

Centre for Medical and Health Sciences Education (CMHSE)

# Research Seminar Series

Monday 17 September 2018, 12noon - 1.30pm  
Room 503-024, Grafton Campus

**Using art within Visual Thinking Strategies to support the development of patient-centred competencies in undergraduate health professionals**

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Visual Thinking Strategies (VTS) uses small group facilitated sessions to explore visual art. It has been embedded in the BPharm programme since 2016 with the overarching goal of supporting the development of generic competencies relevant to health professionals.

These competencies are increasingly seen as critical within inter-professional teams providing patient-centred health care. At the end of 2017, students were surveyed to determine their perceptions of the value of VTS sessions in the BPharm curriculum.

**In our session together we will:**

- 1) Introduce Visual Thinking Strategies (VTS).
- 2) Have attendees participate in a VTS structured discussion about an art image.
- 3) Debrief about the VTS session.
- 4) Discuss the professional and personal competencies that VTS may support to develop in undergraduate health professionals.
- 5) Report on data from the Part 2 and 3 BPharm student VTS pilot implementation survey in November, 2017.

**Come join us to experience VTS as a participant and consider its relevance to developing person-centred health professionals.**

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12noon – 12.30pm – light lunch and networking

12.30 – 1.30pm – Seminar presentations

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