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Re: **PQ 10640/21**

Question: To ask the Minister for Health the categories and number of students by area of study and annual cohorts who undertake clinical or training placements in the health and social care services in each year in tabular form; the number of placement hours in each year for each area of study; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

As requested I set out the required information on tabular form in relation to Health and Social Care Professions, at Appendix 1 attached.

If you require any further information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Health and Social Care Professions

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Discipline	Course Title	Higher Education Institute	CORU Approved Programme (A)	Total no. of Students	No of Placement Hours Required
Audiology	MSc Audiology	UCC		24	Students must complete 1,000 hours of clinical placements.
Clinical Measurement Physiology (5 disciplines – Cardiac, Gastrointestinal, Neurophysiology, Respiratory and Vascular)	BSc (Hons) Clinical Measurement Science	TUD		112	Students must complete a total of 1,260 hours of clinical placements.
Dietetics	MSc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics	UCD	A	42	Students must undertake not less than 1,000 hours of practice placements.
	MSc Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics	UL		24	“
	BSc in Human Nutrition and Dietetics	TCD/TUD	A	96	“

Medical Science	BSc (Hons) Medical Science	GMIT		114	In Year 3 students are required to complete 1,000 hours of structured practice placements as student medical scientist.
	BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science	Cork IT/UCC		117	“
	BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science	DIT		162	“
Occupational Therapy	MSc Occupational Therapy	UL	A	58	Students must spend at least 1,000 hours in practice education placements where the integration of occupational therapy theory and practice takes place and where an occupational therapy process or part of that process is implemented with or for real live persons.
	BSc Occupational Therapy	UCC	A	108	“
	BSc Occupational Therapy	NUIG	A	112	“
	BSc Occupational Therapy	TCD	A	136	“
Physiotherapy	BSc Physiotherapy	UL	A	118	Physiotherapy students must complete a minimum of 1,000 hours of supervised clinical practice.
	MSc Physiotherapy	UL	A	36	“
	BSc Physiotherapy	TCD	A	176	“
	BSc Physiotherapy	UCD	A	196	“
	MSc Physiotherapy	UCD	A	44	“
	BSc Physiotherapy	RCSI	A	116	“
	MSc Physiotherapy	UCC	A	60	“

Podiatry	BSc Podiatric Medicine	NUIG		52	Students must complete 1,000 hours of clinical placements.
Psychology <i>NOTE: Doctorate in Clinical Psychology required for clinical psychology. There are changes to implementation dates of eligibility criteria for psychology</i>	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (D.Clin. Psych)	TCD		46	Students studying the Doctoral in Clinical Psychology Programme are employees of the HSE for three years while undergoing placements.
<i>Numbers in Clinical Psychology programmes can vary from year to year</i>	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (D.Clin.Psych)	UCD		33	“
	Doctorate of Psychological Science (Clinical Psychology)	NUIG		34	“
	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsych)	UL		34	“
	Doctorate of Clinical Psychology (D Clin Psych)	UCC		24	“
	Doctorate in Counselling Psychology (D.Couns.Psych)	TCD		42	Must have a minimum of 1,800 hours
	Doctorate in Educational Psychology (D Ed. Psych)	UCD		30	2,220 hours (300 placement days)
Radiography	BSc (Hons) Radiography	UCD	A	212	Students must spend at least 1,200 hours of practice placement, 280 hours of which must be in one block and full time.
	MSc Diagnostic Radiography	UCC	A	32	“
	Diagnostic Radiography (M.Sc)	TCD		40	“
	Radiography Accelerated Pathway – 2.5 years	UCD		40	“

Radiation Therapy	BSc (Hons) in Radiation Therapy	TCD	A	108	Students must spend at least 1,200 hours of practice placement, 280 hours of which must be in one block and full time.
	MSc Radiation Therapy – commenced 2020	UCC		7	“
Social Care Work	BA in Applied Social Studies in Social Care BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, 1yr addon BA (Hons) in Social Care Practice	Athlone IT		147 57 183	Students need to undertake a minimum of 800 hours. At least 350 hours of the 800 hours must be delivered in a minimum of two practice placements.
	BA in Applied Social Studies in Social Care BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care	TUD Blanchardstown		180 360	“
	BA in Professional Social Care Practice BA (Hons) in Professional Social Care Practice	Carlow IT		90 30	“
	BA in Applied Social Studies in Social Care BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, 1 yr add on	Carlow College		120 38	“
	BA in Social Care BA (Hons) in Social Care	Cork IT		208 78	“
	BA (Ord) in Social Care Practice	TUD Grangegorman		120	“
	BA (Hons) in Social Care	Dundalk IT		140	“
	BA (Ord) in Applied Social Care BA (Hons) in Applied Social Care	GMIT		37 93	“

	BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care	Limerick IT		485	“
	BA (Hons) in Social Care	NUIG		89	“
	BA in Social Care BA Professional Social Care in Disability (1 yr add on) BA (Hons) in Contemporary Disability Studies (1 yr add on)	Open Training College		123 69 17	“
	BA (Hons) in Social Care Practice	Sligo IT		118	“
	BA in Applied Social Studies in Social Care BA (Hons) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care	Tralee IT		72 72	“
	BA in Applied Social Care Year BA (H) Social Care Practice Year BA (H) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Add On) (1yr)	Waterford IT		264 244 48	“
Social Work	Masters of Social Work	UCC	A	40	Students must spend at least 1,000 hours in practice placements, 350 hours of which must be in one block and full time.
	Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies	UCC	A	40	“
	Masters of Social Science (Social Work)	UCD	A	100	“
	Professional Masters in Social Work	UCD	A	100	“
	Masters in Social Work	TCD	A	40	“
	Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work	TCD	A	50	“
	Masters in Social Work	NUIG	A	40	“

	Bachelor of Social Work	UCC	A	60	“
	Bachelor in Social Studies (Hons)	TCD	A	80	“
	MSocSc Social Work	NUI Maynooth		50	“
Speech and Language Therapy	BSc Speech and Language Therapy	TCD	A	120	Students must complete at least 300 clinical hours of supervised practice placements as well as 150 clinically related hours
	BSc Speech and Language Therapy	NUIG	A	120	“
	MSc Speech and Language Therapy	UL	A	52	“
	BSc Speech and Language Therapy	UCC	A	136	“

Note:

Not all professions are regulated by CORU and for some the register has not opened. There are also some new programmes listed above that have not yet had graduates and are not yet approved by CORU.

Glossary:

DCU – Dublin City University
TUD – Technological University of Dublin
GMIT – Galway/Mayo Institute of Technology
IT – Institute of Technology
NUIG – National University of Ireland, Galway
RCSI – Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland
TCD – Trinity College Dublin
UCD – University College, Dublin
UL – University of Limerick
UCC – University College Cork

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