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WINTER COURSE *in* CLINICAL RESEARCH

23 - 26 FEBRUARY 2026

ONLINE WEBINAR SERIES

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Winter Course in Clinical Research.

The Winter Course is led by the **Wellcome - Health Research Board Clinical Research Facility at St James's Hospital** (SJH) and in collaboration with the SJH Research and Innovation Programme, SJH Nursing and the Trinity College Dublin School of Medicine.

The importance of training and education cannot be overstated in cultivating a workforce that is not only aware of research but actively participates in it. This is a critical step towards realising SJH's goal of evolving into an Academic Health Science Centre.

With this in mind, our Winter Course is designed to serve as a gateway to the dynamic field of clinical research for newcomers, while also offering valuable updates for those with more research experience.

We trust that you will find the range of sessions we have prepared both informative and engaging. Should you have any questions, queries, or wish to provide feedback, please contact Gerry Hughes at ghughes@stjames.ie. We look forward to your active participation.

Enjoy the Winter Course!

HOW TO USE THIS PROGRAMME

The Winter Course has been designed so that **participants can book and attend individual sessions**, removing the commitment to book into a full week of activities.

Each page of this programme contains a **short description of the session** and **information about the speakers**. Details of session **date and time** are also provided.

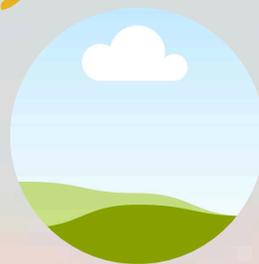
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SESSION TITLE

Session overview

If a speaker bio is available, it can be found by clicking on their name

Name



DESCRIPTION OF ROLE

Booking Details

DATE

TIME

REGISTRATION LINK

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

Date & Time	Title
Monday 23rd February 1300 - 1400	Clinical Academic Pathways
Tuesday 24th February 1300 - 1400	Essentials of Quantitative and Qualitative Clinical Research
Wednesday 25th February 1300 - 1345	The Art of Grant Writing in Clinical Research
Thursday 26th February 1300 - 1430	Conducting Your Research at St James's Hospital
	Overview of Research Design and Biostatistics

CLINICAL ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

This session provides an overview of career trajectories that integrate clinical practice with academic research. Participants will gain insight into the roles, responsibilities, and progression routes within clinical academia, including opportunities in research, teaching, and leadership. Designed for clinicians at early career stages, the session aims to clarify how to strategically navigate and advance within academic practice.

Speakers

Dr James Curneen



Specialist Registrar Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics, ICAT Fellow Galway
University Hospitals & University of Galway

Dr Grainne Sheill



Clinical Specialist Physiotherapist in
Cancer Rehabilitation SJH
Adjunct Assistant Professor TCD

Ms Mala Shah



Chief II Pharmacist, HSE AMRIC
Adjunct Senior Lecturer, School of
Pharmacy, University College Cork

Dr Claire Behan



ANP in Epilepsy SJH
Lecturer and Programme Director
RCSI School of Nursing and
Midwifery

MON 23RD FEB

1300 - 1400

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ESSENTIALS OF QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE CLINICAL RESEARCH

Delve into the core principles of quantitative and qualitative research, exploring the intricacies of study design, data collection and analysis. This session equips participants with the foundational skills needed to conduct robust quantitative and qualitative research in the clinical setting, fostering a data-driven approach for impactful scientific contributions.

Speakers

Ms Shannon Mickelson
Campbell



Principal Data Scientist
Informatics Directorate SJH

Dr Brian Keogh



Assoc Prof Mental Health Nursing
School of Nursing & Midwifery TCD

TUES 24TH FEB

1300 - 1400

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THE ART OF GRANT WRITING IN CLINICAL RESEARCH

A comprehensive overview of successful grant writing in clinical research. From identifying funding opportunities to constructing compelling proposals, participants will learn how to navigate the grant applications landscape. This session also delves into identifying diverse funding sources and understanding application processes. Attendees will receive an outline of the many opportunities available to you from a diverse range of funding bodies.

Speaker

Dr Sharee Basdeo



Assistant Professor in TB Immunology
Trinity College Dublin

WED 25TH FEB

1300 - 1345

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CONDUCTING YOUR RESEARCH AT SJH

This session will cover the hospital research application process, highlighting the importance of research governance and how to distinguish research from non-research activities. It covers common pitfalls, practical tips for navigating approvals, and supporting researchers.

An overview of the Joint Research Ethics Committee will also be provided, covering its purpose, ethical governance, review timelines, and share practical tips to help you submit a successful application

Speakers

Dr Catherine Ludden



Programme Manager
Research & Innovation
St James's Hospital

Dr Sadhbh O' Neill



Head of Research
Tallaght University Hospital

THURS 26TH FEB

1300 - 1345

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OVERVIEW OF RESEARCH DESIGN & BIostatISTICS

A practical introduction to data management, the role of data and statistics in clinical research – and how to find help!

Examples of gathering quality evidence for impact will be discussed and the role data and statistics plays in research design. This will be followed by an interactive session where participants' research needs will be explored.

Speaker

Dr Caitriona Ryan

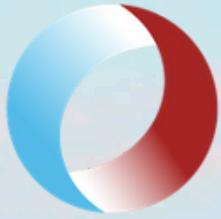


Associate Professor in Statistics and
Trial Design School of Medicine TCD

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