



University College Dublin
College of Health Sciences



Why UCD?

- Top 2% World University
- Ireland's largest and most international university
- Emphasis on Research and Innovation
- Safe, modern campus in Dublin, capital city of Ireland
- Extensive accommodation options with 24 hour security
- 1 hr flight from London

MSc Physiotherapy [pre-registration]

Why is this course for me?

This new two-year full time MSc. Physiotherapy (Pre-registration) programme, the first of its kind in the Republic of Ireland, provides graduates with the opportunity to change their career path to gain the knowledge and skills required to practice Physiotherapy via a dedicated Graduate Entry programme. The programme is preparing for professional accreditation in June 2012, so that upon completion, students will be eligible to apply for membership of the Irish Society of Chartered Physiotherapists, a member organisation of the World Confederation for Physical Therapy.

UCD Physiotherapy

Physiotherapy at UCD is located in the multidisciplinary School of Public Health, Physiotherapy and Population Science. Our philosophy is to foster excellence in all disciplines and the focus is on student-centred learning in an environment where research and scholarship stimulate high achievement. We are the largest providers of undergraduate and postgraduate Physiotherapy education in Ireland and our graduates are contributing to the Physiotherapy profession world-wide. Our high quality programmes are internationally recognised; for example the MSc Neuromusculoskeletal

Physiotherapy programme for qualified physiotherapists is the only Irish programme approved by the International Federation of Orthopaedic Manipulative Physical Therapists. We have a strong international reputation in Physiotherapy research, many national and international clinical, research and industry partners and collaborations with academic institutions. The academic staff are experts in Physiotherapy education and research providing leadership and innovation which is reflected in our range of teaching and research programmes.

What will I study?

This is a full-time modular degree combining 7 taught physiotherapy modules at the state-of-the-art UCD Health Sciences Centre, with over 1,000 hours of supervised clinical physiotherapy practice at our partner clinical sites, as well as a high quality research project.

Curriculum

- Year 1** Physiotherapy Professional Practice A
Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy
Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy
Neurological Physiotherapy
Clinical Physiotherapy Practice-Ireland
- Year 2** Advanced Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy
Physiotherapy Professional Practice B
Specialist Physiotherapy Practice
Clinical Physiotherapy Practice Ireland/Abroad
Rehabilitation Research

For full programme details see

<http://www.ucd.ie/phpps/physiotherapy/>

To seek further information Please contact us at physio.therapy@ucd.ie



"Coming from just outside Boston, Massachusetts, I visited many schools in New England but I knew right away I wanted to attend UCD because of its academic reputation, wonderful campus and the 'learning by doing' in the PT program. So far my experience has more than lived up to expectations. The PT programme has a great balance of theory, practical, and work experience to become a skilled professional in the PT field and the faculty wants you to succeed. I have got to know Irish people and how they live and I have met people from all over the world. There are so many clubs and activities you could try but unfortunately that wouldn't leave any time for academics. In the end I hope to become the best PT professional that I can be and to leave here with lifelong friendships and fond memories of the campus and the city."

Sean O'Shaughnessy, UCD Physiotherapy Student

Career Opportunities

Graduates from UCD Physiotherapy are working in the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Europe, Africa and South East Asia in a range of areas:

- Hospitals and private practice
- Primary and community care
- Rehabilitation centres and nursing homes
- Non-government agencies (e.g. Goal, Concern)
- Education and research
- Business, sport and leisure industries

Graduates can also apply for a range of disciplinary and general postgraduate taught (Postgrad Cert/Dip, MSc) and research (MSc and PhD) programmes.

Entry Requirements

- Minimum 2.2 first degree by June 2012 [Level 8 Honours] or equivalent overseas qualifications;
- Meet the pre-requisites of the programme on the basis of UCD policy on Accreditation of Prior Learning.

Pre-requisites for programme:

Clinical Human Anatomy 10 ECTS, Applied Human Anatomy 5 ECTS, Human Physiology 10 ECTS, Exercise Science 10 ECTS, Applied Physics 5 ECTS, Chemistry-Biochemistry 5 ECTS, Applied Human Biomechanics 5 ECTS, Behavioural Sciences 10 ECTS, Research Methods and Statistics 5 ECTS.

Applicants will be ranked on the basis of:

Academic Ability (Honours Bachelor's degree [NFQ Level 8] at the minimum level of 2.2). Official transcript of degree and final award are required.

Motivation and Interest (a curriculum vitae and personal statement outlining motivation to study physiotherapy which conforms to the UCD personal statement template available on www.ucd.ie/mature).

Reference (three letters of recommendation; at least one academic and one physiotherapy-related).

Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend for interview. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Closing Date: 30th June 2012

Start Date: September 2012

Duration: 24 months

Fees: Tuition fees will apply for this course. www.ucd.ie/registry/adminservices/fees/index.html

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Graduate Entry to BSc. Physiotherapy Programme

We also have limited places for graduates of any discipline on our four-year BSc Physiotherapy programme. For further details see: <http://myucd.ucd.ie/program.do?programID=101>