RCSI HISTORIC SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES IN THE SCHOOLS OF SURGERY

Some of these scholarships and medals have since been disbanded. But for historic purposes this document will list all scholarships and medals.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS
The Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland will award each year three scholarships on the results of the Entrance Examination in General Education. Scholarships are tenable in the Medical School.

I. THE ARTHUR JACOB OPEN MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP
   This is an open medical scholarship.

II. THE FRANCIS NOLANS MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP
   This is confined to the son or daughter of an Irish Medical or Dental graduate domiciled in Ireland

III. COUNCIL’S SCHOLARSHIP
   This is confined to the son or daughter of an Irish citizen domiciled in Ireland.

These scholarships take the form of the remissions of £720 in tuition fees for each year of the medical course.

CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Candidates must reach honours standard (70%) in the examination in order to qualify. The candidates with the highest honours marks will be awarded the scholarships provided they are accepted by the Admissions Board for a place in the Medical School.
2. Candidates must not have reached the age of 20 years before the first day of the examination.
3. Each candidate is allowed one attempt only.
4. Scholarship holders are expected to pass the examinations of the medical course satisfactorily at the normal times and failure to do so may involve the suspension or discontinuation of the scholarship.

THE EVATT MEMORIAL MEDAL IN ANATOMY
This medal is presented by the Association of Graduates of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in memory of Professor E. J. R. Evatt who occupied the Chair of Anatomy in the College from 1913 to 1947. The medal is awarded at the close of the summer session to the First Year most proficient in Anatomy.

STONEY MEMORIAL GOLD MEDAL IN ANATOMY
This medal is awarded at the close of the second term of second year session to the student of the school who proves him/herself most proficient in Anatomy by examination. It is named in honour of Mr John Henry Loftie Stoney, a graduate and Fellow of the College who was a demonstrator in anatomy in RCSI and a lecturer in the Carmichael School from 1878-1883.

THE BARKER PRIZE - £100
The income from a fund bequeathed by John Barker (1818-79), curator of the museum from 1856 to 1879, provides this prize, which is awarded for dissections of selected regions of surgical importance. By the terms of Barker's will the judges are the President of the College, the professor of anatomy of Dublin University, and the curator of the College museum.
GUINEY & RYAN SUMMER STUDENTSHIP
Studentships are offered each summer to undergraduate students of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. The ‘Guiney Studentship’ and the ‘Ryan Studentship’ are named in honour of Professor Edward Guiney FRCSI (b. 1931) and Professor Max Ryan FFRRCSI (1927-2013), who were Surgeon Prosectors in the Department of Anatomy, RCSI.

Awardees are funded to work for 8 weeks during the summer period, under the supervision of a member of staff from the Department of Anatomy and a Travel Grant is provided to enable them attend a meeting of the Anatomical Society.

SAYED-HANSON MEMORIAL MEDAL
The Sayed-Hanson Memorial Medal is presented annually to the First Year Graduate Entry Medicine student most proficient in Anatomy. It is named in honour of Mr Kamal Sayed FRCSI (1934-2006) and Mr Sean Hanson FRCSI (1939-2006), who were Surgeon Prosectors in the Department of Anatomy, RCSI.

THE MACNAUGHTON-JONES GOLD MEDAL
In 1916 this prize was endowed by Henry Macnaughton-Jones to provide a medal in obstetrics and gynaecology. The endowment was supplemented in 1919 by a bequest of £230. It is awarded to the student who obtains the highest marks in these subjects in the final examination of the year in which he qualifies.

THE NORMAN RAE GOLD MEDAL IN BIOCHEMISTRY
This medal will be awarded to the student who obtains first place in the First Professional Part I examination in Biochemistry at the end of the first year, subject to a recommendation by the Professor. In memory of William Norman Rae, Professor of Chemistry, 1934-61, and Registrar 1938-62.

CAPTAIN HARRY GODFREY MASSY-MILES DONATION FOR OBSTETRICS
Terms and conditions of donation: A sum of £100 at 5 per cent. War Loan, Stock, lodged with the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland by Mrs. Charlotte E. J. Massy-Miles, to found a prize in the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland in memory of her husband, Captain Harry Godfrey Massy-Miles, M.C., to be awarded to the student who obtains the highest marks in the final Professional examination in Obstetrics and Gynaecology during the year, provided he fulfills the following conditions:

1. That he obtains at least 65 per cent of the total marks allotted to the examination.
2. That he completes his curriculum in the prescribed time of five years.
3. The prize to consist of books to the value of the annual income.

LEONARD ABRAHAMSON GOLD MEDAL AND PRIZE
The late Professor Leonard Abrahamson who held the chair of Medicine at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland for thirty years died in October, 1961. In order to perpetuate his memory some of his friends have founded the Leonard Abrahamson Gold Medal and Prize to be given to the undergraduate attaining the highest marks in a Medicine examination nominated by the Professor of Medicine. The medal is awarded in alternate years.

