ADVANCED PHYSIOTHERAPY: PAEDIATRICS MSc
2019/20 ENTRY

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Advanced Physiotherapy: Paediatrics MSc

This postgraduate programme integrates the advanced clinical, theoretical, academic and research components of paediatric physiotherapy practice. The emphasis is on the management of paediatric patients with cardiorespiratory, neurological and musculoskeletal disorders. Flexibility in selection of modules allows for your particular interests to be accommodated.

**Degree summary**

This MSc offers you the opportunity to extend your understanding of key areas in physiotherapy, including challenging the foundations of established but poorly justified treatments, developing and undertaking clinical research and practice, learning about new and emerging treatment options. You will also benefit from the mentorship of recognised experts in paediatric physiotherapy.

UCL is a world-class university and this well-established and popular postgraduate physiotherapy programme is highly regarded both locally and internationally. Our close relationship with Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children means that much of our research and training is carried out on a joint basis. You will receive expert tuition with lectures, tutorials and workshops delivered by recognised experts in physiotherapy practice. You will also will undertake one placement as a compulsory module. MSc students may choose to undertake a second placement as an optional module.

The programme is delivered through a combination of teaching and self-directed learning, and includes up to six weeks of clinical placements. Assessment is through clinical assessments, written assignments, oral presentations, multiple choice tests, submission of the literature review and research proposal, assessed coursework, unseen and prior disclosure written examinations, and the dissertation with an oral presentation.

**Degree structure**

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years; Flexible: 2-5 years  
Location: London, Bloomsbury  
Modules run over five to six consecutive working days. Full-time students generally take four modules per term. Part-time and modular/flexible students take one to three modules per term.  
Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of five compulsory modules (75 credits), three optional modules (45 credits) and the research dissertation (60 credits).  
A Postgraduate Diploma (120 credits, full-time 12 months, flexible 2-5 years) is offered.  
A Postgraduate Certificate (60 credits, part-time 12 months) is offered. Students take 60 credits of core modules.  
Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

**COMPULSORY MODULES**

- Physiotherapy Research & Dissemination
- Paediatric Neuro Physiotherapy
- Paediatric Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy
- Paediatric Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy
- Clinical Education in Advanced Physiotherapy Part I
- Research Methods and Statistics
- Paediatric and Adolescent Sports and Performance Injury Prevention and Management

**OPTIONAL MODULES**

- Clinical Education in Advanced Physiotherapy Part II
- Work Based Learning in Health
- Disability and Development
- Child Development: Inclusive Approaches in Global Contexts
- Leadership & Professional Development
- Paediatric and Adolescent Sports and Performance, Injury Prevention and Management
- Clinical Exercise and Physical Activity
- Respiration through Life, Health and Disease
- Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Skills
- Motor Control in Life, Health and Disease
- The Heart Through Life, Health and Disease

**DISSERTATION/REPORT**

- All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a substantial report and an oral examination.

There is a compulsory three-week placement (105 hours of contact time). There is an optional second placement. These placements are part of the Clinical Education in Advanced Physiotherapy modules.
Your career

The programme will provide you with knowledge and experience for a career in academia, research or clinical practice. You will also develop the skills to pursue senior positions within your specialist clinical career field.

Employability

The programme aims to transform the way you think about expert patient care, and the theoretical foundation for paediatric physiotherapy clinical practice. The programme provides a rigorous, evidence-based training in best research and clinical practice. You will graduate with skills suitable for a range of clinical, educational or research posts.
Entry requirements

Normally a minimum of an upper second-class UK Bachelor’s degree or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard in physiotherapy; or an approved diploma in physiotherapy together with evidence of appropriate clinical and/or teaching experience and a commitment to continuing professional development. We expect students to have had at least 2 years post-qualification clinical experience and UK state-registration is preferred.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Standard.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:
// why you want to study Advanced Physiotherapy: Paediatrics at graduate level
// why you want to study Advanced Physiotherapy: Paediatrics at UCL
// what particularly attracts you to this programme
// how your academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
// where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. Further information can be found at: www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.

FEES AND FUNDING 2019/20 ENTRY

// UK: £11,340 (FT), £5,665 (PT)
// EU: £11,340 (FT), £5,665 (PT)
// Overseas: £26,660 (FT), £13,340 (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Students website.

Fees for flexible, modular study are charged pro-rata to the appropriate full-time Master’s fee taken in an academic session.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 26 July 2019

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

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