Master Degree in Global Sustainability Leadership

GENERAL INFORMATION

WHAT IS THE MA IN GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP?

The MA in Global Sustainability Leadership is a collaborative programme between **Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin)** and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). It is designed to develop leaders who can address sustainability, peacebuilding, and conflict resolution challenges by equipping them with practical skills, academic knowledge, and a global professional network.

The programme offers two flexible study options: a full-time, one-year blended programme, which combines face-to-face modules at TU Dublin with online modules from UNITAR, or a fully online, part-time option over two years. It is designed for professionals, policymakers, and academics seeking to advance their expertise in sustainable development and global leadership while balancing work and study commitments.

WHEN DOES THE PROGRAMME START?

The upcoming cohort of the programme starts in **September 2025.**

WHO SHOULD ENROL IN THIS PROGRAMME?

This programme is ideal for Professionals in Complex Settings; UN System & International Organisation Employees; Business Leaders & Entrepreneurs; Graduate Students & Researchers.

WHAT ARE THE MAIN BENEFITS OF THIS PROGRAMME FOR INDIVIDUALS?

- **Career Advancement:** Gain leadership skills and credentials to take on higher roles in sustainability.
- **Skill Enhancement:** Master sustainable practices, critical thinking, and problem-solving.
- **Network Growth:** Connect with a global community of professionals, policymakers, and experts.

GRADUATE HIGHLIGHT

I would strongly recommend studying Sustainability Leadership at TU Dublin. Their programmes are innovative, forward-thinking, and thought-provoking. I started with no real knowledge of sustainability, and by the end of the program, I had grasped its principles and could incorporate them into my personal and professional lives.

Alan Hobbs

Head of Global Irish Business, Enterprise Ireland.

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WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THIS PROGRAMME FOR ORGANIZATIONS?

- **Develop Leaders:** Encourage a culture of innovation and proactive problem-solving as employees apply fresh sustainability insights and strategies learned from this course.

- **Operational Efficiency:** Implement state-of-the-art sustainability practices that enhance operational efficiency and sustainability, reducing costs and boosting your company's performance.

- **Enhanced Reputation:** Train your team to lead in sustainability, supporting compliance with global standards and boosting your organization's reputation as a leader in corporate responsibility.

COURSE DETAILS

WHAT IS THE MODE OF DELIVERY?

- **Full-time (Blended learning)**: Face-to-face modules at TU Dublin + online modules from UNITAR.
- **Part-Time (Fully Online)**: Web-based e-learning with interactive discussions and live sessions.

WHAT IS THE DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME?

The MA in Global Sustainability Leadership is a 90 ECTS programme designed to equip students with a deep understanding of sustainability, leadership, and innovation.

- **Full-time** learners complete the curriculum in **one year**, engaging in an intensive study schedule with higher course loads per semester.

- **Part-Time** learners spread their coursework over **two years**, offering greater flexibility for working

WHAT ARE THE AVAILABLE MODULES?

Semester 1 (Full-Time) / Year 1, Semester 1 (Part-Time)
- Sustainable Economic Development (Mandatory)
- Entrepreneurial Thinking for Cultural Transformation & Power Balance (Elective)
- Innovation, Change, and Value Creation (Elective)
- Sustainability Leadership (Elective)

Semester 2 (Full-Time) / Year 1, Semester 2 (Part-Time)
- Critical Thinking, Creativity, Imagination & Perspectives (Mandatory)
- Entrepreneurship in Conflict & Peace (Mandatory)
- Virtual Peacebuilding (Elective)
- Responsible Innovation & Climate Activism (Elective)

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Semester 3 (Full-Time) / Year 2, Semester 1 (Part-Time)
- Systems Thinking and Behavioural Change (Mandatory)
- Analytics for Decision-Making and Impact (Mandatory)
- Applied Research Project (Mandatory)
- Research Methods (Mandatory)
- Social Innovation & Entrepreneurship (Elective)
- Geopolitics and the Global Economy (Elective)

Semester 4 (Full-Time) / Year 2, Semester 2 (Part-Time)
- Emotional Intelligence, Mental Health & Wellbeing for Leadership (Mandatory)
- Professional and Personal Development & Reflection (Mandatory)
- Applied Research Project (Mandatory)
- Research Methods (Mandatory)
- Digital Entrepreneurship & Transformation (Elective)
- Leadership for Resolution, Peacebuilding & Sustainability (Elective)

HOW ARE THE MODULES ASSESSED?
- 100% continuous assessment (No examinations).
- 70% individual work, 30% group work.
- Assessments are staggered across the semester to balance workload.

CAN I EXIT WITH A POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE?
Yes! You can exit the programme with a Postgraduate Certificate in Global Sustainability Leadership after completing the first year (Semesters 1 and 2).

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?
- **Academic Requirements:** A minimum second-class honours degree (2.2) or equivalent in any discipline.
- **English Proficiency:** Non-native speakers must provide proof of English proficiency. Exemptions may apply if previous studies were conducted entirely in English.

For more details about requirements and rules for Non-EU students, please visit the **programme webpage**.

CAN APPLICANTS WITH RELEVANT PRIOR EXPERIENCE APPLY?
Yes! Candidates with relevant work experience may apply for exceptional entry, assessed by the programme coordinator.

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HOW CAN I APLLY?
All applicants must apply online via the links below:

- **Full-Time** (1 Year)
  - **Apply Now - EU Applicants (Full-Time)**

- **Part-Time** (2 Years)
  - **Apply Now – EU Applicants**
  - **Apply Now – Non-EU Applicants**

For further information on the application process, please visit **How To Apply**.

The programme coordinator is available to assist during the application process. Learners are encouraged to email any questions to **elearning.ptp@unitar.org**

FEES AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

WHAT IS THE TUITION FEE FOR THE PROGRAMME?
The tuition fee for the full programme is:
- **Full-Time** (1 Year): €10,000.
- **Part-Time** (2 Years): €15,000.

For more information on the costs, payments, or any related questions please check the links below:
- **About Fees and Founding**
- **Paying Fees Online**

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