SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR NORTH AMERICAN APPLICANTS

RCSI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
Why RCSI?
Located in the heart of the capital city alongside historical Georgian buildings, RCSI has played a key role in medical education and training in Ireland for over 200 years.

Globally accredited
RCSI has a worldwide reputation for training excellent doctors with superior clinical and communication skills. It was the first Irish Medical School (2006) to be approved and accredited by the Irish Medical Council to deliver a four year medical programme for graduates - the ‘Graduate Entry Medicine’ (GEM). Graduates are conferred with the Licentiates of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (LRCSI and LRCPI), as well as the internationally recognised medical degrees of the National University of Ireland (MB, BCh, BAO).

International diversity
More than 60 nationalities are represented within RCSI’s international student body, with almost a quarter coming from North America.

This attests to our ability to attract students from throughout the world and the quality of the teaching is evidenced by our match rate success.

Academic leadership
RCSI has strong academic and clinical teams who strive for excellence in education and research with a shared mission of ‘developing healthcare leaders who make a difference worldwide.’ Our main teaching hospital (Beaumont Hospital) is the National Centre for Neurosurgery, Renal Transplantation, Cochlear Transplantation and Alpha 1 Antitrypsin deficiency.

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Career Development and RCSI Mentor Network

The RCSI Mentor Network is an innovative portal designed to link alumni and students and bring online mentorship to a new level of effectiveness, combining global reach with career specific focus. Our Career Development Manager will assist you in building long-term career strategies. Key events, involving international speakers and recruiters, are organised with your career goals in mind. Faculty and students work together in order to ensure that students fulfill the required criteria and are strong candidates when applying for Residency Programmes back in North America.

Licencing Exams

Preparation for licencing exams (USMLE, MCCEE) is recognised as critical to our students application for Residency Programmes, and is carefully timetabled within the academic calendar. RCSI supports the student with bespoke tutorial programmes delivered by senior academic and clinical staff. Access to online resources, including QBank, in addition to peer-led experiential teaching prepares our students very well for these professional exams as attested by our high success rates.

Electives

RCSI offers senior clinical students the opportunity of prestigious electives, including but not limited to the following hospitals and universities:

- Baystate Medical Center
- Bellevue Hospital Center, NYC
- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- Boston Children’s Hospital
- Brigham and Women’s Hospital
- Brown University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta
- Children’s Hospital Philadelphia
- CJW (Chippenham Johnston Wills Hospital, Virginia)
- Cleveland Clinic
- Columbia University
- Dartmouth General Hospital
- Duke University
- Global Education Medical Exchange (GEMEX)
- Harlem Hospital Center
- Indiana Hospital
- John’s Hopkins Hospital
- Kaiser Permanente
- Langley Memorial Hospital Foundation
- Lions Gate Hospital, Vancouver
- Maine Medical Centre
- Mayo Hospital, Rochester
- McMaster University
- Medical College of Virginia
- Memorial University
- Mount Sinai Hospital
- Nantucket Cottage Hospital
- New York Presbyterian-Weill Cornell Medical Center
- NIH Clinical Center, Maryland
- St Boniface Hospital, Winnipeg
- St Luke’s, Roosevelt Hospital
- Temple University, Pennsylvania
- The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto
- Tufts University
- University Hospital Network
- University of Calgary
- University of California, Irvine
- University of Colorado, Denver
- University of Illinois
- University of Massachusetts
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Saskatchewan
- University of Western Ontario, Victoria Hospital
- Vancouver General Hospital
- Wood County Hospital, Ohio
Residency

The ability of US and Canadian graduates to secure Residency Placements in North America after completing their medical programme overseas is essential. RCSI graduates enjoy an enviable reputation for securing competitive Residencies throughout North America. The range of clinical specialties and location of Residencies secured by the Class of 2014 in both the US and Canada are shown below.

USA Residency – Class of 2014

- Internal Medicine
- Paediatrics
- Obstetrics-Gynaecology
- General Surgery
- Anaesthesiology
- Pathology
- Radiology
- Emergency Medicine
- Transitional

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Canada Residency – Class of 2014

- Family Medicine
- Internal Medicine
- Psychiatry
- General Surgery
- Diagnostic Radiology
- Paediatrics

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What our Graduates have to say

Valerie Curren, Class of 2014

Being a student in RCSI has been an incredible opportunity. One of my favourite aspects of the medical program has been the emphasis on developing a strong clinical acumen from Day 1. The small class size creates a supportive bond among students with diverse cultural and educational backgrounds. In addition to lectures, smaller group sessions each week provides valuable time for discussion of clinical case examples, ethical issues and to nurture history taking and physical exam skills. Outside of the classroom, hospital-based attachments starting in first year provide an opportunity to practice skills, examine potential career paths, and provide real life examples to enhance learning medicine.

Outside of the classroom, life in Dublin has been a lot of fun. Not only does the vibrant city have a lot to offer, it also provides affordable travel access to Europe and beyond. Overall, studying at RCSI has provided me with an exceptional medical education and an amazing experience while living in Ireland. The support of staff and students at the college is unparalleled. I highly recommend RCSI to applicants looking for not only a great education, but also for a bit of adventure along the way.

Kerac Falk, Class of 2014

As in any medical school the coursework is tough and requires a high level of time and dedication, but there is a definite balance to life here in RCSI. When classes and clinics are over, there are limitless opportunities to relax and have fun at the school, in Dublin and abroad. RCSI students stay very active and there are over a dozen competitive sports teams to choose from, including rugby, soccer and volleyball. On any given weekend there are organised trips such as rock climbing in the Wicklow Mountains, surfing in Sligo or skiing in the Alps.

To help build a competitive CV, there are also academically-focused extracurricular opportunities. I chose to be a tutor in the Peer Led Teaching Program, which organizes student-led tutorials in exam revision, clinical skills and USMLE preparations. This has been a great opportunity to hone my teaching, leadership and public speaking skills. Other academic pursuits include the Student Medical Journal, which fosters and publishes original student research, as well as several school Societies which focus on every medical discipline and professional interest. All in all, life at RCSI made for a fun and memorable four years.
Illustrative RCSI Alumni in North American Clinical and Academic Positions

Professor Michael Brennan, Professor of Medicine, Mayo Clinic, USA Class of 1969

Professor Emma Meagher, Associate Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology, University of Pennsylvania, USA Class of 1987

Professor Kieran Murphy, Professor of Radiology, University of Toronto and University Hospital Network, Canada Class of 1986

Dr Daniel Joyce, Resident in General Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Ohio, USA Class of 2010

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