

Higher Diploma in Business in AQUABUSINESS

This course is designed to cater for those looking to enter management, financial, Research and Development or regulatory roles in fisheries, aquaculture, seafood processing and related fields. This innovative course may also appeal to those looking to start an aquabusiness company or expand an existing company into new markets.

COURSE CONTENT

Developed in partnership with Board Iascaigh Mhara (BIM - Ireland's Seafood Development Agency), this programme offers modules in:

- Aquabusiness Environment*
- Law and Regulation for Aquabusiness*
- Strategic and Innovation Management*
- Financial Management and Planning*
- Marketing Management in Aquabusiness*
- Work Placement or Work Based Project

*Available as individual module certificates at Level 8

COURSE FEES 2020 - 2021

The full course fee is €2,500, however, fees could be reduced if paid in full by 7th September 2020 and/or if candidates are successful in securing EMFF grant aid. Individual certificates are €450.

Applications are invited on the BIM grants portal www.bim.flexigrant.com for European Maritime Fisheries Fund (EMFF) assistance towards the cost of this programme. Grant aid of 50% of course fees and learner support costs are available for individuals in the sector.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- NFQ Level 7 or level 8 Award or equivalent in a related discipline.
- Candidates who do not have a Level 7 or higher award but have other relevant industry experience may be eligible for the programme through RPL. Candidates may be required to attend an interview.

COURSE DELIVERY

For the beginning of this academic year we will be delivering the course through blended learning. The course is timetabled to take place every fortnight on Fridays and on Saturdays from 10-4pm over the academic year.

Course Start: September 2020

Closing date for applications: Friday, 4th September 2020

Open to candidates from the **SEAFOOD INDUSTRY** including fisheries, aquaculture & seafood processing

Supported by:

- Irish South and East Fish Producers Organisation (ISEFPO)
- Irish South and West Fish Producers Organisation (IS&WFPO)
- Women in Fisheries Network (WIFN)

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"I think it is a very positive development for Ireland to have a course such as this and would encourage those working in fisheries, aquaculture or seafood processing to engage with it"

Sigurður Bogason -
University of Iceland