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INFORMATION ON

**FELLOWSHIP OF THE
FACULTY OF NURSING
AND MIDWIFERY
(FFNMRCSI) AWARD**

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FELLOWSHIP OF THE FACULTY OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY (FFNMRC SI) AWARD

The Fellowship of the Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery RCSI (FFNMRC SI) is exclusively offered by the RCSI University of Medicine and Health Sciences and is one of the most prestigious professional qualifications awarded to nurses and midwives.

RCSI UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES

RCSI University of Medicine and Health Sciences is an international not-for-profit university, with its headquarters in Dublin. Our exclusive focus is on education and research to drive improvements in human health worldwide. We are among the top 250 universities worldwide in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings and our research is ranked first in Ireland for citations. We have ranked fifth in the world for SDG3 'Good Health and Wellbeing' in THE University Impact Rankings four times in the last five years and have retained the highest position of any European University for SDG3 in 2024. We have also been awarded the Athena Swan Bronze accreditation for positive gender practice in higher education.

FACULTY OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY

Established in 1974, the RCSI Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery plays a pivotal role in leading and supporting the development of the nursing and midwifery professions nationally through the delivery of transformative learning experiences, impactful research in the areas of professional development and supporting the contribution of nurses and midwives to healthcare and societal well-being. The Faculty continues to expand its strategic impact nationally and internationally through exciting collaborations and alliances with leaders, researchers and influencers from local and global organisations.



FELLOWSHIP BY EXAMINATION (FFNMRCISI)

The Fellowship by Examination of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery RCSI is a prestigious award that has been in existence since 1982. The Fellowship is open to any nurse or midwife, from any jurisdiction and from any scope of practice -clinical, research, education, leadership/management- and from any clinical speciality, from primary to tertiary care and across the lifespan.

Professions such as medicine, engineering and architecture provide for a Fellowship as it is viewed as an award that links to the significant contribution made by professionals to their profession, society and in the case of nursing/midwifery to patients, service users, colleagues and students.

FELLOWSHIP AWARD PROCESS

1. Applicants complete an online portfolio of evidence via the Faculty's ePortfolio
2. The portfolio enables the applicant to demonstrate how they have contributed to healthcare and developed their capacity, competence and capability across the domains of autonomy, professional and clinical leadership, expertise and research
3. The portfolio is reviewed by two Internal Examiners
4. Applicants are invited to a Viva Voce (Oral Examination) where the portfolio of evidence will be explored through a critical discussion between the applicant and two examiners. The Viva Voce examination will last about 40 minutes and will take place in person or virtually. In order to be awarded the Fellowship by Examination applicants must successfully complete the Viva Voce examination
5. An External Examiner reviews all aspects of the process ensuring that standards and quality assurance processes are maintained.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must possess a Master's degree in nursing, midwifery or related/applied field and be a registered nurse/midwife with a minimum of five years' experience.

SUBMISSION AND EXAMINATION DATES

Submission date for the portfolio **Wednesday 15 April 2026.**

Viva voce examination will take place **May 2026.**

Conferring takes place in **December 2026.**



FELLOWSHIP BENEFITS

Being a Fellow of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery means that you are part of an extensive professional network of nurses and midwives, nationally and internationally.

FELLOWS OF THE FACULTY CAN NOW ENJOY THE FOLLOWING ANNUAL BENEFITS:

1. Invitation to an annual Programme of Fellows, Members and Friends' Events and Faculty Events
2. Opportunities to interact and network with professional colleagues
3. Membership of professional groups is highly valued as a means of demonstrating professional interest and motivation; it makes explicit individual priorities and professional commitment and is considered a competitive advantage in terms of seeking new job opportunities
4. One years membership of Sigma Omega Epsilon at Large Irish branch
5. Eligibility to apply for our exclusive Fellows and Members PhD and Professional Doctorate Scholarship award
6. Opportunities to engage in Faculty activities such as teaching and examining
7. Discounted rates for the Annual International Conference
8. Discounted rates on Faculty CPD programmes and activities
9. Preferred access and discounted hire rates of College facilities for professional and social activities
10. Access to RCSI Travel.

INTERACTIVE INFORMATION SESSIONS

WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT
JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2026

with **Denise McKernan**, Programme Lead,
Centre for Nursing and Midwifery
Advancement and **Ms Eimear Frew**,
Faculty Administrator.



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