

**The 2020 -2030 Trinity College Dublin School of Nursing and
Midwifery PhD Scholarship programme is now open.
A decade of building capacity in Nursing and Midwifery Research**

Post Specification

Post Title:	PhD Student Scholarship
Post Status:	Fixed- term (Full-Time): 3 years Fixed- term (Part-Time): 6 years
Research Group / Department / School:	School of Nursing and Midwifery Trinity College Dublin, The University of Dublin
Location:	24 D'Olier Street, Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin Dublin 2, Ireland
Reports to:	Principal Supervisor
Terms & Conditions:	Full time: €25,000 annual stipend plus EU academic fees A contribution of 120 hours per year to the School is required by the holder of a Full-Time PhD Scholarship. Part time: EU academic fees
Closing Date:	Wednesday 10th February 2021 at 13.00 hours Irish time

NOTE: Applicants must have been resident in an EU member state for 3 out of the last 5 years to be eligible for EU fees

The 2020 Trinity College Dublin, PhD Scholarship programme for Nurses and Midwives.

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Scholarship Summary

The School of Nursing and Midwifery is offering combination of funded full-time and part-time scholarships for entry into the PhD programme in **September 2021**.

Full-time Scholarship

Full-time PhD Scholarships offer full funding for three years with a stipend of €25,000 per annum plus EU academic fees.

A contribution of 120 hours to the School is required by the holder of a Full-Time PhD Scholarship.

Part-time Scholarship

Part-time PhD Scholarships offer EU academic fees for six years on the part-time register (No contribution to the School is required).

The scholarships are open to registered nurses and midwives, who are excited by research, have a strong desire to discover new practices and knowledge through evidence-based approaches. The School of Nursing and Midwifery PhD Scholarship offers a pathway to nurses and midwives to conduct research that advances innovation in practice, integration of care or health systems and enhanced health outcomes in their chosen field of study. If you are already registered as a PhD student in TCD you must be on the first year of the register i.e. from September 2020. This applies to students registered Part-Time or Full-Time.

TCD is ranked 48th in the World in the Times Higher Education Ranking of World Universities in terms of citations (research impact). The Scholarships offer opportunities for suitably qualified nurses and midwives to pursue a Structured PhD which must align with one of our four research themes in which the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Trinity College Dublin offers leading expertise: <https://nursing-midwifery.tcd.ie/research/research-themes/>

- Maternal, Child and Family Health

- Healthy Ageing and Intellectual Disabilities
- Mental Health and Recovery
- Healthcare Innovation and Integration

Applications will be scored according to the following criteria (please refer to the evaluation criteria document for further information):

- Quality of research proposal including how the proposed research will advance and make a contribution to existing knowledge,
- Alignment of the research with one of the School's research themes,
- The applicant's track record and research potential including a well-defined career development plan,
- How the proposed research will benefit the applicant, society and the profession of nursing or midwifery
- Must be registered Nurse or Midwife, and/or eligible for registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland.

Prospective students are advised that they must secure the agreement and support of an academic member of staff in the school who will become the primary supervisor for the PhD in order for the application to be eligible for review. In addition, an online application to TCD to apply for the PhD programme must be submitted. The successful applicant must register with the School of Nursing and Midwifery.

For further information on our research themes, please visit www.nursing-midwifery.tcd.ie/research

Standard duties and Responsibilities

If awarded the scholarship, students must register **with the School of Nursing and Midwifery in Trinity College Dublin and** have a member of the academic staff in the School of Nursing and Midwifery as the primary supervisor for the PhD. As a registered student of the School of Nursing and Midwifery, you will become a member of the School's research culture and are warmly encouraged to participate in the many and varied research activities and events that

we host during the academic year. We hope that your time with us is enriching, challenging and ultimately successful.

All students must comply with the Regulations for Higher Degrees by Research are contained in the University Calendar Part III. The University Calendar is available in all College libraries, the Departmental offices and online (<http://www.tcd.ie/calendar/>).

Person Specification

- Registered Nurse or Midwife and/or eligible to register with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland.

Qualifications

A minimum of 2.1 Honours degree (level 8) and/or a postgraduate qualification (level 9).

