

# MSC (DEMENTIA)

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## Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for MSc in Dementia (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Integrate knowledge of brain regions, cognitive domains and specific cognitive syndromes to aid diagnosis and individualized care planning;
- Evaluate models of dementia diagnosis and post diagnostic support, within health and social care systems, and in broader society;
- Critically appraise the available literature relating to dementia diagnosis and care (including restorative and adaptive cognitive interventions, psychoeducational and supportive care);
- Incorporate evidence based practice and quality improvement into everyday work;
- Adopt an ethical, person-centred approach to dementia care across the disease trajectory;
- Reflect upon the complex relationship between communication and cognitive impairment;
- Plan, execute and disseminate research in a dementia related topic;
- Critically discuss the processes involved in planning care, choosing appropriate goals and determining successful outcome for a person with cognitive impairment or dementia;
- Reflect on the role of members of the multidisciplinary team in dementia care.