

### **Spatial Regeneration** School of Planning, Architecture, and Civil Engineering



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# Spatial Regeneration

#### Degree awarded

MSc in Spatial Regeneration

#### Duration & mode of study

MSc: 1 year full-time

#### **Course description**

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This one-year programme is offered to students who have successfully completed the BSc programme in Environmental Planning, but is also available to other graduates, particularly those from the built environment professions and those involved in community development, urban regeneration, and certain fields in public sector provision, local government and the voluntary sector. The course offers students the opportunity to study the various spatial planning dimensions of regeneration at local, regional and national scales, with particular emphasis on the international comparative perspective. All modules contain a significant practice-orientated component that focuses on developing the skills and knowledge necessary for working effectively in the 'real world'.

The MSc course is accredited by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) as the final part of a 'three plus one' route to professional accreditation for students who have completed the BSc programme in Environmental Planning, or other accredited undergraduate programmes, and by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) (Planning and Development Faculty). It is not a Planning 'conversion' course for incoming graduates from other disciplines – students interested in such a course should apply to the MSc Environmental Planning Course (see http://www.qub.ac.uk/ep/ admissions/pgp\_msc-ep.html). The MSc course is one of two specialist Masters programmes designed to complete the 'three plus one' route to professional accreditation—the other is the MSc in Urban and Rural Design. These programmes share some lecture courses and practical projects as there is significant overlap in the respective fields of study – in project situations students from the Spatial Regeneration programme will generally be allocated different, but complementary, functions from those of the Urban and Rural Design students, in line with their different professional orientations.

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#### **Course objective**

The course is designed to take students from generalist undergraduate planning backgrounds, and through an intensive programme of project work, lectures, seminars, study visits and supervised research, prepare them for a career in environmental planning, urban regeneration and related fields of practice. The programme of tuition is overseen by a Professional Partnership Board of practitioners, academics, and members of the Institute which ensures that the knowledge, skills and value awareness imparted during education and training are relevant and up-to-date. While the course places special emphasis on planning in an Irish context, attention is also directed to transferable spatial competencies within a broad European and international context.

#### **Module Details**

Study is spread over three semesters, involving seven modules, amounting to 180 CAT credit points. MSc students must complete a thesis or work-based study over the three month summer period, as well as being assessed at a high standard throughout. Modules common to the MSc Spatial Regeneration and MSc Urban and Rural Design programmes are: Design and Regeneration, Evaluation of Development (Spatial Literacy in Regeneration), Approaches to Property Development and the Professional Practice Project. All of these are worth 20 CATS credit points each. Specific to the MSc Spatial Regeneration programme is the Spatial Regeneration Thesis/ Work-Based Study which is worth 60 CAT credit points, Local and Regional Sustainability and Planning in Contested Space.

## Entry requirements and selection procedure

Entry to the MSc will normally require an undergraduate honours degree in planning or related subjects from an approved institution at a grade of 2.2 or above. Further criteria may be set by the School if the number of applications exceeds the maximum student intake.

#### **Scholarships**

For information about fees and possible scholarships please contact the Academic and Student Affairs Office (www.qub.ac.uk/ directorates/AcademicStudentAffairs ).

## Requests for further information can be addressed to:

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