FITZSIMONS GOLD MEDAL IN SURGERY
Founded in 1957 in memory of John J. Fitzsimons, F.R.C.S.I., who bequeathed £250 to the College. A gold medal and money prize of £10 to the student who gains the highest marks in the Prize Examination in theory and practice of Surgery.
CARMICHAEL PRIZE
This prize examination will be held at the close of the Summer session and is open to students of the third year who have attended the lectures for their first and second professional examinations. The sum awarded £15.

Subjects for Examination: Anatomy, Physiology, Histology and Pharmacology, as required for the First and Second Professional Examinations.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Subject</th>
<th>Marks</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Anatomy</td>
<td>200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Physiology and Histology</td>
<td>200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pharmacology</td>
<td>200</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CARMICHAEL PRIZE ESSAY FUND (Pathology and Microbiology)
By a Cy-Pres order (14/12/71), the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland have ruled that the funds previously applied to a prize for an essay shall in future be awarded as a cash prize every second year to a student of Irish nationality of this College who attains the highest aggregate of marks awarded at either of the two immediate preceding examinations in the subjects of pathology and microbiology held in the College and who took the examination at the prescribed time as defined in the rules and regulations in force at this College.

Each prize to be applied by the successful student for the purpose suggested by him which in the opinion of the Registrar is calculated to advance his medical training and education. (See p. 95)

REUBEN HARVEY MEMORIAL PRIZE
In 1882, the friends of Reuben Harvey gave to the Royal College of Physicians £300 to found a Prize in his memory. Harvey was a pioneer in the teaching of practical physiology in Dublin at the Carmichael School, who had died, aged 36, in the previous year of petechial typhus contracted while on medical duty. It was until recently a triennial essay prize. By an order obtained from the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland it is now divided annually and given to the students in each of the three Dublin medical schools who obtain the highest aggregate marks in their Final Examinations. The prize takes the form of books or instruments.

COUNCIL’S PRIZE
The Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland awards a prize consisting of a Gold Medal and sum of £10. This prize is awarded annually after the Summer examinations to that candidate who has qualified at this examination or at the previous Spring or following Autumn examinations provided that the candidate:

a) has qualified within 57 months of his date of registration
b) has obtained honours in Medicine, Surgery and Obstetrics and first class honours in one of these subjects

SIR WILLIAM WHEELER MEMORIAL MEDAL IN SURGERY
The fund which provides the prize was bequeathed in 1943 by Sir William Ireland de Courcy Wheeler, President of the College in 1922-23.

THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF IRELAND TRAVELLING SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship, instituted in 1948, has a value of £300, and is to be awarded in May of every second year. It is open only to students of the Schools of Surgery, who shall have passed their final examinations not more than two years before the date of entry for the scholarship. The winner is obliged to undertake six months of
special study as approved by the College. Candidates will be examined by the professors of medicine, pathology, and physiology in the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and such examiners as the College may appoint. The subjects of the examinations are medicine, pathology, and physiology.

FRANCIS NOLAN PRIZE
In 1936 the late Mrs M. C. Nolans bequeathed £1000 to found a scholarship in memory of her late husband, Francis Molans, F.R.C.S.I.

It was decided by the Council to found a yearly entrance scholarship for the son or daughter of an Irish medical or dental graduate who obtains the highest marks in the preliminary examinations. The prize takes the form of a remission of all fees for the full period of six years.

MAYNE PRIZE
This prize examination is held at the close of the Summer session of Final Year. The sum awarded is £8 (see p. 107)

Subjects for Examination:
- Surgery (Theoretical and Practical) 450 marks
- Ophthalmic Surgery 100 marks
- Medicine 300 marks
- Obstetrics and Diseases of Women 100 marks
- Pathology 100 marks

QUINN PRIZE IN OPHTHALMOLOGY
Endowed in 1977 by Dr. Catherine Quinn, formerly ophthalmologist to Jervis Street Hospital, Dublin. Awarded in the fourth year by special examination open to candidates who have obtained honours in the College examination in Ophthalmology. Value £40.

CLASS PRIZES
In addition to the foregoing prizes, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded in the following subjects depending on the merit:

- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Microbiology
- Paediatrics
- Psychiatry
- Psychology
- Pathology
- Chemistry
- Forensic Medicine
- Pharmacology and Therapeutics
- Physics
- Physiology
- Social Medicine

Rules applicable to all Prize Examinations

1. Students, if required, shall bring proof of their professional standing.
2. Examinations at the will of the examiners to be practical, oral or written
3. Students competing for the class prizes must enter for examinations held for the session during which they have attended the lectures.
4. The examiners are at liberty to withhold any prize or scholarship unless the answering shall have attained a minimum of 50 per cent of each subject and a total on the entire examination.
5. The Examiners decision in all cases is final.
RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
In 1958 the College instituted Research Fellowships to the value of £600 each per annum. The fellowships are in medicine, surgery, pathology (The Houston Research Fellowship), Microbiology (The John Shekleton Research Fellowship), Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology. While primarily intended for recent medical graduates or for individuals with or studying for a higher degree in one of the basic sciences, these fellowships are also available to well qualified undergraduate students of the College. The various research projects are carried out in the College or in one of its affiliated hospitals under the direction of the Professor of the Department concerned.