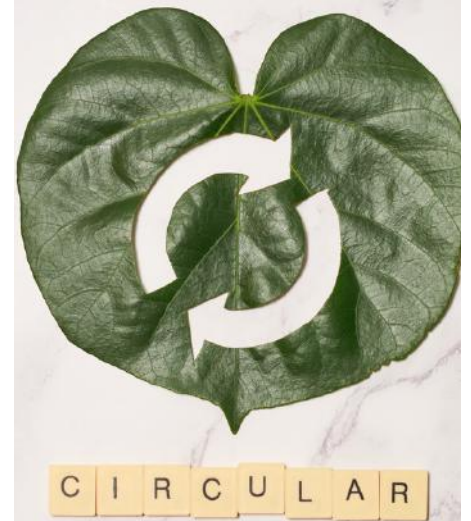
## Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded competitively, with recipients eligible to receive up to 50% of the programme's tuition fees. All candidates who achieved a H1 in their undergraduate degree and have accepted their offer are automatically considered for this generous scholarship.

## Find out More:

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## Learn More:



“ The breadth of courses and experienced lecturers provided me with a great opportunity to further develop techniques in quantitative research that I routinely use in my current position as a researcher in the field of renewable energy technology. My time there opened many doors for me; if you are interested in studying the effects of agriculture, health, and/or renewable energy policy (and their dynamic interaction in Ireland and abroad) I highly recommend this course! ”

Daniel Vila

MSc Global Environmental Economics  
Market Analyst, STOFF2 GmbH

