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# A Guide to Registering with CORU as an International Applicant



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# Who are CORU?

**CORU is the official body that regulates Health and Social Care Professionals in Ireland.**

If you wish to work in a profession that is regulated by CORU, you must first register with us, as this is a legal requirement. Registration helps protect the public and shows that you meet the required standards to work in your profession in Ireland. It also allows you to use a protected professional title, helping you to advance your career in health and social care.

If you are a member of the following professions, you must register with CORU:

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ▶ Dietitian              | ▶ Podiatrist                    |
| ▶ Dispensing Optician    | ▶ Radiographer                  |
| ▶ Medical Scientist      | ▶ Radiation Therapist           |
| ▶ Occupational Therapist | ▶ Social Care Worker            |
| ▶ Optometrist            | ▶ Social Worker                 |
| ▶ Physiotherapist        | ▶ Speech and Language Therapist |

## Applying for Registration

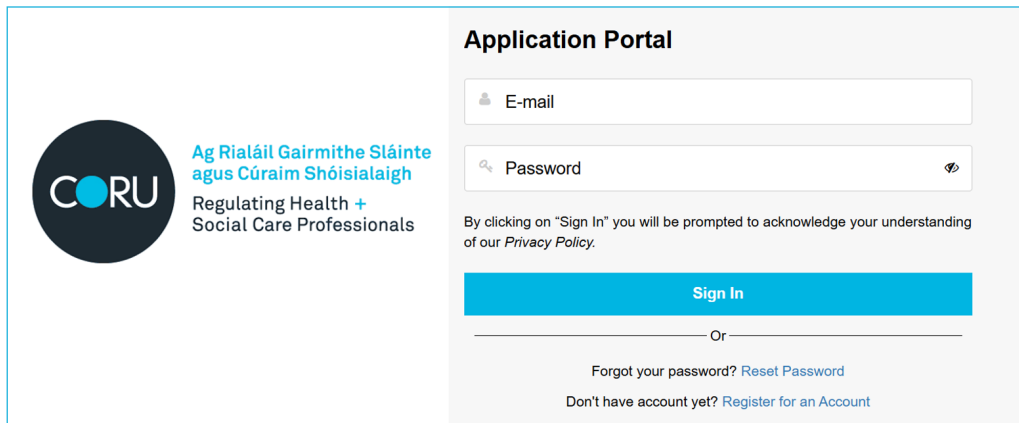
Application for registration is made online. You can access the application portal at:  
<https://coru.portaleu.thentiacloud.net/webs/portal/application/#/login>

If you have any questions, please contact CORU at: [registration@coru.ie](mailto:registration@coru.ie)

# Applying to CORU

## Step 1: Apply Online

Visit the **[Apply for Registration page](#)** on the CORU website and fill out the online application form. As you progress through the application, you will be required to upload documents relating to your qualification and experience.



The screenshot shows the CORU Application Portal login interface. On the left is the CORU logo and text: 'Ag Rialáil Gairmithe Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh' and 'Regulating Health + Social Care Professionals'. On the right, under the heading 'Application Portal', there are input fields for 'E-mail' and 'Password'. Below these is a 'Sign In' button. A note states: 'By clicking on "Sign In" you will be prompted to acknowledge your understanding of our Privacy Policy.' Below the button is an 'Or' separator, followed by links for 'Forgot your password? Reset Password' and 'Don't have account yet? Register for an Account'.

## How to Start Your Application:

### 1. Create your Profile:

- ▶ First, you need to create a profile to start your application by entering your personal details on the online application portal.

### 2. Verify your Documents:

- ▶ Before you upload any documents, you must have certain documents viewed and verified by an approved certifier (someone who can confirm your documents are real e.g. a Solicitor/Lawyer or Peace Commissioner).
- ▶ Documents marked with an \* in the following pages must be viewed, signed, stamped and dated by an approved certifier.
- ▶ Documents marked with an \*\* must be signed and stamped by your university.

**Important:** Your application cannot move forward unless the required documents you upload as part of your application are verified by an approved certifier or your university.

### 3. Fill in your application:

You will need to provide details about:

- ▶ The **Regulator (competent authority)** in the country where you obtained your qualification.
- ▶ Your **Qualification** (what you studied).
- ▶ **Practice Placements** you completed as part of your studies.
- ▶ Any **Work Experience/Employment** or **Training** you want to include in your application.

