NIPC Graduate Network

Research Grant 2026

The NIPC Research Bursary

This bursary will be awarded to a member of the NIPC Graduate Network to specifically support research dissemination or a current relevant research activity. This includes:

- Research dissemination of his/her/their MSc dissertation project. This could include support to attend a relevant conference to present a poster or oral abstract presentation of the MSc dissertation specifically.
- Research dissemination of a relevant project either completed or currently underway, since graduating from any of the MSc programmes within the portfolio in "Preventive Medicine and Cardiovascular Health". Again, this could include costs associated with attendance to a relevant conference to present a poster or oral abstract presentation of this research.
- Support to purchase specific equipment as part of a research programme that has been approved by a research ethics committee.

The successful candidate will receive €1,000 as a contribution towards research dissemination at a relevant conference or where relevant support the equipment costs associated with a current project that has ethics approval in place.

Eligibility Criteria

This bursary is designed to support members of the NIPC Graduate Network who have graduated from one of the MSc programmes within the "Preventive Medicine and Cardiovascular Health" awarded by University of Galway's School of Medicine and delivered in partnership with NIPC:

- MSc / PG Dip in Preventive Cardiology
- MSc / PG Dip in Diabetes
- MSc / PG Dip in Obesity
- MSc / PG Dip in Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation

Eligibility for application and requirements include:

- You must be a graduate from one of the above programmes
- You must be a member of the NIPC Graduate Network
- Attend at least one NIPC Graduate Network meeting annually
- Have published in at least one peer-reviewed journal since completion of the MSc
- Evidence of abstract acceptance as either an oral or poster presentation (where relevant)
- The research is relevant to the field of preventive medicine and cardiovascular health
- Be prepared to present your project to fellow graduates at a subsequent NIPC Network meeting and write a short summary piece for the NIPC / NIPC Graduate Network e-bulletin

How to Apply

Applications must outline the process undertaken to achieve the publication and the subsequent dissemination plan or provide details of the current research programme. Applications should be no more than 500 words and must include a copy of the publication, where relevant. All applications to be sent to maureen.boyle@universityofgalway.ie Please ensure to include current contact details and year of graduation from the University of Galway.

- The opening date for applications is **6th February 2026.**
- The closing date for applications is **20th March 2026.**

Terms & Conditions

- The bursary is only valid from June 2026 to June 2027, and you will be notified of your success no later than 1st June 2026.
- Where relevant, payment of the bursary will happen after the educational event, whereby successful applicants must provide evidence of conference attendance, and appropriate receipts for travel, hotel accommodation and conference registrations. All other costs associated with attendance are at the applicant's own expense.
- The research bursary can only be used for one specific event or project and where the full amount is not utilised, this will be retained by the NIPC for future educational bursaries.