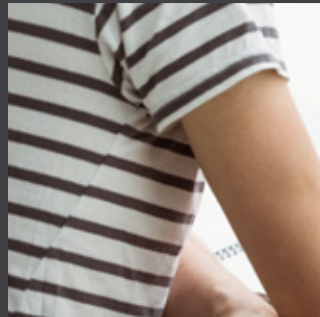
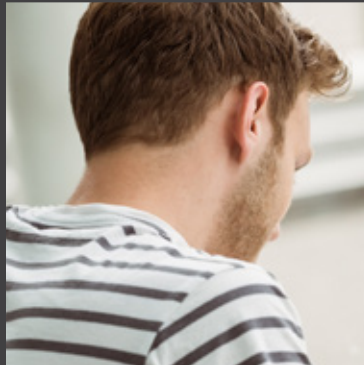


MSc Finance

(Banking and Risk Management)

CKL19



MASTERS OF  
**FINANCE (BANKING AND  
RISK MANAGEMENT)**

The MSc Finance (Banking and Risk Management) programme involves the advanced study of the practices of investment, banking and risk management, including topics such as: Asset Pricing; Portfolio Management; International Finance; Financial Institutions; Capital Markets; Treasury Management; Derivative Securities and Risk Management.

This programme also involves an applied research project, using cutting-edge techniques and software.

As well as providing a rigorous grounding in theory and methods, the programme will provide students with the practical skills and techniques widely used in financial markets.

The programme covers much of the CFA Levels 1-3 syllabus and includes regular presentations and workshops from external practitioners.

Students will also manage their own simulated asset portfolio on-line throughout the year, putting theory into practice.



The MSc Finance (Banking and Risk Management) is at the top end of graduate study in business / finance in Ireland and is designed for high achievers who wish to pursue high-end careers in financial markets, such as:

- Investment Banking
- Corporate Banking
- Trading / Dealing
- Portfolio Management
- Asset Pricing
- Treasury
- Capital Markets (Equity, Money, Bond, Fx And Derivatives Markets)
- Risk Management
- Financial Analysis
- Research

#### **UNIQUE ASPECTS**

- Close to 100% employment record since its inception.
- At the top end of graduate study in business and finance in Ireland
- Provides students with the practical skills and techniques widely used in financial markets
- Manage a simulated asset portfolio on-line throughout the year to put theory into practice

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Communicate and work effectively to a high professional standard
- Demonstrate advanced analytical and problem solving skills associated with effective practice
- Engage in advanced application of frameworks and techniques in organisational settings
- Design and undertake independent research and analysis to be written up in a succinct and readable manner
- Be globally aware and locally engaged

## PRACTICALITIES & ASSESSMENT

### Practicalities

Students attend lectures for approximately 12 hours per week.

There are additional research workshop hours and students will also attend regular visiting speaker seminars and practical laboratory sessions.

### Assessment

Course work will be assessed by projects (30%) and final examinations (70%).

Programme Code: **CKL19**  
Duration: **1 year (Full-time),  
2 years (Part-time)**  
Teaching Mode: **Classroom**  
Qualification: **MSc**  
NFQ Level: **Level 9**



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WHAT OUR STUDENTS & GRADUATES  
**SAY ABOUT US...**

“WHEN I STARTED  
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“I started looking into the available masters in finance, the highly quantitative nature of this course caught my eye straight away. Every employer at the time was looking for candidates with strong quantitative and analytical skills.

These credentials are still very much in demand today, if not more so than when I graduated. This course gave me a much greater understanding of how global markets actually work and the financial theories upon which they are based.

During the lectures we were encouraged to ask questions and to get involved. In addition, the assignments were very well thought out.

The vast majority were real work problems that pushed us to think outside the box and not just to come back with generic solutions.

Having completed this course, it helps me every day in my role with Investec Bank where I am responsible for providing cash & foreign exchange management, and other treasury services to the bank's corporate and institutional clients, to help them achieve their strategic goals.

Each client has different needs so every solution has to be tailor made.”

**PETER CORCORAN**  
**Corporate Treasury**  
**Investec Bank**

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS 2019

### Irish/EU Students and International Students

To apply for this programme,  
you will have:

Minimum 2H1 (GPA 3.25 out of 4.0)  
in a degree [NFQ Level 8] or equivalent  
in a business subject or subject with a  
quantitative element. Applicants who  
do not meet criteria above but who  
have sufficient relevant professional  
experience may be considered.

### English Language Requirement:

Applicants from non-native English-speaking  
countries will be required to undertake a  
recognised English language test.

Please see accepted tests and minimum  
requirements below.

#### IELTS: 6.5

With no individual section lower than 5.5

#### TOEFL: 90

With minimum scores as follows:

- Listening: 17      - Reading: 18
- Speaking: 20    - Writing: 17

**Cambridge Proficiency Exam:** Grade C

**Cambridge Advanced Exam:** Grade B

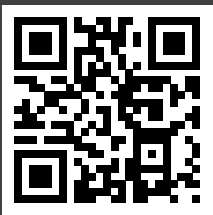
**Pearson PTE:** Minimum Score of 63

With no section score below 59

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Application for this programme is online  
at the Postgraduate Application Centre  
[www.pac.ie/ucc](http://www.pac.ie/ucc) (PAC Code: CKL19)

For more information on the Programme:



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