

APPLICATION FORM: IRISH REFUGEE COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

(One Fully Funded Postgraduate Scholarship)

NCI and the Irish Refugee Council are pleased to offer 2 full educational scholarships available to study on a full-time undergraduate programme at National College of Ireland each year. Each scholarship will cover a student on any of NCI's full-time level 8 undergraduate degrees. These programmes are three or four years in duration and the scholarship will cover the entire period.

Personal Details:

Name:

Address (in full):

Telephone:

Mobile No:

Email:

Date of Birth:

Programme Details:

Name of NCI Full-Time Degree you are applying for

Proposed start date (normally September)

Have you applied for this programme through the CAO? Yes No

Please Provide your CAO number:

If no, please provide your NCI application ID number:

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A SUBMISSION OUTLINING WHY YOU SHOULD RECEIVE THIS SCHOLARSHIP:

Submissions should be no less than 500 and not more than 1,500 words in length and must be typed and e-mailed in 'soft copy' (preferably MS Word or PDF format).

Your submission should cover the following:

- An outline of your education to date.
- Why you should be awarded this scholarship.
- Your future career goals and aspirations.

Please email your submission and your completed application form to admissions@ncirl.ie no later than 5pm, Friday 22nd May 2026. If you have a query about this process, you can also email this address.

All courses and application forms can be found online at www.ncirl.ie/courses.

For information on Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning (RPEL) please click [here](#).

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The closing date for this scholarship is 5pm, Friday 22nd May 2026.
- Applicants must meet the International Protection criteria and be ineligible for state Supports, such as the SUSI grant or Student Assistance Fund, for example. Successful applicants will be required to provide supporting documentation.
- Applicants must live within commuting distance to NCI.
- The scholarship will cover the Student Contribution Fee and a waiver of tuition fee, plus an allowance to cover transport, on-campus food, and the provision of a laptop device from NCI. The allowance will be assessed based on the circumstances of the individual student and will be solely at the discretion of NCI.
- Applications will be judged by a panel of adjudicators, and applicants may be required to attend an interview with the panel so that the successful applicant can be chosen.

Judging will be based on the following criteria:

1. The genuine desire of the entrant to further their education
2. The impact of the scholarship on their life

- Students applying for this scholarship should fill in this form and return to NCI - admissions@ncirl.ie - AND must also apply for the programme through the CAO process in the normal way. Please note that the CAO early application deadline normally falls on 1st February each year and the CAO change of mind deadline normally falls on 1st July each year. Please consult www.cao.ie for confirmation of these dates. If you are a mature applicant (that is, if you are over the age of 23 on 1st January of your year of application), you are not required to submit a CAO application. Mature applicants are required to apply directly to NCI by submitting an online application form. Links to online application forms can be found on the Programme Information pages of the website www.ncirl.ie.
- This scholarship cannot be used in conjunction with any other NCI scholarships and no cash or other alternatives can be given. Note that all NCI courses are run subject to student numbers and availability can change.
- The scholarship cannot be deferred and the recipient must commence their programme in the year the scholarship is awarded.

The Irish Refugee Council provides services and support for people seeking protection and people recognised as refugees in Ireland. Irish Refugee Council believes education plays a vital role in people's development, self-esteem and integration. You can find out more about the educational supports provided by the Irish Refugee Council at www.irishrefugeecouncil.ie/Listing/Category/education.

Data Protection Notice Any personal data, including any special categories of personal data, provided to National College of Ireland ("NCI"), through or in connection with this application form, will be processed by NCI as a data controller for the purposes of assessing your application and, if the application is successful, for related student administration purposes. For further information on how the NCI uses your personal data and in relation your data protection rights and how to contact the NCI data protection officer, please refer to the [NCI Data Protection Statement](#).