



Social Science, Nursing, and Allied Health Summer Studentship 2022

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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Eligibility

1. As a first year student, am I eligible to apply?

Yes, first year full-time or part-time undergraduate students are eligible.

2. I am a final year student, am I eligible for a Summer Studentship award?

No, final year students are not eligible.

3. Are medical students eligible to apply?

Medical students are eligible to apply for the Summer Studentship award. For the Social Science, Nursing, and Allied Health applicants, a maximum of one award will be made available to medical students.

4. Are non-Irish citizens studying in Republic of Ireland eligible to apply?

Yes, if you are studying in Republic of Ireland, and you meet the eligibility criteria, you can apply for the summer studentship. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure they are eligible to study in Ireland.

5. Are the studentships available for students to study abroad?

No, the research must take place at a host institution in the Republic of Ireland. This must be one of the HRB's [approved host institutions](#).

6. Are studentships tenable for individuals studying in Northern Ireland?

Studentships are tenable only for researchers who will conduct their research in the Republic of Ireland. This is because the money raised for the Irish Cancer Society to fund cancer research is raised in the Republic of Ireland.

7. Is there an upper age limit to the application?

No, there is no upper age limit.

8. As a pharmacy student, for which studentship am I eligible?

Eligibility will depend on the research project rather than your undergraduate degree. Your research project should align with the studentship for which you are applying.

Please contact grants@irishcancer.ie if you are uncertain which scheme is most appropriate.

Supervisor

1. Do I need to find a supervisor and design a project myself?

Yes, it is the applicant's responsibility to find a suitable supervisor and design the research project in collaboration with their supervisor.

2. How do I find a supervisor? Can the Irish Cancer Society help me?

We understand that students may not have had much research experience yet and may not know who is conducting cancer research in Ireland. The Irish Cancer Society cannot find a suitable supervisor for applicants. We recommend approaching principal investigators in an area of cancer research you are interested in about the possibility of working on a project together well in advance of the application deadline. Potential supervisors may have a profile on their institution's website which outlines their research interests.

3. Can a supervisor sponsor more than one student for separate projects who are both applying for a Scholarship?

Yes, a supervisor can sponsor more than one studentship applicant.

Institutions

1. My proposed host institution is a university that is not listed on the HRB's list of approved institutions, can I still apply?

No. A host institution must be currently listed on the HRB's list of approved host institutions: <https://www.hrb.ie/funding/funding-schemes/before-you-apply/all-grant-policies/approval-of-host-institutions/>

2. Can I complete my studentship at a different institution from the one I am currently studying?

Yes, the host institution does not need to be the same institution where you are completing your degree. However, it must be the institution that your proposed supervisor is based.

Budget

1. How many studentships are available?

There are two Social Science, Nursing, and Allied Health Sciences Summer Studentships available in 2022.

2. Is there an overall limit for the amount of funding granted?

The total amount available is €2,500 to support each student for a maximum period of eight weeks. The funding does not cover consumables.

Application Deadline

1. Does the supervisor have to approve the application by this deadline?

Yes, your proposed supervisor has to approve the application by this deadline. They can do this through their online portal.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that their application is approved by the supervisor before the deadline. Please ensure that the application is submitted with sufficient time allowed for the supervisor to approve.

Start of Studentship

1. When does the successful applicant commence their programme?

The successful applicant will begin their summer studentship no earlier than June 2022. The studentship must be complete before the start of a new academic term.

2. When will applicants find out about the outcome of the SNAH studentship 2022?

The outcome of Social, Nursing, and Allied Health Sciences Summer Studentships 2022 programme will be announced in Early April.

Contact us

1. I am unsure if me or my project is eligible

If you have any questions, please contact grants@irishcancer.ie.