



UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems



UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems PhD Scholarship in Trauma and Emergency Nursing

The UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems (SNMHS) is offering a full-time PhD scholarship with registration commencing in January 2025.

The PhD will advance knowledge and make a significant impact in the field of trauma and emergency nursing.

The PhD scholarship offers a stipend of €22,000 per annum plus academic fees for a maximum of 4 years.



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About Us

School of Nursing, Midwifery, and Health Systems

The UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems are committed to developing knowledge that informs health and social policy, advances professional practice and education in nursing and midwifery, and generates impact in the wider health system, both nationally and internationally.

To find out more about our School, please visit [our website](#).

The Research Programme

Trauma and emergency care in Ireland are rapidly evolving and characterised by increasing patient numbers, changing systems of care and the development of new ways of working. Of the professional groups working with trauma and emergency patients, nurses are the largest and are central to delivery of high-quality care.

Nurses' expertise affords a distinctive perspective on the care of trauma and emergency patients and the system in which they are cared for. For this reason, nurses are uniquely placed to identify areas of clinical practice where there are currently challenges or gaps in knowledge that could be addressed through high-quality research.

Such areas include, but are not limited to, the impact and outcomes of the advanced nurse practitioner role in trauma and emergency care settings, investigating the preparedness and responses of emergency nurses to mass casualty incidents, the impact of interdisciplinary collaboration in trauma and emergency nursing and these areas could be addressed through a range of research designs, including mixed methods, case study, phenomenological and discourse analysis.

The successful applicant will be supervised by [Dr Wayne Thompson](#) and a supervisory team based in the School of Nursing, Midwifery, and Health Systems.

Research Funding

The successful candidate will receive the following financial support for 4 years:

- Full funding for tuition fees
- A stipend of €22,000 per annum to assist with living expenses
- A set amount to support research activities
- A programme of training opportunities and events delivered by UCD SNMHS and UCD IRIS

Eligibility Criteria

Entry Requirements

Applications from candidates worldwide will be considered for this full-time position. An academic background in health or social science is preferred. Experience in research using quantitative, qualitative, and/or mixed methods research is required.

The student must fulfil **one** of the following criteria:

- a) The applicant has obtained a minimum of an upper second-class degree in a relevant honours Bachelor's degree.
- b) The applicant has obtained a Master's degree in a relevant field.

Applicants from health professionals who are currently working clinically who are interested in transitioning to an academic role will be considered favourably.

English Language Requirements

Candidates whose first language is not English and whose primary degree was obtained in a country where English is not the official language of instruction must provide proof of proficiency in English such as IELTS or TOEFL. The original certificate of completion of an English language test must be submitted with the application. In all cases, the test results must not be more than two years old.

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How to Apply

To apply for the PhD Scholarship individuals should submit:

- A one-page personal statement
- A Curriculum Vitae
- A 2-page research proposal

Application Assessment Criteria

Personal Statement/CV must include:

- The rationale for pursuing a doctoral research degree.
- Evidence of previous research experience.
- Evidence of relevant transferable skills (e.g., communication, leadership, organisational skills).
- Excellent written presentation (spelling, grammar, graphical).

Research proposal must include:

- Clear aim(s) of the proposed research.
- A potential novel contribution to the field of trauma and emergency nursing.
- Excellent written presentation (spelling, grammar, graphical).

Application Deadline

Applications are submitted via email to wayne.thompson@ucd.ie no later than **23rd of August 2024**.

Additional supporting documentation will be requested on an individual basis following shortlisting.

Interviews to be arranged at a later date.



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