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PHD AND PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

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The Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery RCSI will award five PhD / Professional Doctoral Scholarships, each to the maximum value of €12,000 per year for up to five years of full time study, or pro-rata for up to seven years of part time study. Applications are open to Fellows and Members of the Faculty who meet the application criteria.

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

Please submit the completed application form to: facurse@rcsi.ie

Applications must be typed – handwritten applications will not be accepted.

Applications must be no more than 11 A4 pages in length excluding references and appendices.

Applications must be made using the PhD and Professional Doctorate Scholarship Award Application Form and typed using Arial or Calibri font size 11, single spaced, and left aligned.

Applications must demonstrate how the proposed research aligns with the eligibility and scope criteria as outlined in the PhD and Professional Doctorate Award information brochure.

Each proposal will be scored out of 100 marks across five criteria. Applicants must achieve a minimum threshold of 70% of the total marks available and at least 50% of the available marks for each criterion. Proposals which meet this threshold will then be ranked and scholarships awarded on the basis of the overall scores. Applications will be scored according to:

- The quality of the proposal (30 marks)
- Training & career development plan (15 marks)
- Dissemination, communication and impact (15 marks)
- Relevance to the research strategy of the Faculty (10 marks)
- Interdisciplinarity (10 marks)
- Experience of supervisor(s) in the relevant area (20 marks)

Applications must be submitted by the closing date and time as posted on the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery website. For further information and to download the application form, please visit

<https://www.rcsi.com/dublin/about/faculty-of-nursing-and-midwifery>

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TENTATIVE RESEARCH TITLE

APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant name:

Applicant address:

Applicant phone (mobile/ home):

Applicant phone (work):

Applicant email:

Applicant Nationality:

English Language Competency (if non-native English speakers)

If you are a non-native English speaker, please tick to indicate whether you have/ have not the minimum competence in English Language, as specified in the regulations for non-native English speakers.
<https://www.rcsi.com/dublin/postgraduate/policies-and-guidelines/english-language-requirements>

Please tick:

I meet the criteria

I do not meet the criteria

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DETAILS OF PREVIOUS QUALIFICATIONS AND RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Title of Degree Award

Level/Class of Award (Class / GPA e.g. 1.1, H1, 4.0. See <https://www.scholaro.com/gpa-calculator/Ireland>)

Name of Awarding Body & Institution Attended

Taught or Research programme

Period of Attendance

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Relevant professional experience:

List any relevant work and professional experience from most to least recent

Previous publications and conference presentations:

List any previous publications and / or conference presentations from most to least recent

RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Name of School within RCSI

Research programme of study:

Please state name of programme and whether part or full time

Type of programme PhD Professional Doctorate

Fees per year €

Expected date of entry to postgraduate research programme (Month/ Year)

Proposed Research Supervisor/s:

Proposed Supervisor/s

Name of RCSI School

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Proposed Supervisor Support:

Please indicate if your proposed supervisors have agreed to support this research proposal:

Yes No

[Proposals that do not have the support of a supervisor will not be processed by the Faculty]

[A letter of support from your proposed supervisor must be included as an attachment when emailing this form to the Faculty]

REFERENCES

Please provide the name and contact details of at least two people who can provide academic references

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2.

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RESEARCH PROPOSAL

This research proposal format may not be appropriate for articulating all types of research initiatives – for example, it may not be suitable (in its entirety) for articulating research of theoretical/ philosophical nature. The Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery PhD and Professional Doctorate Scholarship Review Panel require any deviation from this guiding framework to be accompanied by an explanation/ sound rationale as to why a different structure for the research proposal was required.

Section One: Overview of proposed research study

(max. 300 words in length)

Description of topic: to include (a) aims, objectives and central research questions of the proposal, (b) how existing literature on the topic has been used to inform the proposal and (c) how the proposal will advance state of the art and make a contribution to existing knowledge

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Section Two: Preliminary literature review

(max. 600 words in length)

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Section Three: Proposed research methodology

(max. 500 words in length)

Methodology to include (a) Description of the research design (b) methodologies and (c) analytic methods to be employed in carrying out the proposal. These should be described in sufficient detail to demonstrate a thorough understanding of the subject

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Section Four: Potential impact of the research and contribution to knowledge / practice

(max. 250 words in length)

Description of the plans for dissemination and knowledge exchange of the proposed research including publications, conference attendance, poster presentations, reports and outreach activities. Details should also be included as to how the impact of the research will be measured

Section Five: Preliminary costings

Section Six: Preliminary bibliography (no word limit)

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SUPERVISOR PROFILE

Supervisor name and title:

Supervisor work address

Supervisor phone (work):

Supervisor email:

Profile (including previous supervisory experience, number of PhD/MSc/MD supervised to completion,
number of current students)

Maximum 3 pages

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APPLICANT DECLARATION:

I certify that the information given in this document is correct. I understand that the awarding of a PhD and Professional Doctorate Scholarship Award is dependent on the information provided in this application. I understand that the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery reserve the right to withhold funding and to recuperate any funding provided if the information provided in this application is subsequently determined to be false or misleading.

I understand that it is my responsibility to determine the cost of my chosen programme of study and to self-fund any deficit or additional years of study that fall outside of the annual funding allowance or years of funding provided in this Scholarship.

If successful in this application, I consent to the use of my name, image, and details of my research in Faculty publications and marketing material.

I agree for a member of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery team to co-supervise my research.

I agree to identify a suitable academic supervisor at an RCSI School

I agree to furnish the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery with an annual progress report until completion of the research for Faculty oversight.

I agree to showcase my research with the Faculty, particularly at the Faculty's Annual International Conference, Annual Report, Fellows, Members and Friends' Events and at other relevant fora. I agree to present my research at a national conference within the first two years of study and an international conference within the first four.

I agree to provide the Faculty with any requested receipt, invoice etc. for the purpose of disbursing the award.

I agree to acknowledge the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery PhD and Professional Doctorate Scholarship Award and Faculty co-authorship in all outputs (such as presentations or publications) relating to the award.

Applicant electronic signature:

Date:

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SUPERVISOR DECLARATION:

I agree to act as primary supervisor for this applicant

Supervisor electronic signature:

Date:

I agree to act as joint primary / secondary supervisor for this applicant

Supervisor electronic signature:

Date:

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