

Professional Diploma in **Corporate Treasury**



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Irish Association of
Corporate Treasurers

Who we are

IOB

IOB is a professional community of over 32,100 members who work in banking and the international financial services sector. Professional development of our members through education is at the heart of what we do. IOB provides university level programmes to enable our members achieve and sustain their professional qualifications and Continuing Professional Development (CPD) - essential in meeting customer and regulatory expectations.

Excellence in education – a recognised college of UCD

As a recognised college of University College Dublin (UCD) and the standout financial services educator, we offer qualifications of the highest standard. We currently have more than 40 programmes ranging from Professional Certificates and Diplomas (level 7) on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) to Masters Degrees (level 9). We design our programmes to be practical and relevant, and grounded in academic rigour

Irish Association of Corporate Treasurers (IACT)

The Irish Association of Corporate Treasurers (IACT) is the representative body for treasury and finance professionals in Ireland. Founded to promote the practice and education of corporate treasury professionals, the IACT provides a platform for knowledge sharing, professional development, and networking across corporate, financial, and public sectors. Through advocacy, education, and thought leadership, the IACT supports its members in navigating the evolving financial landscape, strengthening treasury practice, and contributing to the growth and resilience of Irish businesses and the wider economy.

Welcome

As President of the Irish Association of Corporate Treasurers (IACT), I am delighted to introduce the Professional Diploma in Corporate Treasury, developed in partnership with IOB and accredited by University College Dublin. This programme represents a significant milestone in the advancement of treasury education in Ireland, and reflects our shared commitment to promoting excellence, professionalism, and continuous development within the treasury community.

Treasury has become a strategic discipline at the heart of organisational resilience and growth. The demands on treasury professionals today are evolving rapidly – from managing liquidity and financial risks, to supporting commercial decision-making and navigating complex global markets. This diploma has been designed to equip current and aspiring treasury professionals with the technical expertise, strategic insight, and practical tools required to excel in this environment. It aims to build capability not only in core treasury areas, but also in leadership, judgement, and governance.

We are particularly proud that this programme supports a broader ambition to create greater access and opportunity within the treasury profession. Whether you are taking your first step towards a career in treasury, seeking to deepen your specialist capabilities, or progressing towards a leadership role, we hope this diploma provides the foundation to help you grow, contribute and lead with confidence. We look forward to welcoming you into the IACT treasury community and supporting your development throughout your journey.



Jason Murphy
President, Irish Association of
Corporate Treasurers (IACT)

About the programme

IOB is delighted to be working with the Irish Association of Corporate Treasurers (IACT) as its education partner to develop this exciting new programme – the Professional Diploma in Corporate Treasury. This programme is at level 9 on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) and is accredited by UCD. It will equip finance professionals with the strategic and technical expertise required to excel in modern treasury functions, encouraging the study and best practice of treasury management in Ireland.

The Professional Diploma in Corporate Treasury is a specialist programme designed to equip finance professionals with the strategic and technical expertise required to excel in modern treasury functions. Participants will learn to develop and critically evaluate treasury policies and governance frameworks, and will acquire practical and advanced skills in cash and liquidity management, and financial market risks management using appropriate treasury instruments including derivatives for managing interest rate, foreign exchange, and commodity risks. Participants will also gain insight into capital structure strategies and funding options within a corporate context.

Who is the programme for?

- Finance professionals – aiming to specialise in treasury functions, especially those seeking managerial or strategic roles in corporate finance.
- Mid-career finance professionals – those already working in finance, accounting, or banking who want to pivot into treasury or deepen their expertise in liquidity, risk, and cash management.
- Professionals in multinational corporations or financial institutions – especially those managing cross-border cash flows, foreign exchange risk, or working capital optimisation.

This programme is designed to meet the needs of:

- **Corporate finance professionals**
Individuals involved in financial planning, capital structure, or risk management who want to gain a more holistic understanding of treasury operations.
- **Accountants seeking treasury specialisation**
Qualified accountants (e.g., ACCA) looking to broaden their skill set.
- **Aspiring or current treasury managers**
Providing the skills needed to operate at a managerial level, making it ideal for those targeting leadership roles in treasury departments.

How will you benefit

This programme has been designed to enable you to:

- Develop and critically assess treasury policies and governance frameworks taking account of the strategic role, structure and operations of the corporate treasury function
- Apply advanced techniques in cash and liquidity management
- Identify, measure, and manage financial market risks using appropriate treasury instruments including derivatives for managing interest rate, foreign exchange, and commodity risks
- Analyse capital structure strategies and funding options including raising capital and dealing with investors and the role of credit ratings, the different agencies, the rating process and the implications for funding and risk
- Communicate treasury concepts to peers and non experts in order to support practical organisational decision-making
- Identify areas for further learning with respect to treasury management as it relates to their current role and future ambitions.

Curriculum

NFQ: Level 9

Academic credits: 20 ECTS

Modules: 2

Awarding body: UCD

The Professional Diploma in Corporate Treasury is comprised of two modules as follows:

01 Corporate Treasury Operations, Policy and Liquidity

02 Applied Treasury Risk Management and Capital Structure Strategy

01 Corporate Treasury Operations, Policy and Liquidity

(NFQ level 9, 10 ECTS)

On completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Describe the purpose, responsibilities, and organisational role of corporate treasury.
- Devise treasury policy and related governance processes.
- Apply tools for effective cash management, including forecasting and pooling.
- Identify, analyse, and propose solutions to liquidity risk issues using practical techniques.

02 Applied Treasury Risk Management and Capital Structure Strategy

(NFQ level 9, 10 ECTS)

Upon completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Explain the sources and nature of financial market risks from a Treasurers perspective.
- Apply derivative instruments to manage interest rate, FX, commodity, and credit risks.
- Evaluate advanced hedging strategies including options and structured solutions.
- Analyse and optimise corporate capital structures aligned with financial objectives.
- Assess funding mechanisms and manage investor and credit rating agency relationships.

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Award

When you successfully complete this programme, you will be awarded a Professional Diploma in Corporate Treasury from UCD.

This is a special purpose award and a level 9 qualification on the National Framework of Qualifications.

Designation

Graduates of this programme will be eligible for a professional designation awarded by the Irish Association of Corporate Treasurers, recognising their expertise in corporate treasury practice.

Entry Requirements

The entry requirements to the Professional Diploma in Corporate Treasury are as follows:

- An Honours degree (second class grade 2 award or higher) in business or cognate discipline (e.g. economics, accounting, information technology) or professional qualification in business or cognate discipline (e.g. ACA, ACCA, CPA)

or

- Admission may also be considered for experienced professionals who do not meet the admission requirements as set out above, where they can demonstrate knowledge through their work (i.e., they have more than 5 years' experience in a management role (to be considered on a case-by-case basis).

Professional Body Membership

You must be a current member, or become a member of IOB or IACT, to undertake this programme.

Delivery

The programme is delivered online and in person.

Assessment

Assessment is by way of a continuous assessment and examination.

Fees

The programme fee is €3,520.

How to apply

For further information, please visit iob.ie/programme/corporate-treasury

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