

MSc

Interprofessional Health and Social Studies



WHY?

Educational aims of the programme:

- Provide students from different health and social care professions an opportunity to harness the diversity of experience to develop a holistic, interprofessional view of care
- Provide an education environment where students can revisit their value base and become more self aware, critically reflective and develop skills for effective interpersonal and interprofessional working
- Provide an opportunity for students to understand ethical dilemmas and law relating to health and social care professionals
- Provide students with work management tools such as managing change, leadership and conflict resolution
- Foster research and research skills relating to interprofessional working and learning

WHERE?

Queens University Belfast and Beeches Management Centre

Queen's University Belfast is a member of the Russell Group, an association of 20 major research-intensive UK universities.

The Beeches Management Centre provides management, education and organisational support to health and social care organisations.

WHO?

Entrance requirements for the programme:

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A minimum second class honours degree or equivalent academic credit.

At least 3 years experience working within their profession, (extending to 5 years for short listing requirements should this be necessary).

Approval from their employing organisation as a large proportion of assessment is project based within the workplace.

As this course requires representation from at least 3 disciplines (i.e. medicine, nursing, dentistry, social work, allied health professions, pharmacy, management etc.) and ideally proportional representation to run the course, applicants may be subject to interview to ensure that this requirement is met.

If the academic requirement is not met, then the programme will request that the candidate demonstrate their capacity, through a reflective assignment, to work at Master level.

COST?

Tuition Costs:

Year 1 £1500; Year 2: £1500; Year 3: Band 1 QUB Postgraduate Research Course Tuition Fees (www.qub.ac.uk)

Sources of Funding:

Students applying from Health and Social Care Trusts, Boards, RQIA, NIBTS, NIAST and CSA will be partly funded through the Service Level Agreement with the Beeches Management Centre.

WHAT?

Programme Structure:

Six taught sequential modules over four semesters. Year 1 – Personal Effectiveness, Interprofessional Effectiveness, Managing Service Delivery; Year 2 – Ethics and Law in Healthcare Practice, Leadership, Managing and Leading Change; and Year 2/3 – Dissertation

Programme Delivery:

Teaching will be delivered by collaborative partnerships between the School of Medicine and Dentistry and the Beeches Management Centre. In years 1 and 2 all delivery will take place at the Beeches site.

Module Educational Aims:

Personal Effectiveness

To develop and enhance knowledge and skills through increased self awareness leading to enhanced personal effectiveness and become familiar with the theory underpinning interprofessional education and working.

Interprofessional Effectiveness

To gain an understanding of the diversity of values by learning from and about other professions within the interprofessional group.

Managing Service Delivery

To develop skills in critically analysing the complexity of interprofessional working within a modern health and social care organisation.

Ethics and Law in Health and Social Care Practice

To provide students with a sound foundation in the legal and ethical principles and philosophical questions arising in health and social care practice across the professions.

Leadership

To enable students to understand the multi-faceted nature of leadership, encouraging recognition of various approaches and styles.

Managing and Leading Change

To develop skills in critically analysing the approaches to managing and adapting to changes and to consider the opportunities and constraints that influences the changes in an interprofessional setting.

HOW?

How to apply?

Applicants to this course should apply through the postgraduate application section on the Queen's website.

www.qub.ac.uk/home/ProspectiveStudents