Skills & Competencies (Essential)

- A self-motivated, enthusiastic and dynamic approach to work
- Excellent organisation, communication skills and IT skills
- Strong writing and analytical skills

Application process:

Applications for both the full-time and part-time Scholarships are submitted via the following link <http://www.tcd.ie/courses/postgraduate/research/schools/nursing-midwifery.php>

The following documentation must be attached to the application:

- Cover letter and CV
- Personal statement including career plan (500 words)
- Two letters of reference (academic)
- Research proposal

Research proposal of approx. 3,000 words, to address specifically the following elements

- Abstract (300 words, approx.)
- Background context and rationale for the research
- Aims, objectives and central research questions
- Methodology including details of any specialist knowledge/data required
- Relevant ethical issues
- Milestones and deliverables (Gantt chart)
- Where the research fits within the research theme and School and College research strategies
- Dissemination plans and potential impact

Further Information for Candidates

URL Link to School	http://www.nursing-midwifery.tcd.ie/research
URL Link to Research Themes	https://nursing-midwifery.tcd.ie/research/research-themes/

School of Nursing and Midwifery

As highest ranking School of Nursing and Midwifery in Ireland (Ranked 1st, and 48th worldwide) we are committed to the provision of a first rate educational experience for the high quality students that we serve. Our vision is to be the best school possible for Nursing and Midwifery education and research. We aim to position our nurse and midwife graduates for work at the forefront of cutting edge developments in modern health care building upon a foundation of core values for nursing and midwifery i.e. care, compassion and competence. Our nurse and midwife graduates enjoy a worldwide reputation for excellence and are highly employable undertaking diverse roles at all levels within health systems both nationally and internationally.

Trinity College Dublin is closely aligned with several partner healthcare organisations including large academic teaching hospitals, regional hospitals, maternity hospitals, children's hospitals, mental health services, and a wide range of community health and social care

services. We are the linked university to the Dublin Midlands Hospital Groups- a network of hospitals including St. James Hospital, Tallaght Hospital, Naas General Hospital, Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise, Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore, Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital and the St. Luke's Radiation Oncology Network.

We are ranked the number one School for Nursing in Ireland and ranked 48th in the world by the QS international rankings system. A review of our website will demonstrate why we developed a national and international reputation for undertaking innovative and world class research that is positively impacting the quality of the health care experience and delivery in Ireland and beyond.

We are one of only two schools of Nursing and Midwifery in Ireland that provide undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in all Nursing disciplines (Children's, General, Intellectual Disability, and Psychiatric Nursing) and in Midwifery. The multidisciplinary team within the School and our health service partners are committed to providing you with an exceptional clinical and theoretical educational experience within a nurturing environment. When you study at the Trinity College School of Nursing and Midwifery you will develop the skills and knowledge to meet the challenges and complexities of working and practicing in the health care service of the future, as well as the innovative skills and leadership abilities required to influence future policy and service provision.

The School's Strategic Plan for the next number of years seeks to continually re-invigorate the student and academic experience across our undergraduate, postgraduate, international, research, practice and community engagement roles. If you wish to learn more about the vision and activities within the School, or you would like to study within the School please contact us; our administrative and academic staff will be glad to help you.

Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin

Trinity is Ireland's leading university and is ranked 108th in the world (QS World University Rankings 2020). Founded in 1592, the University is steeped in history with a reputation for excellence in education, research and innovation.

Located on an iconic campus in the heart of Dublin's city centre, Trinity has 18,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students across our three faculties – Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences; Engineering, Mathematics and Science; and Health Sciences.

Trinity is ranked as the 17th most international university in the world (Times Higher Education Rankings 2020) and has students and staff from over 120 countries.

The pursuit of excellence through research and scholarship is at the heart of a Trinity education, and our researchers have an outstanding publication record and strong record of grant success. Trinity has developed 19 broad-based multidisciplinary research themes that cut across disciplines and facilitate world-leading research and collaboration within the University and with colleagues around the world. Trinity is also home to 5 leading flagship research institutes:

- Trinity Biomedical Sciences Institute (TBSI)
- Trinity College Institute of Neuroscience (TCIN)
- Trinity Translational Medical Institute (TTMI)
- Trinity Long Room Hub Arts and Humanities Research Institute (TLRH)
- Centre for Research on Adaptive Nanostructures and Nanodevices (CRANN)

Trinity is the top-ranked European university for producing entrepreneurs for the past five successive years and Europe's only representative in the world's top-50 universities (Pitchbook Universities Report).

