

The Mathews Family Scholarship

A scholarship of £6,500 will be awarded annually to a Queen's medical student to undertake the Intercalated degree 'MSc (Res) in Cancer Medicine. This includes an extensive project and Dissertation in breast cancer research in the Centre of Cancer Research and Cell Biology.

Three Mathews brothers, Samson, Robert and Samuel, from a farming family in Co Antrim, graduated in Medicine from Queen's in the 1880s. The three young men left Ireland and established medical practices in Sheffield, England and commenced a family tradition of medical graduation (mostly Queen's Belfast), that has spanned five generations and produced almost 50 physicians throughout the world.

In recognition of this tradition Dr Colin Wallace Mathews (QUB 1979), of the 4th generation, has established "The Mathews Family Trust" to fund an annual scholarship to be awarded to a Queen's medical student to undertake the intercalated degree 'MSc (Res) in Cancer Medicine'.

This will include an extensive project and Dissertation in breast cancer research in memory of his late wife and medical partner, Trish Mathews (Dr Patricia Carson) who died, age 56, from this disease in 2012.

This Award is open to current medical students and will be conditional upon successful completion of at least three years medicine to 2:1 honours standard or above.

Candidates should submit a 300 word application clearly stating their reasons for wishing to undertake the intercalated MSc (Res) in Cancer Medicine and specifically in breast cancer research.

Applications for awards should be submitted to the Postgraduate and Professional Development Office by the end of January. The academic background of the candidates will be taken into consideration along with the 300 word application.

The recipient is required to write a thank you letter to the donor, copied to Head of School and the Stewardship Officer within the Development & Alumni Relations Office