



The Academy of Clinical Science and Laboratory Medicine

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ACSLM Membership Application Form M2

For use by Applicants with Qualifications in Medical Laboratory Science who are eligible to practise as Medical Scientists in EU and Non EU Countries. All applications must be submitted on the current forms from www.acslm.ie.

Membership/Eligibility for Membership of the ACSLM is mandatory to work as a Medical Scientist in Irish hospitals until the CORU Register for Medical Scientists opens.

Title	Surname	Forename(s)
Dr / Mr / Ms		
Address		
Date of Birth:	Country of Birth:	
Nationality:		
Contact Tel:	Email:	

The €150 Fee to the ACSLM is payment for the Assessment of your Education for membership and Eligibility to Practice as a Medical Scientists in Ireland.

Cheques/ Postal Money Orders should be made payable to:
THE ACADEMY OF CLINICAL SCIENCE AND LABORATORY MEDICINE / ACSLM

Fee by Credit/Debit Card: Card No / / / /

Expiry Date: CVV:

Note: Candidates from non-EU countries may be required to attend an interview assessment to determine Eligibility for Membership. The ACSLM does not issue letters of invitation or organise travel visas. If you do not possess travel clearance to travel to Ireland you should not apply.

If you have changed your name at any time please supply documentation to confirm identity, such as a Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificate etc.



Undergraduate Education

BSc / Diploma	Course Title	College	City	Country	Year	EQF / QQI Level

Post Graduate Education

Qualification	Course Title	College	City	Country	Graduation Year	QQI Level

Please note: A QQI or NARIC certification must be included for each qualification you have completed.
QQI level – Qualifications Authority of Ireland. EQF – European Qualifications Framework.

Certified Clinical Laboratory Placement Practice [1000 hours minimum]:

Hospital / Clinical laboratory	Subject	Start Date	Finish Date
	Cellular Pathology		
	Clinical Biochemistry		
	Haematology		
	Medical Microbiology		
	Transfusion Science		
Assessed and Certified by:			

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Professional Affiliation/Registration

If you have been state registered / licenced or are a member of a professional association please include a copy of your certificate of registration

National Registration /Professional Body	Grade of Membership	Year Awarded	Registration Number	Is Membership Current?
Email Address of Professional Body:				

Post Qualification Experience

Hospital / Clinical laboratory	City	Country	Department	Position	Start Date	Finish Date

Current Employment:

Hospital / Clinical laboratory	City	Country	Department	Position	Start Date

Certified English translation of Documentation of results and copies of certificate, degree parchments, registration status and so on must be supplied. See the Checklist below.

I, the undersigned, state that the information supplied in this application is correct.

Signature of Applicant **Date:**

RULES PERTAINING TO MEMBERSHIP

Any applicant for admission as Member of the Academy shall hold:

- 1 a) A degree at honours level (Level 8 QQI) in the field of Medical Laboratory Science, accredited or approved by the Academy of Clinical Science and Laboratory Medicine, which has an integrated, supervised and assessed clinical placement period,
Or
- 1 b) Shall hold an Irish Diploma in Medical Laboratory Science awarded prior to 1994
Or



- 1 c) Shall hold an honours degree (Level 8 QQI) in the field of Medical Laboratory Sciences approved by the Academy of Clinical Science and Laboratory Medicine and shall have experience in the practice of Medical Laboratory Science the evaluation of which shall be determined by Council.

To be accepted for practice in Ireland you must have the appropriate education, training and experience acceptable to the ACSLM, and MUST have evidence of practice in at least TWO of the last five years in an accredited Clinical Diagnostic Pathology laboratory.

Statutory Registration – CORU

The Board for Medical Scientist registration was established in November 2016. Once the register opens, the role of the ACSLM as the designated authority for reviewing eligibility to practice as a medical scientist will cease. All ACSLM members will be required to register with CORU in order to practise as a Medical Scientist.

Membership Review Process

Membership applications are reviewed every month by a panel of assessors from the Medical Science profession. Recommendations for membership are passed to Council for approval, and this is usually held during the second week of the month.

If your documentation is complete on submission, and acceptable for membership, your application will be processed to completion within one week of the Council meeting in which your membership is approved.

If your documentation is incomplete, you will be emailed to the supplied email address, and your application will be held until all documentation is complete.

If your membership is not approved, you may appeal to the ACSLM.

If you are an EU citizen, under the EU directive you have the right to appeal decisions of the ACSLM regarding membership.

Please note the Following Important Disclaimer:

Membership of the ACSLM via this route may not ensure the applicant successful registration with CORU when the register opens.



	CHECKLIST. To be awarded Eligibility for Membership of the ACSLM you must provide documentary evidence in English of the following:	Document Provided
1	Level 8 QQI degree in Biomedical Science or equivalent	
2	QQI confirmation of level of degree (www.qqi.ie)	
3	Documentation of Results of Modules covered and passed in all core subjects – Biology, Chemistry, Molecular Biology, Genetics, Physiology (Human), Immunology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Biostatistics, Research Methods.	
4	Documentation of Results of Modules taken and passed covering all 5 major disciplines – Clinical Chemistry, Cellular Pathology, Haematology, Medical Microbiology, Transfusion Science.	
5	Certification of Clinical Laboratory Placement Practice of minimum 1000 hours in a Clinical Diagnostic Pathology Laboratory .	
6	Certification of Clinical Laboratory Placement Practice rotation completed in ALL five major disciplines - Clinical Chemistry, Cellular Pathology, Haematology, Medical Microbiology, Transfusion Science.	
7	Research project The research project must be a Minimum of 15 ECTS [10-12 weeks] or part-time over one full academic year, in the final year of the degree, or as part of the MSc. NB. Literature reviews are not acceptable instead of laboratory-based work. Audits and Bioinformatics projects are accepted, but must have clinical laboratory-based research investigations.	
8	Professional registration. If you are registered to practice in another country, you must be in current good standing with that body, and must not be suspended, struck off or on any other form of disciplinary action.	
9	English Language Proficiency Documentation supporting English language standard required for practice as a Medical Scientist must be included*. See below.	
10	Recent Practice. Documentation to provide evidence of practice for two of the last five years in an accredited Clinical Pathology laboratory.	



○ ***English Language Requirements**

- You have a current Academic IELTS Certificate (dated within the last two years) with an overall band score of 7.0 **and a minimum score of 6.5 in each module;**
- **or**
- Satisfactory proof that your basic degree was completed through English in a country where English is the language spoken by the vast majority of the population
- **or**
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) - CEFR Level C1 or C2
- Or
- Equivalent Documentation of English language proficiency

****Please note that two full years of membership is required, along with an approved post-graduate qualification, in order to obtain Fellowship of the ACSLM, which is required for Senior Medical Scientist posts.**