



# DIFC

UNIVERSITY  
FOUNDATION  
PROGRAMME

Health Science  
(Medicine) Foundation  
Programme

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More than a pathway

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Study in one of ten world-renowned  
Medical Universities

Intakes every September and January

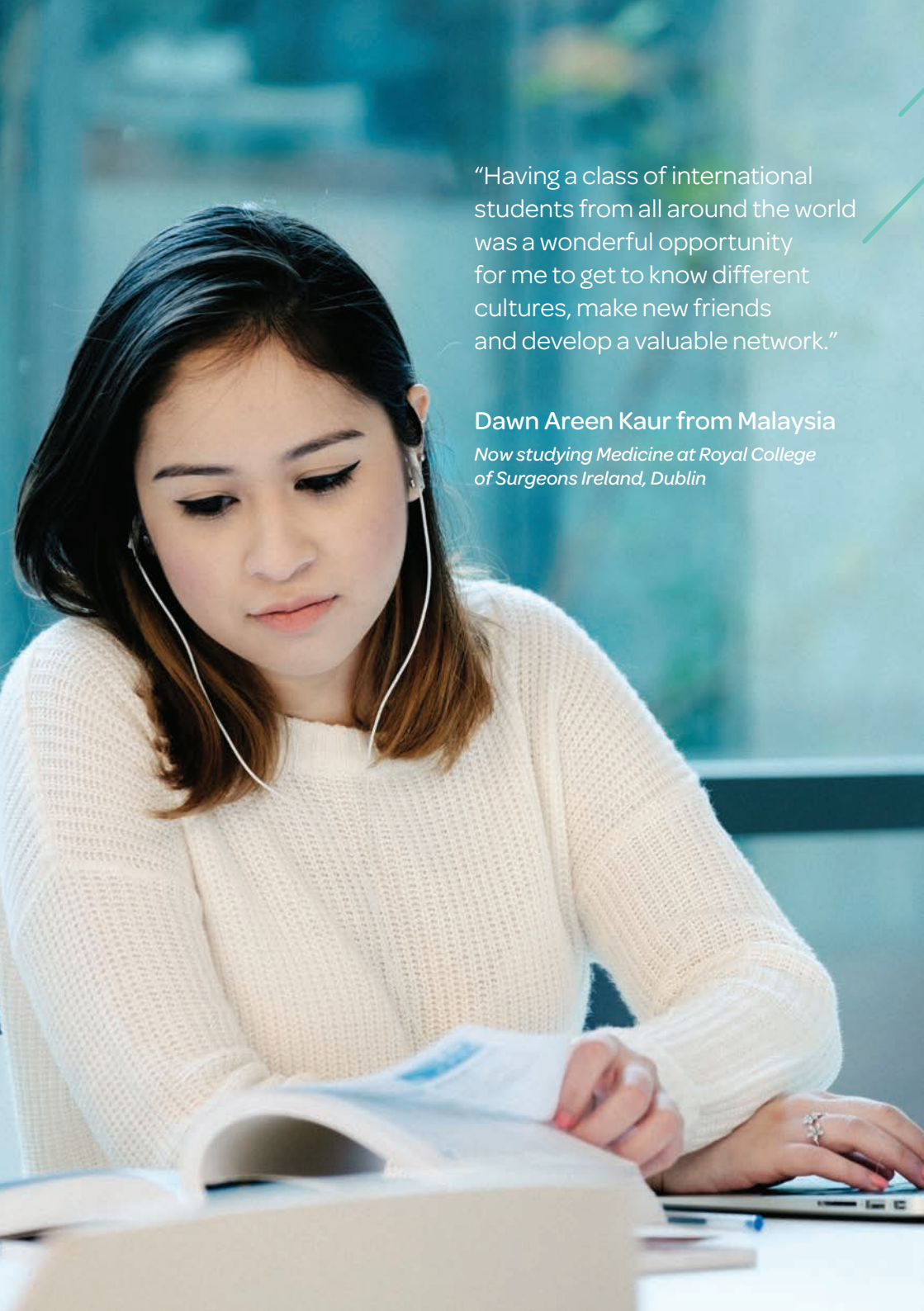
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DIFC Your best  
pathway to Medicine

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"Having a class of international students from all around the world was a wonderful opportunity for me to get to know different cultures, make new friends and develop a valuable network."

**Dawn Areen Kaur from Malaysia**

*Now studying Medicine at Royal College of Surgeons Ireland, Dublin*

## CHECKS AND BALANCE

*How does the NCUK International Foundation Year - Health Science qualification check out?*

Let's face it. Studying Medicine is challenging. The academic competition is fierce, you are adapting to a new country and you are making new friends - there is a lot on your plate.

