CHOSE NUI GALWAY

TOP 250 IN THE WORLD
QS World University Rankings 2016/2017
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2016/2017

Ranked among the TOP 2%
of universities in the world for quality of teaching and research.

91% average
91% (average based on the last five years) of our postgraduates are employed or in further study within six months of graduating.

€59.7m
received in competitive funding across a range of dynamic, innovative research projects (2015).

17,000 students
3,000 International students
over 150 postgraduate programmes

COLLABORATIONS IN 106 COUNTRIES

SCHOOL OF NURSING & MIDWIFERY
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MASTER / POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HEALTH SCIENCES
(CHILDREN’S PALLIATIVE / COMPLEX CARE)

The first Master’s Degree in Ireland for nurses caring for children and adolescents who have complex or life-limiting conditions.

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RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF THE IRISH HEALTH SERVICE

In 2015, it was estimated that there were 3,840 children in Ireland living with complex life-limiting conditions (Ling et al 2015). Children who have complex care requirements or reach the end-of-life deserve the very highest standard care, provided by specialised paediatric palliative or complex care nurses. Unfortunately, it is acknowledged that in Ireland today there is an absence of staff who demonstrate the very specific and special skills to work in this demanding field of nursing practice.

JOIN A COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMME

This curriculum has been developed in conjunction with the School of Nursing and Midwifery, National University of Ireland, Galway and the School of Nursing and Midwifery University College Dublin (UCD). The evidence-based, innovative curriculum has been created in partnership with national and international experts, parents and stakeholders in children’s palliative / complex care.

ENGAGE IN PRACTICAL LEARNING

You will develop your clinical skills and build relationships with mentors / experts within the specialty by completing clinical placement in a children’s palliative care / complex setting.

BENEFIT FROM BLENDED LEARNING

Our programmes are delivered through a combination of online and face-to-face learning making them accessible to registered nurses and midwives with full-time work commitments.

ADVANCE WITH CAREER PLANNING

As part of this programme, nurses will undertake an Individual Professional Practice Review. The Programme Director will help you create a unique personal development plan to assist you in identifying your aspirations for advanced practice roles for the specialty.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Core Modules
- Service Improvement
- Clinical Governance: Supporting Safe Practice
- Advanced Research Methods

Specialist Modules
- Quality of Life and Symptom Management in Children’s Palliative / Complex Care
- Care of the Child and Family with Palliative / Complex Needs
- Specialist Understanding of Complex Care for Children
- Two clinical practicum modules

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates will find employment and promotion opportunities nationally and internationally.

“IT can be difficult to work with families in such tough circumstances, so the more education we have about palliative care can only help us improve the services we provide. When I saw this programme, I jumped at the chance to apply for it, because it is so relevant to what I do and a way to bring more experience and knowledge to the area I work in.

It’s such a broad programme and there’s so many clinical roles that would benefit from it – Outreach, Liaison nurses, Community nurses, Paediatric nurses, Palliative Care nurses and it will also enhance my current job.

It’s fantastic that NUI Galway have recognised the need for this type of course, with a specific focus on children’s palliative care. It really shows how important children’s palliative care is, especially with how much longer children with complex needs are living and that there are more treatments available to them. Well done to NUI Galway for recognising how important a programme like this is for the children of Ireland.”

Caoimhe Wade
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