



## **Postgraduate Diploma in Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment**

### **UNEP GEMS/Water Capacity Development Centre (CDC) Bursary**

Each Bursary is worth €500 and can be awarded to students from developing countries who have been approved by the UNEP GEMS/Water Global Programme Coordination Unit (GPCU) and applied to commence the PGDip in Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment in September 2021. Awards to the value of the **tuition fees for Year One** will be paid directly to the Fees Office of University College Cork. There may be a possibility of further financial support for **Year Two depending on the progress** made by the student **and on the availability of funds**. Students will need to meet the following criteria to be eligible for a bursary:

- The applicant must have applied and been accepted for the PGDip in Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment.
- Each applicant must have provided an application for reduced fees to UNEP GEMS/Water CDC and have been approved by UNEP GEMS/Water GPCU for reduced fees.

Meeting the criteria above does not guarantee an applicant an award.

Applicants should complete the statement below outlining the significance of undertaking the PGDip in Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment and the potential benefit to their organization as a result of the applicant completing the course. **Bursary applications** can be sent to the UNEP GEMS/Water CDC email address ([gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie](mailto:gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie)) **before 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021**.

### **UNEP GEMS/Water CDC Bursary Application**

Candidates will be selected for the award of a bursary according to their suitability. To assist in this process, you are requested to provide the following information.

Why is it important to you to complete the PGDip in Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment? (250 words)

How will this award benefit your organisation and country in the future? Also, highlight your involvement with water quality. (250 words)

How do you think you can contribute to UNEP GEMS/Water within your own country? (250 words)

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# Application Process

## Step One:

Submit your application for reduced fees to [gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie](mailto:gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie) . You can find the application form here: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/gemsdc/onlinecourses/>

## Step Two:

To apply for the PGDip in Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment you will need to go to the following link: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/apply/>. Click on **Apply Now** and create an account. Once you have created your account, you can apply for the PGDip:

### Programme Selection

**Academic Level \***

Please select the type of programme you wish to apply for. Once you have selected the appropriate category you will be able to select your programme.

Postgraduate Taught

**Course Type \***

Postgraduate Diploma

**Academic Programme \***

Freshwater Quality Monitoring and Assessment Online - Postgraduate Diploma

**Academic Term \***

Anticipated Entry Term

Autumn 2021

**Mode of Study \***

You are not eligible to apply for a part-time campus based programme if you require a **visa**. You may be offered the full-time option instead.

Part-time

Upload all the relevant documentation in your application. Please, be aware of the entry requirements for the course (<https://www.ucc.ie/en/ckr55/>). You do not need to pay the application fee at this stage.

### **Step Three:**

Please send the completed bursary application to [gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie](mailto:gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie) before the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021.

### **Step Four:**

Once you have uploaded all the necessary documentation required for the PGDip and sent the application for reduced fees and bursary, the UNEP GEMS/Water CDC can send you a code for the application fee on the system to be waived.

Please Note, the bursary is a competitive process, and you will be contacted in July by the UNEP GEMS/Water CDC team as to whether **you have or have not** been successful.

**Any queries please contact UNEP GEMS/Water CDC @ [gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie](mailto:gemsdcadmin@ucc.ie)**