



Tuesday 19 May 2026 09.05 – 10.35 Specialist Registration via the Portfolio pathway Application Process

This session will be beneficial for anyone thinking of or in the process of applying for Specialist Registration via the Portfolio pathway route. The event will be run by

Mr Jayasis Bandyopadhyay Chair of the Portfolio pathway Faculty
Mr Robert Hulston, Portfolio Pathway Manager

The session will include an overview of the Portfolio pathway process, guidance on what evidence to submit, tips from those who have submitted successful Portfolio pathway applications, tips on how to succeed, maximising the chances of success and why applications are unsuccessful and a Q&A session, You will also have access to experienced Portfolio pathway Assessors. There will also be a short presentation from a previous applicant who successfully negotiated the process.

The session is not a substitute for the Portfolio pathway Applicant Training Days run by the college where attendees will receive a more in depth information on the process.

09.05 – 09.15 Presentation from Robert Hulston, Portfolio pathway Manager at RCOphth

This will include an overview of the college and GMC process with some tips on how to succeed and why applicants fail.

09.15 – 09.55 Presentation form Mr Jayasis Bandyopadhyay, Portfolio pathway Co-Chair of the Faculty at RCOphth

This will include:

An Introduction to Portfolio pathway process

Tips for applicants

Maximising chances of success

Why applications are unsuccessful

Key differences with 'old' curriculum applications and curriculum 2024 applications

09.55 – 10.20 Presentation from previous Portfolio pathway Applicant Dr Akanksha Bagchi

10.15 – 10.35 Q&A