



# Physiotherapy

## BSc(Hons)

### The Course

This degree offers you a dynamic approach to the study of physiotherapy and provides you with the problem solving abilities to become a competent professional physiotherapist.

You will gain a solid knowledge base and placement experiences appropriate to cope with contemporary physiotherapy practice.

You will also have the opportunity to gain the Register of Exercise Professionals level 2 and 3 qualifications by studying some additional short courses.

The course focuses on anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, biomechanics, physiotherapy practice, and electrophysics. You gain research skills and benefit from learning interprofessionally throughout the three years.

**First Year** - This year is all about developing your knowledge of physiotherapy and professional practice and learning to adopt a problem-solving approach through scenario-based learning. Modules include:

- foundations for physiotherapy practice
- neuromusculoskeletal 1
- cardiorespiratory
- neurosciences 1
- introduction to interprofessional education

**“** *All the staff in the department are really approachable and friendly. Their doors are always open for us, which is really encouraging.*

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**Lisa Murtagh**  
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You will carry out a two-week practice placement in Semester A and a four-week placement at the end of your first year.

**Second Year** - In your second year you develop and build on the knowledge gained in the first year, focusing particularly on the physiotherapy management of patients with long-term and complex conditions. Modules include:

- neuromusculoskeletal 2, 3 and 4
- neurosciences 2
- complex patient care
- research methods

During this year there are two five-week practice placement modules.

**Final Year** - Your Final Year incorporates both academic and practice-based modules. It is a great opportunity for you to reflect on and evaluate your abilities and to prepare for your role as a qualified practitioner when you graduate.

Modules include:

- physiotherapy practice in health and social care
- enhancing health and social care through interprofessional education
- advancing practice
- applied research

You will carry out three five-week practice placement modules in the final year.

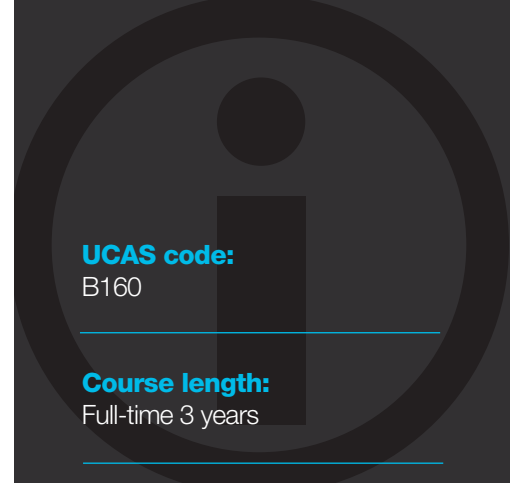
### Practice placement

Throughout your studies practice placements will be interspersed giving you the all important valuable experience that you will need when you graduate. The placements will give you the opportunity to link the theoretical knowledge you gain via the lectures and seminars with the practical experiences.

Approximately one third of your time is spent on practice placements carried out in hospitals and other healthcare service provider units. These placements will give you the opportunity to link the theoretical knowledge and practical skills learnt in the University setting, to the real life practice situation. During practice placements you will be given support, supervision and education from highly qualified clinicians while maintaining links to tutors back at the University.

### Career opportunities

When you graduate from this course you will have the opportunity to enjoy a range of professional career opportunities both within the NHS and the private sector nationally.



#### UCAS code:

B160

#### Course length:

Full-time 3 years

#### Entry requirements:

ABB to include two life science GCE A2 subjects at a minimum of A and B each plus a B from other GCE A2 studies (excluding General Studies and Critical Thinking) plus normally 6 GCSEs grade A-C, including maths, English language and preferably science at B grade.

The selection process includes an interview, enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check and health assessment

#### Course fees:

For UK/EU full-time undergraduate student, the NHS will pay the tuition fees for this course. UK students may be entitled to a means tested NHS bursary.

Visit [www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk](http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk) for more details

#### Professional accreditation:

On graduation, you will be eligible to apply for registration with the Health and Care Professions Council as a Physiotherapist, and for membership of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy

#### How to apply:

Applications are through UCAS [go.herts.ac.uk/apply](http://go.herts.ac.uk/apply)

#### Website address:

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