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GAILLIMHE  
UNIVERSITY  
OF GALWAY

Coláiste na nDán, na nEolaíochtaí  
Sóisialta & an Léinn Cheiltigh  
College of Arts, Social Sciences  
& Celtic Studies

# MA IN TRANSLATION STUDIES

College of Arts, Social  
Sciences and Celtic Studies




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# University of Galway, *At a glance*




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*World top*  
**34**  
for UN-SDGs  
Times Higher Education  
Impact Ranking

**€71m**   
research fund  
**>50** research collaborations  
with industry in 2021

**1<sup>st</sup>**  
in Ireland for  
sustainable  
development  
Times Higher Education  
Impact Ranking

**Top 2%**   
of universities in the  
QS World rankings

With over  
**19,000**  
students  
 **18%** of which are  
**122** international  
students from  
countries

Most  
**biodiverse**  
university campus in Ireland



# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

This one-year taught Master's programme provides graduates with advanced linguistic and technical training to prepare them for careers as professional translators in a globalised world. Designed for students who are proficient in English and hold a degree in ONE OR MORE of the following languages, **French, Gaeilge, German, Italian, or Spanish**, the programme combines academic depth with hands-on professional training.

The MA in Translation Studies equips students with a versatile set of **linguistic, cultural, and transferable skills** that are increasingly in demand across industries. Graduates emerge as **skilled communicators, cultural mediators, and advocates for cross-cultural dialogue**, ready to make meaningful contributions in international and multilingual contexts.





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# COURSE CONTENT

CORE MODULES (30 ECTS)	OPTIONAL MODULES (30 ECTS)	MINOR DISSERTATION (30 ECTS)
TRANSLATION THEORY AND PRACTICE	AUDIOVISUAL TRANSLATION (Subtitling)	Students taking the MA in Translation Studies are required to submit a minor dissertation of approx. 20,000 words. It may be written in either English or one of the other working languages of the programme (French, German, Gaeilge, Italian, Spanish). Some of our students choose to undertake a more <b>practical dissertation</b> (consisting of an original translation of a substantial text accompanied by a critical commentary).
ADVANCED LANGUAGE SKILLS I	TRANSLATION METHODOLOGY (Translation Memory Tools)	
GRADUATE RESEARCH SKILLS IN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES	LANGUAGE, GENDER AND POWER	
	APPLIED LINGUISTICS AND MULTILINGUALISM	
	PSYCHOLINGUISTICS OF MULTILINGUALISM	<b>TOTAL: 90 ECTS</b>



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# 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE AN MA IN TRANSLATION STUDIES

1

Advance your written (and oral) communication skills in English and ONE or more additional languages;

2

Gain an appreciation for how translation theory can help you in assessing and solving an array of translation problems;

3

Learn how and when to use a range of cutting-edge translation technologies;

4

Get an insight into both the translation industry and a cohort of different specialisms;

5

Open yourself to a range of careers.

# INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE

In-house Translator (for international organisations, NGOs, government bodies, major multinational companies or LSPs)

Freelance Translator

Project Manager (in a translation company in Ireland and abroad)

Editor, Proofreader or Quality Controller

Software/Videogame Localiser

Subtitler and Audio Describer



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# BUT... WHY THE ONE AT GALWAY?

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# 5 COMPETENCES THAT YOU WILL DEVELOP THROUGHOUT THE PROGRAMME

LINGUISTIC AND CULTURAL COMPETENCE

TRANSLATORIAL COMPETENCE

TECHNOLOGICAL COMPETENCE

PERSONAL AND INTERPERSONAL COMPETENCE

PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE (as a language service provider)





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# BENEFIT FROM YOUR LECTURERS' EXPERTISE AND A VERY ACTIVE RESEARCH COMMUNITY



Research Projects (i.e., PIETRA, VICO, MISTE, CLTS)

Conferences (i.e., TSNi Conference in 2024 and Trexuality Conference in 2025) and guest speakers

Translator in Residence (in collaboration with Literature Ireland) from 2024

The “Translation Café” Series



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# TAILOR YOUR COURSE TO YOUR INTERESTS AND INTERNATIONALIZE YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE



“Connecting Cultures:  
Sustainability, Travel,  
Translation & Migration”;

“Language for  
Environmental Futures”



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# KEEP TABS ON VERY INTERESTING INTERNSHIPS AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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**Any questions?**

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