



The Chartered Institution of Wastes Management

Open University – Diploma in Pollution Control

In addition to the Open University's Bachelors and Masters degrees the Open University's Faculty of Mathematics, Computing and Technology offers a 120 CATS points Undergraduate Diploma in Pollution Control. This Diploma is accredited by CIWM and along with a relevant degree plus 1 years experience meets the academic requirements of the grade of Licentiate Member (LCIWM). It can be combined with other courses to obtain one of a number of honours degrees including the MEng, BEng, BSc (Technology), BSc/BA (Environmental Studies) or a general BSc or BA. An Honours degree that includes the Diploma meets the academic requirements for Membership of CIWM (MCIWM, Chartered Waste manager).

The Diploma consists of two courses; the second level course Environmental Control and Public Health (T210) and the third level course Environmental Monitoring, Modelling and Control (T308). These courses cover the areas of wastes management, water supply and treatment, air quality management, noise assessment and control, food production and supply and environmental impact assessment. Students who have completed the predecessor to either of these courses can also gain the Diploma (although additional study may be required in some cases). It normally takes two years of part-time study to complete the Diploma.

Both T210 and T308 are presented using the Open University's unique method of supported open learning. Students are provided with specially-produced course materials in book, experimental kit, video computer software formats. Each student has a personal tutor to provide feedback on written assignments and guidance by face-to-face tutorials, email and telephone. Students study at their own pace and over 75% of our students remain in full-time employment during their studies.

The Diploma in Pollution Control meets a number of needs:

- it provides a qualification in a much shorter time than a traditional degree programme;
- it provides continuous professional development (CPD) to those undergoing or planning to undergo a career change;
- it provides the academic study for those wishing to obtain professional qualifications (such as MCIWM);
- it provides an identifiable and specialised line of study;
- it provides practical experience in environmental monitoring and in the production of environmental impact assessments.

Further details of the Diploma and of all other Open University courses and qualifications can be found on www.open.ac.uk or by calling 0845 300 60 90.