## Step 2: Upload the Documents Required for Registration

**Note the Documents that need to be Verified before you upload with your application**

- ▶ \*Verified by an Approved Certifier
- ▶ \*\*Stamped by your University OR Verified by an Approved Certified
- ▶ \*\*\*Verified by employer

**What Documents do I need to get Verified before applying?**

1. \*Certified copy of I.D (passport, EU ID card, Irish Driving Licence or Learner Permit (new credit card format)).
2. \*Competent authority verification (signed and stamped by your home country's professional authority/regulator) You must be eligible to be registered or practise your profession in the country in which you obtained your qualification.
3. \*Certified Statutory Declaration (a document signed under oath confirming that all information contained in your application is accurate and true).
4. \*Certified copy of police clearance from countries you have lived in for over 1 year since the age of 18 years.
5. Proof of Competence in the English Language (note: this does not need to be certified).

### How Do I Get my Required Documents Verified and Certified?

**As you will be applying online with copies of documents \*above, these need to be verified first by an approved certifier.** To certify a photocopy of an original document a certifier must see the original document and the photocopy of the document at the same time. The photocopy of the original document must then be signed, stamped and dated by the certifier, which confirms the photocopy is a true copy of the original document.

### Who Can Verify my Documents?

An Approved Certifier can be:

- ▶ A Solicitor/Lawyer
- ▶ A Commissioner for Oaths
- ▶ A Notary Public or
- ▶ A Peace Commissioner

You can then upload the signed, stamped and dated photocopy of your document when completing your online application.

## Step 2: Upload the Documents Required for Registration - continued

The following need to be stamped by your University OR Verified by an Approved Certifier

5. \*\*Copy of your qualification certificate.
6. \*\*Copy of qualification transcripts.
7. \*\*Copy of course syllabus/handbook to include description of course modules and practice placements. Please note that only the **first and last** pages of the syllabus are required to be stamped.
8. \*\*Practice placement information (**signed and stamped by your university or your placement provider**).
  - ▶ Please include as much information as possible about your practice placement duties, including learning outcomes. **Please indicate if your practice placement was supervised by a member of your profession.**

Additional Documents that will help in the Assessment of your Application, but are not Mandatory for your Application to be Submitted

14. \*Certified Continual Professional Development (CPD) certificates, **if relevant**.
  - ▶ CPD is not mandatory for your application. However, if you have completed CPD and wish to include it, ensure the CPD certificates are certified before uploading to your application.
15. \*\*Research Project.
  - ▶ It is important to include research completed as part of your qualification/training or completed post qualification.
16. \*\*Internship qualification.
  - ▶ If you have completed an internship, please provide all details with your application.
17. \*\*\*Employment verification form if relevant (**signed and stamped by employer**).
  - ▶ Please include as much information as possible about your employment history, particularly your duties and responsibilities in your own words.
18. \*\*Secondary qualification, if relevant.
  - ▶ **Requires all the same information for primary qualification – qualification certificate, transcripts, syllabus, practice placement information, and verification forms, stamped by the University or certified in the same way as your primary qualification.**

## Step 3: Make Payment of €510 Fee and Submit Application Online

Once you reach Step 18 on your application, you will be asked to make payment of €510. Following the submission of your application, we will inform you of any outstanding or missing documents in your application or notify you that your file is complete. You will be contacted via the online application portal.

**File Complete:** when all the documents have been verified by CORU, your application will be deemed 'File Complete'.

Your application will then be sent for assessment. Two assessors from the profession: 1 Practitioner and 1 Educator will assess your application against the **Standards of Proficiency** for your profession.

If your qualification is recognised as aligned with the Standards of Proficiency to practise your profession in Ireland, you can progress to **Step 4**.

If your qualification does not align to the Standards of Proficiency, you will be required to complete a **Compensation Measure**.

## Step 4: What is the final step in the Application after Approval?

**You will be entered onto the CORU Register**

**Need help?**

Email: [registration@coru.ie](mailto:registration@coru.ie)

# Quick Links



Follow this QR code to read the International Qualifications Page.



Follow this QR code to read the Complete Guidance Document for International Applicants.



Follow this QR code to read the Standards of Proficiency.



Follow this QR code to see the Video: A Guide for International Applicants on Becoming a Registered Professional.

The registration team at CORU are available to assist you should you have any further queries. You can reach us on



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[registration@coru.ie](mailto:registration@coru.ie)



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