



# MSc/PG Dip/PG Cert Physiotherapy

**The course has been developed to enable physiotherapists to develop, deliver and direct high quality, world class physiotherapy services.**

The course aims to equip physiotherapists with the knowledge and skills required to operate at senior and strategic levels in today's health care services. Within a climate of evidence-based practice and internationalisation, the School has developed an exciting and modern postgraduate provision. The course provides a foundation for professional development upon which the individual can build their future success.





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## School of Health Sciences

The University has an impressive worldwide reputation for academic excellence and is part of the Russell Group of 20 leading UK universities. The School is ranked fifth in the UK in terms of its research power for nursing and midwifery.

## Duration

PG Cert (60 credits), PG Dip (120 credits), and MSc (180 credits): all run for one year full-time or two years part-time.

Or additional flexibility via a pre-determined mixture of part-time and full-time study for up to a maximum of four years.

## Location

All physiotherapy specific modules are taught at the City Hospital with some core modules delivered at the Medical school, Queen's Medical Centre or University Park campus.

## Introduction

The MSc offers grounding in critical analysis and will equip students with the skills to evaluate contemporary, advanced and specialists, professional practice. The course supports the development of clinical leadership skills, management and health care education. The pathway offers students flexible professional development opportunities without specialisation.

## Career opportunities

The MSc enables physiotherapists to advance their careers and operate at senior levels be it in clinical practice, higher education, management or research, with graduates securing posts as clinical managers, consultant physiotherapists, extended scope practitioners and research physiotherapists.

## Course structure

Individual study pathways are developed with the course director before the course.

The course is comprised of two specialists pathway modules (60 credits), one research core module (30 credits), 30 credits from common modules plus a 60 credit dissertation.

### Specialists modules:

Movement Science in stroke rehabilitation (30 credits)  
Innovations in neurological rehabilitation (30 credits)

### Or:

Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Practice one (30 credits)  
Advanced Neuromusculoskeletal Practice two (30 credits)

### Research core modules:

Evidence for Health and Social Care (30 credits)

### Common modules:

Teaching and Learning in Health and Social Care (30 credits)  
Advancing NMS Practice (diagnostics) (30 credits)  
Advanced Physiotherapy Practice (cardio-respiratory) (30 credits)  
Work based modules (10 or 20 credits)\*

Contemporary Practice in Injection Therapy (20 credits)\*  
Leadership in Health and Social Care (30 credits)

\*only available to HCPC registered students

## Support and assessment

Academic support is provided by the module convenor of the modules. The University library provides language support and library skills. All students will be allocated a personal tutor to provide pastoral support. Methods of assessment are varied and include written assignments, case presentations, research paper analysis, VLE examinations and a mini laboratory report.

## Funding and scholarships

Most UK students are funded through their employers and NHS training monies. Some students have also been successful in obtaining scholarships from national funding bodies. Further information about funding opportunities is available on our website in the Postgraduate Study area.

## Entry requirements

A first degree in physiotherapy or a related healthcare subject of at least a 2.2 classification with relevant experience or equivalent. The course requires a minimum of two years' clinical experience.

**Other requirements:** International students whose first language is not English are required to have the following English language qualifications before they can register on an academic programme.

**IELTS:** 6.5 (no less than 6.0 in any element)

**Pearson Academic:** 62 (with a minimum of 55)

CELE pre-sessional course final assessment of 'Pass with Merit'.

Should you require registration to the HCPC the English Language proficiency standard required is IELTS score 7 (with no element below 6.5) or the equivalent.

## How to apply

Visit the school website at [www.nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences) and select this course from the Postgraduate Study area. You can apply electronically within the course entry using the 'Apply for this course' button.

## Find out more

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