



Overview

Both the Certificate in Pensions, Investment and Insurance and the Higher Diploma in Pensions Management have received accreditation from Quality and Qualifications Ireland and are on the National Framework of Qualifications.

Our full Diploma in Pensions Management and Policy consists of eight modules in total. Students who complete the first five modules and received the award of Certificate in Business in Pensions Insurance and Investment are accredited a Member of the IIPM and may use the designation MIIPM.

The Certificate award will also satisfy the Minimum Competency Regulations of the Central Bank of Ireland in 3 key areas – Pensions, Life Assurance, and Savings and Investments.

Upon successful completion of all eight modules graduates will have attained Level 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications, become an Associate of the IIPM and entitled to use the highly desired AIIPM designation.

Certificate in Pensions, Investment and Insurance

This programme provides learners with comprehensive knowledge and competence relating to Life Assurance, Savings and Investment, Pensions and Retirement Planning, Retirement Funding and General Taxation.

It incorporates the fields of Corporate Benefit Design, Operational Governance, Financial Risk Management, Financial Planning, Financial Regulation and Government Policy. The programme also develops students' transversal skills in the areas of communication, written and oral, active listening, relationship management, problem-solving and business awareness.

Course Highlights

- The programme was developed in consultation with the financial services industry and with the regulator.
- It is a professional designation that was specifically designed to meet the Central Bank's Minimum Competency Code (MCC) requirements for selling and advising on Life Assurance, Pensions, Savings and Investment. The code sets out the minimum professional standards for persons providing certain financial services, in particular when dealing with consumers.
- Graduates will also be awarded membership of the Irish Institute of Pensions Management (IIPM) and permitted to use the designation MIIPM (subject to application to the IIPM). This designation is supported by all the large industry players including the Pensions Regulator.
- The programme is delivered by experts from both the college and the industry.
- Two intakes per year, February and September.

Career Progression

The programme is designed to jump-start a career in the financial services industry. It is ideally suited to graduates from Accountancy, Business, Finance, IT, Human Resources, Law and related disciplines who wish to join Ireland's large and growing financial services industry or learners who wish to advance their career in the financial services.

Higher Diploma in Pensions Management

The course provides learners with comprehensive knowledge and competence relating to pensions and retirement planning, including pensions legislation, taxation, insurance and investment, long-term financing, regulation and government policy. The course also develops the employees' softer skills in the areas of communication, written and oral, active listening, relationship management, problem solving and business awareness.

The programme enhances and develops the learners' knowledge of pensions and retirement planning principles and the evaluative skills to apply this knowledge to the issues facing individuals, companies and scheme trustees.

Course Highlights

- Excellent reputation within industry
- Superb networking and mentoring opportunities within the Institute
- Part-time blended learning approach supported by convenient city centre location
- Endorsed by the Pensions Regulator
- A proven stepping stone to senior career opportunities
- Two intakes per year, February and September.

Career Progression

The programme is designed to continue development in a career in the financial services industry. It is ideally suited to those working as a consultant in the pensions industry, qualified to advise clients (employers, trustees and individuals) and colleagues on all matters relating to pensions in a professional, expert and comprehensible manner. It also suits those working in administration, technical, and support roles within pension organisations.

For further information, go to www.iipm.ie