So making sure that your IFY Health Science programme checks out as it should across a number of areas is very important.

First off, you need to find a programme that will guide you through the admissions and visa processes, as well as helping with settling in to a new city and country. **Check.**

You also need high quality academic teaching to help you to succeed in your degree course. **Check.**

Perhaps, you want a programme that gives you the specialist English language, study and cultural skills that will enable you to succeed in university. **Check.**



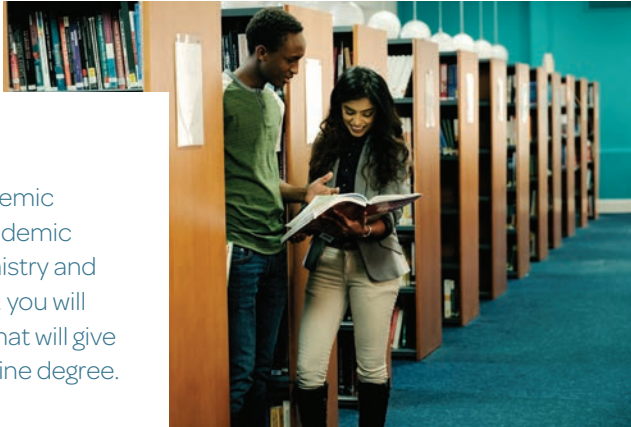
You will definitely need tailored support and guidance on your university applications and specialised preparation for all admission requirements to Medicine degrees. **Check.**

Then, crucially, you need to find a programme that will develop you academically, not just in teaching you the subject matter; but one that will develop your skills in the areas of critical thinking, problem solving and time management (**check, check and check again**).

Finally, you want a programme that offers you a balance between preparing you extremely well and making the most of your down time. We place major emphasis on your physical and emotional wellbeing. With outings and social events in a vibrant city in a happening country, DIFC ensures that this really is more than a pathway. This is an experience that you will carry with you for the rest of your life.

**DIFC checks out.**  
**We think you should check in.**





## WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will study English for Academic Purposes (EAP) and three academic modules: Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology. Within these subjects, you will develop vital academic skills that will give you a head start in your Medicine degree.

## WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

You must be 17 years old and have successfully completed your high school education (IGCSE's and O-Levels accepted). Furthermore, you must have a recognised English language qualification (e.g. IELTS or TOEFL). For country specific details, please contact us.



## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The tuition fees for IFY Health Science are €17,800 plus registration and other charges.

Compared to similar programmes offered in the UK, you can save up to 25% by choosing to study your Foundation Year in Ireland. Details of full fees and country comparisons are available on [www.difc.ie](http://www.difc.ie)

