

MASTERS (MSc) IN HUMAN FACTORS IN PATIENT SAFETY



IMPROVE THE SAFETY AND QUALITY OF PATIENT CARE

OVERVIEW

The Masters (MSc) in Human Factors in Patient Safety is a unique Masters programme for **healthcare professionals** who are **responsible for the care of acute hospital patients**. Accredited by the National University of Ireland (NUI), this qualification is positioned at Level 9 on the National Framework of Qualifications. The MSc is designed to advance participants' knowledge of error, risk and safety in healthcare, and to develop their personal, interpersonal and practical skills to drive safety initiatives and quality improvement in the acute hospital setting. Using state-of-the-art training and simulation facilities participants will enhance their professional profile with a programme that is unique and extremely relevant to healthcare in the 21st century.

CONTENT

The programme is designed to suit the busy schedules of all health professionals. It is delivered over **two-years** and is a **part-time programme** of study of blended learning - **online and face-to-face**. Students attend RCSI for face-to-face teaching for three days per module, structured as one full day per month. This is supplemented with online content and individual/ group-based learning activities. There are five taught modules which are **delivered by experts in human factors in patient safety** plus a research dissertation.

1. Error and Safety in Surgical Healthcare Communication
2. Personal Effectiveness and Non-Technical Skills
3. Leadership of Process and Quality Improvement
4. Professionalism and Advanced Communications
5. Research Methods

Participants can exit with a Postgraduate Certificate following the successful completion of 30 credits, and with a Postgraduate Diploma following the successful completion of 60 credits.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must hold either:

1. An **MB** and be registered with the Irish Medical Council or the General Medical Council in the UK, or;
2. A **primary degree in a health sciences** field with a qualification achieved at the level of 2.2 Honours.

All candidates must have evidence of **two years' work experience in acute hospital care** and must be currently working in the acute hospital setting and involved in the care of acute hospital patients.

FEES

Places on this programme are strictly limited to a maximum number of 20 students. Fees for the academic year 2019/2020 are as follows:

EU Students: €5,000 for Year 1 + €7,500 for Year 2; **Non-EU Students:** €10,000 for Year 1 + €15,000 for Year 2

CONTACT & APPLICATIONS

Applications are now open for the course starting in August 2019. Interested candidates can apply now at www.rcsi.ie/pghumanfactors. Any queries can be directed at emerpyke@rcsi.ie