



Masters (MSc) in Advanced Clinical Practice

FAQ's 2021

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I'm a prospective student and I'm worried about applying to RCSI

Please be assured that we are preparing to welcome our new students in September 2021 as scheduled. We understand that the COVID 19 pandemic is impacting all our colleagues on the frontline of healthcare and as such we envisage that the new academic year will commence in September 2021. We will be in contact with our students if there is any changes to schedule. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us at macp@rcsi.com.

Are Applications currently open?

Yes, we are accepting applications, to apply please visit the [course page](#) for a link to our programmes and online applications. The closing date for 2021 applications is the **31st May 2021**

Given the current situation, will I be required to attend an interview?

No interview will be required for this Taught master's programme

I have completed an online application for an upcoming course, when will I hear back?

Applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, offers will be allocated after the closing date.

If I am made an offer for September 2021, and my travel plans are delayed due to COVID-19 what should I do?

Please keep in regular contact with us and we will discuss all available options for you based on your circumstances.

Is this programme fully online?

We anticipate to have a number of face-to-face days on Campus for the 2021 academic year.

What procedures have you taken to make sure students will be safe on campus for Face-to-Face days during COVID-19?

- Physical distancing measures have been implemented across all RCSI campuses. Across the whole University, you will see a variety of implementations including; one-way systems, entrance and exit only locations, signage, screens, floor markings, new entrance and exit measures, plus additional measures to assist with maintaining physical distancing.
- All staff and students are required to complete a daily health questionnaire before attending the campus.
- All our classes take place in large rooms to ensure adequate social distancing and each of these rooms is linked to a filtered ventilation system which changes the air in the room multiple times each hour.



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What are the fees for this Masters Programme?

- **1 Year Programme Full-time MACPFT):**Fees: €5,950 + €45 NUI fee
- **2 Year Programme Part-time (MACPPT) :**Fees: €8,150 (€4,890 Year 1 + €3,260 Year 2 + NUI Fee €45 per year
- Please note that these fees are subject to annual review:

How can I manage payment for this Masters Programme?

Payment is made by instalments, for further information on this please email studentfees@rcsi.ie.

Will there be an extension to the tuition fees payment deadline or option to pay in instalments this year?

- We are extremely mindful of the impact that COVID-19 has potentially had on people's finances and understand your need for flexibility at this time.
- On this basis, for offer-holders whose finances have been temporarily impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak and require a more flexible payment plan, we would ask that you please outline your fee payment requirements macp@rcsi.com in advance of the acceptance deadline date.
- Rest assured that each request is reviewed on a case-by-case basis and we will guarantee a comprehensive response within three working days of the request being made.

Is there tax reliefs on fees paid available?

Candidates may qualify for tax relief on fees paid and further information is available at revenue.ie.

Are there any scholarships available for this Masters Programme?

There are currently no scholarships available for this programme.

Can I work while I'm completing this programme?

Candidates can be fully employed while completing the part-time programme

Candidates **cannot** be in full-time employment while completing the full-time programme. However, you can take up casual employment of 20 hours part-time work per week.



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Who accredits the MSc programme and is it recognised by regulatory bodies in Ireland or elsewhere in the world?

This Masters is accredited by the National University of Ireland and is a Level 9 qualification on the NFQ ([Irish National Framework of Qualification](#)). It is internationally recognised on other regional frameworks such as the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) and the Qualifications Framework for the European Higher Education Area (QF-EHEA).

What are the entry requirements for the MSc in Advanced Clinical Practice Programme? Full-time Programme

- Hold the degree of MB/BAO/BCh or equivalent medical degree.
- Be registered and in goodstanding with your professional registration body.
- Possess good undergraduate and postgraduate records and references.
- **Must not be** in full-time employment. If completing the full-time programme

Part-time Programme

- Hold the degree of MB/BAO/BCh or equivalent medical degree.
- Be registered and in goodstanding with your professional registration body.
- Possess good undergraduate and postgraduate records and references.

As part of the application process, you are required to submit the following supporting documentation:

- CV
- Copy of passport
- Copy of educational transcripts
- Proof of sponsorship (where applicable)
- Evidence of English language qualification* (where applicable)
- Contact details of two referees

What is the structure of this MSc programme?

Full-time Programme

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- The one-year full-time MSc requires the completion of 90 ECTS credits based on taught modules and a research dissertation. Students will complete the taught modules in the first part of the programme whilst preparing a research protocol for the dissertation in the second part of the programme.

Part-time Programme

- The two year MSc programme requires the completion of 90 ECTS credits based on taught modules and a research dissertation. It is expected that Students will complete the taught modules in their first year of the programme. In the second year of the programme students will prepare their research protocol and complete their dissertation.

Is the MSc Programme recognised for the purposes of applying for a student visa for Ireland?

Yes, those who successfully secure a place on the programme can apply for a student visa. RCSI will be able to provide a visa letter to support an application for a student visa; **however, students will have to liaise with immigration services to secure their own visa.**

Will the graduation of this programme be online due to COVID-19?

We are unable to confirm at this stage. Where safe the graduation will be face to face but this will depend on the COVID status in Ireland.