## HOW DO I APPLY TO UNIVERSITY?

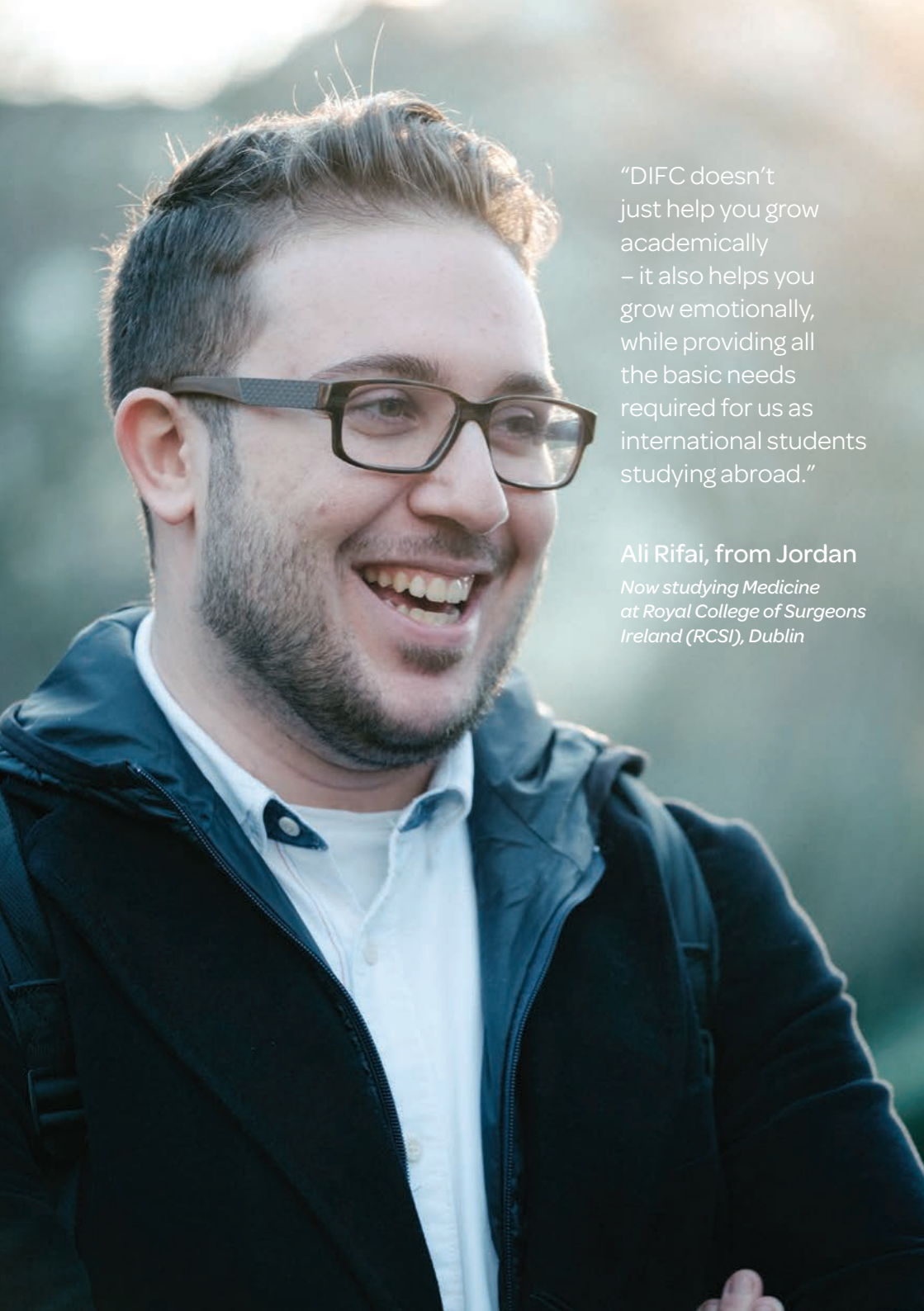
DIFC has a dedicated team of staff that will help guide you through the University application process and fully prepare you for all the admission requirements. You will also receive regular tutorials that are dedicated to helping you prepare for your University applications.



"After my Foundation studies with DIFC, I graduated from The Royal College of Surgeons In Ireland with Honours. Now, I am working as a Clinical Analyst in Ireland and looking to start my residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology in the USA soon."

**Azibanigha Scott From Nigeria**

*Graduated from Medicine at Royal College of Surgeons Ireland in 2016*



“DIFC doesn’t just help you grow academically – it also helps you grow emotionally, while providing all the basic needs required for us as international students studying abroad.”

**Ali Rifai, from Jordan**

*Now studying Medicine at Royal College of Surgeons Ireland (RCSI), Dublin*

## WHERE CAN I STUDY?

DIFC has a range of partner Medicine programmes for you to progress your studies in Medicine.

University	Degree Programme	Grades Required NCUK Health Science Foundation	
		NCUK EAP Grade	Health & Science Foundation Grades
RCSI, Dublin	Medicine (6 years)	B/A	A,A,A (Minimum in IFY)*
RCSI, Penang Pathway	Medicine (6 years)	B	A,A,A
University of Central Lancashire (UCLan, UK)	Medicine (5 years)	A	A,A,B inclusive of A in chemistry
Queen Mary University of London, Malta Campus	Medicine (5 years)	A	A,A,B
Charles University, Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic	General Medicine (6 years)	B	Entrance Examination
Debrecen University Hungary	General Medicine MD (6 years)	B	Entrance Examination
Lithuanian University of Health Sciences (LSMU), Kaunas	General Medicine (6 years)	B	A,B,B and Entrance Examination
European University Cyprus (EUC)	Medicine (6 years)	B	A,A,B
St George’s University, Grenada	Medicine (5 years)	B	Three A or B grades

\* Subject to seats available on Dublin programme



## OUR STUDENTS' SUCCESS

### Sample Placements for Class of 2018

Nationality	Final Placement
Nigerian	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (Dublin)
Emirati	Lithuanian University of Health Sciences
Nigerian	Lithuanian University of Health Sciences
Iraqi	University of Central Lancashire (UCLan)
Ugandan	Charles University (Czech Republic)
Malaysian	University of Central Lancashire (UCLan)
Malaysian	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (Dublin)
Nigerian	European University Cyprus
Iraqi	Lithuanian University of Health Sciences
Indian	Charles University (Czech Republic)
Malaysian	University of Central Lancashire (UCLan)
Emirati	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (Dublin)

## OUR STUDENT AMBASSADORS

Our Students Ambassadors are someone that you can talk to, who will share their experience of DIFC and Ireland. They can tell you what to expect, the things that were just as they anticipated – and the things that took them by surprise!



