

Non-EU Offerholder Fees and Funding FAQs

Total tuition and living costs

1. Can you confirm total tuition and living costs over duration of the programme?

The total cost of tuition for Non EU students joining RCSI in September 2021 (based on 2021/22 tuition fee rates) is as follows:

- Medicine (6 year) - €56,000 * 6 = €336,000
- Medicine (5 year) - €56,000 * 5 = €280,000
- Graduate Entry Medicine (4 year) - €57,500 * 4 = €230,000
- Master of Pharmacy (5 year) - €18,000 *5 = €90,000
- Graduate Entry Physiotherapy (3 year) - €18,000 *3 = €54,000
- Physiotherapy (4 year) – 18,000*4 = €72,000

The Non-EU Fees for Undergraduate Medicine and GEM are subject to annual increases. The inflationary increase has been in the order of 2% per annum for the past number of years.

Living costs range from approximately €12,000-€17,000 per annum depending on the type of accommodation chosen. For more information on cost of living, [please visit this page on the RCSI offerholder website](#).

Funding/Scholarships

1. Are there any funding/scholarship opportunities at RCSI?

There are currently no scholarships or financial loans available to Non EU students at RCSI. A number of our students either secure government scholarships in their home countries, private bank loans or financial aid funding. Please contact admissions@rcsi.ie if you require an official RCSI letter confirming details of your offer for the purposes of securing these scholarships or bank loans. The Student Fees office (Email: studentfees@rcsi.ie) also supports students with documentation requirements for federal aid loans and other government supported student loans. Please quote your RCSI applicant ID number in all correspondence with Admissions and Student Fees.

Deposits

1. What is RCSI's deposit refund policy?

RCSI will refund your deposit (and any additional tuition fee payments) in the following limited circumstances:

- a) If you do not meet the conditions of your offer after final exam results are released; or
- b) If you are unable to travel to Dublin to commence your studies due to ongoing COVID-19 related restrictions which are outside of your control, such as an inability to secure a long stay study visa or an inability to book flights from your home country to Dublin.

For further information, please email admissions@rcsi.ie

2. Can I get an extension to the deposit payment date?

We are not in a position to extend the deposit payment date beyond the 21 day deadline save for exceptional circumstances which are outside of the students' control, such as a lack of availability of domestic bank services due to ongoing Covid 19 restrictions. Please email admissions@rcsi.ie if you face challenging circumstances which prevent you from paying your deposit on time.

For students who wish to extend the payment date for other reasons, please note that second round offers are made after the original 21 day acceptance period ends and as a result, it is not possible to delay securing an RCSI Medicine, Pharmacy or Physiotherapy seat for September 2021 save for exceptional financial, personal or medical reasons.

3. Should I pay the deposit in Euro or can I pay in my own currency?

The bank accepts all currencies but please ensure that if you are paying in your local currency the amount transfers to the correct amount in euros, as depending on the currency exchange rate of the day the amount can change.

4. Transfermate is looking for my ID number, application number and invoice number? What are these?

Your applicant ID number (beginning 211 for 2021 entry applications) is your ID number and can also be used for application number and invoice number. Please always quote your 211 ID number in correspondence with RCSI, after registration this will become your student ID number.

5. Can I pay my deposit by credit card?

Please note that you can pay your deposit by credit card if you pay via transfermate. Otherwise, please make the deposit payment via electronic bank transfer as outlined in detail in your original offer letter.

6. Can I make the deposit payment in more than one instalment as the bank has a limit on the amount I can transfer per transaction?

Yes, you can make the deposit payment in more than one instalment, if for example, your bank will not allow the transfer to take place in one transaction. Please notify admissions@rcsi.ie before you make the transfer payment and confirm your RCSI applicant ID number in your email.

Fees payment plan

1. Do I need to pay the balance of fees in July prior to registration or can I pay in instalments throughout the year?

Tuition fees can be paid in full by the 1st of July 2021 or you can opt to pay in 2 instalments. Fee payment options are below:

- Tuition fees for the academic year paid in full by 1st of July 2021; or
- Half of tuition fees for the academic year paid by 1st of July 2021 and the balance paid by 31st of January 2022.

The Student Fees department will issue an invoice in January 2022 with details of the balance of fees due and how the payment can be submitted to all students who opted to pay in 2 instalments.

Receipts

1. Can you provide me with proof of payment of deposit or tuition fees, e.g. a receipt?

Yes, the Non EU Admissions Officer will email proof of payment as soon as your payment is received in the RCSI bank account. It can take between 3-5 working days for international bank transfers to appear on RCSI's bank account. If you have not received a receipt within one week of making the transfer, please email admissions@rcsi.ie with your RCSI student application number and a scanned copy of the fees transfer confirmation.

Financial Aid/Government loans

1. Can I apply for US Federal Aid loans as an RCSI student?

RCSI is on the list of recognised international universities in the US for Federal Student Aid loans purposes. Many of our US students successfully apply for and secure US Federal Student Aid loans to cover both tuition and living costs. We advise all US applicants seeking assistance on US Federal Student Aid applications to initially contact our North American educational partner based in California, USA - Atlantic Bridge. Please email Madina Ali at Atlantic Bridge at madina.ali@atlanticbridge.com for more details.

If you receive an offer from RCSI and intend to apply for US Federal Student Aid, please email USFedloans@rcsi.ie stating you have an offer and will be applying for US Federal Student Aid funding.

2. How are US federal aid loans distributed to RCSI students?

The initial deposit payment (i.e. €6,500) is not covered by the Federal Aid Loan, so all RCSI offerholders who apply for US Federal Aid must still make the deposit payment by their acceptance deadline date.

Once the US Federal Aid Loan application has been approved, the loan funds are transferred directly by the US Federal Aid Loan authorities to RCSI's Student Fees bank account. Based on your situation and decisions on how to utilise the loan, RCSI Student Fees retains any funds being used for tuition fees. If you are paying for RCSI oncampus accommodation through your loan, these funds are sent to the relevant RCSI department. Any amount of the loan being used to cover living expenses for the year ahead is usually issued to the student in two batches, at the start of each term (e.g. in September and January). Please email USFedloans@rcsi.ie for further information.

3. When should I start my loan application?

Our advice is to start the Federal Aid loan application process as soon as possible after you receive an offer and email the Student Fees office for assistance, as outlined above. Anyone who has not completed their side of the loans process by July 1st will be contacted by Admissions and/or Student Fees for either missing documents/application information or to pay the fees privately in the meantime.

4. Can I apply for Canadian federal or provincial loans as an RCSI student?

Yes, many of our Canadian students apply for federal or provincial loans in Canada to fund their tuition and living costs while studying at RCSI. If you require any forms to be completed by RCSI, please email studentfees@rcsi.ie

5. Is RCSI registered by the Canadian government as an OSAP approved school for student funding?

Yes, RCSI has many Canadian students who apply for OSAP and the RCSI Student Fees office support students in their applications by completing, signing and stamp approving a number of forms. Please email studentfees@rcsi.ie if you require OSAP forms to be completed.