Trinity is home to the famous Old Library and to the historic Book of Kells as well as other internationally significant holdings in manuscripts, maps and early printed material. The Trinity Library is a legal deposit library, granting the University the right to claim a copy of every book published in Ireland and the UK. At present, the Library's holdings span approximately 6.5 million printed items, 400,000 e-books and 150,000 e-journals.

With over 120,000 alumni, Trinity's tradition of independent intellectual inquiry has produced some of the world's finest, most original minds including the writers Oscar Wilde and Samuel Beckett (Nobel laureates), the mathematician William Rowan Hamilton and the physicist Ernest Walton (Nobel laureate), the political thinker Edmund Burke, and the former President

of Ireland Mary Robison. This tradition finds expression today in a campus culture of scholarship, innovation, creativity, entrepreneurship and dedication to societal reform.

Rankings

Trinity is the top ranked university in Ireland and ranked 108th in the world (QS World University Rankings 2020). Trinity ranks in the top 50 in the world on 6 subjects and in the top 100 in 20 subjects (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2019). Full details are available at: www.tcd.ie/research/about/rankings.

The Selection Process in Trinity College Dublin

The Selection Committee (Interview Panel) may include members of the Academic and Administrative community together with External Assessor(s) who are expert in the area. Applications will be acknowledged by email. If you do not receive confirmation of receipt within 1 day of submitting your application online, please contact the named Recruitment Partner on the job specification immediately and prior to the closing date/time.

Given the degree of co-ordination and planning to have a Selection Committee available on the specified date, the University regrets that it may not be in a position to offer alternate selection dates. Where candidates are unavailable, reserves may be drawn from a shortlist. Outcomes of interviews are notified in writing to candidates and are issued no later than 5 working days following the selection day.

In some instances the Selection Committee may avail of telephone or video conferencing. The University's selection methods may consist of any or all of the following: Interviews, Presentations, Psychometric Testing, References and Situational Exercises.

It is the policy of the University to conduct pre-employment medical screening/full pre-employment medicals. Information supplied by candidates in their application (Cover Letter and CV) will be used to shortlist for interview.

Applications from non-EEA citizens are welcomed. However, eligibility is determined by the Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation and further information on the Highly

Skills Eligible Occupations List is set out in Schedule 3 of the Regulations

[https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Workplace-and-Skills/Employment-](https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Workplace-and-Skills/Employment-Permits/Employment-Permit-Eligibility/Highly-Skilled-Eligible-Occupations-List/)

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Ineligible Categories of Employment are set out in Schedule 4 of the Regulations

[https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Workplace-and-Skills/Employment-](https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Workplace-and-Skills/Employment-Permits/Employment-Permit-Eligibility/Ineligible-Categories-of-Employment/)

[Permits/Employment-Permit-Eligibility/Ineligible-Categories-of-Employment/](https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Workplace-and-Skills/Employment-Permits/Employment-Permit-Eligibility/Ineligible-Categories-of-Employment/) . Non-EEA

candidates should note that the onus is on them to secure a visa to travel to Ireland prior to interview. Non-EEA candidates should also be aware that even if successful at interview, an appointment to the post is contingent on the securing of an employment permit.

Equal Opportunities Policy

Trinity is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to employment policies, procedures and practices which do not discriminate on grounds such as gender, civil status, family status, age, disability, race, religious belief, sexual orientation or membership of the travelling community. On that basis we encourage and welcome talented people from all backgrounds to join our staff community. Trinity's Diversity Statement can be viewed in full at <https://www.tcd.ie/diversity-inclusion/diversity-statement>.

Application Procedure

Candidates should submit their application, along with a full curriculum Vitae, cover letter and two references and a word version of a 3000 word maximum research proposal, **online** at <http://www.tcd.ie/courses/postgraduate/research/schools/nursing-midwifery.php>

Trinity College Dublin will charge an application fee. You may receive notification following your application to College that your application to be a PhD student has been accepted. This is a separate process from your application for the Scholarship. You will be notified of the outcome of your Scholarship application separately.

If you have any application queries, please contact **lavergnm@tcd.ie**



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