

Academic Council

Mission	Senior academic and administrative forum for deliberation on all academic matters
Reporting to	Medicine and Health Sciences Board

Terms of Reference

The Academic Council is responsible for the implementation of policy which is determined by the Medicine and Health Sciences Board. It addresses all matters concerning the administration of RCSI's Irish and International Schools. This includes student admissions, assessment, progression and welfare in all degree level programmes; curricula and learning technology; research activities; and academic staff appointments and promotions. The Academic Council meets eight times throughout the academic year and reports to the Medicine & Health Sciences Board. The committee aims to have gender representation of at least 40% of either gender in RCSI.

Membership Gender Balance: 59% Male 41% Female

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