Dawn Kaur - Malaysia



Ali Rifai - Jordan/Saudi Arabia



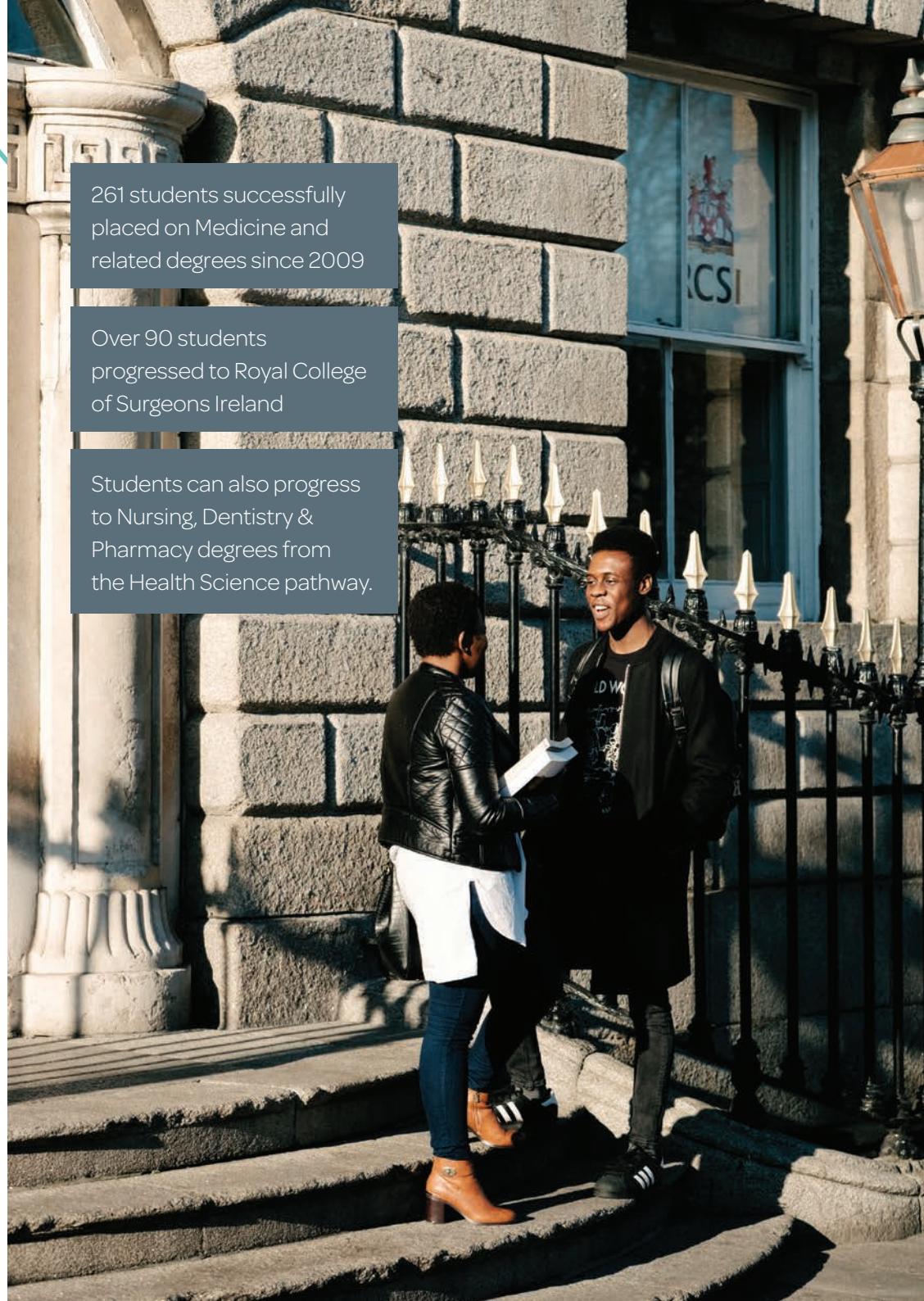
Babatunde Kehinde – Nigeria

To speak to one of our student ambassadors, please contact us.

261 students successfully placed on Medicine and related degrees since 2009

Over 90 students progressed to Royal College of Surgeons Ireland

Students can also progress to Nursing, Dentistry & Pharmacy degrees from the Health Science pathway.



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your journey with DIFC  
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