

Variation to the Programme Specification

For Academic Year 2020/21

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| <p>Name of programme(s) and award type(s): <i>(such as Single Honours History with International Year)</i></p> | <p>MSc Neurological Rehabilitation MSc Neuromusculoskeletal Healthcare MSc Health Sciences MSc Pain Science & Management MSc Advanced Physiotherapy MSc Advanced Physiotherapy (Cardio-respiratory) MSc Advanced Physiotherapy (Neurology) PG Cert Applied Clinical Anatomy</p> |
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Dear students,

As part of our commitment to continually work to improve our programmes, and in light of our plans to start next academic year with a hybrid delivery model due to the impact of Covid-19, we are confirming in this document the changes to your programme in the Academic Year 2020/21. More general information about what studying at the University will be like in 2020/21 can be found here:

<https://www.keele.ac.uk/coronavirus/operations/>

Overview of changes to your programme

All programmes continue to be offered as either part-time or modular routes, apart from the postgraduate certificate in Applied Clinical Anatomy – which also retains a full-time option (9 months duration).

It is envisaged that all modules that make up the suite of postgraduate taught programmes within the School of Allied Health Professions will be offered virtually except for six modules which contain necessary elements of clinical skills development.

The programmes which contain core clinical skills modules that require in situ teaching are: MSc Advanced Physiotherapy (Neurology) – 1 compulsory module: Assistive Technologies In Neuromuscular Rehabilitation (contains approximately 2 days of in situ teaching – 50% of the module contact time); MSc Pain Science & Management – 1 compulsory module: Psychosocial Aspects Of Pain (contains 1/2day of in situ learning - approximately 17% of contact time); and PG Certificate Applied Clinical Anatomy - 1 compulsory module: Applied Clinical Anatomy 2 (with 9 days dedicated to a student led project completion within the anatomy suite – approximately 70% of the available contact time). While the remainder of the programme compulsory modules will be available online, you are free to choose from a range of modules according to your programme aims, which may be entirely online or offer a hybrid teaching solution.

The remaining three clinical skills modules are option modules that students may select according to their own learning needs and preferences: Principles and Practice of Soft and Joint Tissue Injection (contains 1 day of in situ learning (25%)), Dynamic Ultrasound Imaging (contains 2 days of in situ learning (50%)) and the Essentials Of Manual Therapy (contains 8 days of in situ learning (80%)). While these modules are typically very popular, you are free to choose whether you want to attend these modules during the current situation.

Every effort is being made to ensure the safety of all. The clinical skills modules will be subject to timetable modification creating specific opportunities to complete skills teaching and practice using socially distanced methods to minimise risk. Personal protective equipment will be made available alongside arrangements for handwashing on entry and safe passage through our buildings. All arrangements have been subject to an appropriate COVID19 risk assessment and adherence to an agreed set of procedures. Staff and students will undertake personal risk assessments to help inform their choice.

Specific planned changes

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| <p>How the programme will be taught <i>(include any significant changes to the balance between on campus and digital delivery and what students can expect)</i></p> | <p>Depending on the specific programme selected and the compulsory modules required, all teaching will be virtual apart from the module content designated for in situ delivery.</p> <p>As all programmes are offered on a part time or modular basis, this offers sufficient flexibility in module selection so as not to impede the student's progress if they are keen to progress and gain credits. The timetables for modules with an in-situ component will be adapted to offer consolidated in situ teaching. These hybrid modules may need to have student numbers capped to ensure social distancing, depending on accommodation for teaching.</p> |
| <p>Changes to placements, field courses or other practical activities <i>(where applicable)</i></p> | <p>The only module that is taught in the clinical setting is PTY-40029, MUSCULOSKELETAL MANAGEMENT AT THE INTERFACE in semester2. This module remains under review as musculoskeletal clinical practice has been adapted in the current climate so may or may not be viable depending on COVID restriction to musculoskeletal clinic availability.</p> |
| <p>Learning resources and any potential additional costs <i>(such as equipment requirements)</i></p> | <p>IT equipment to facilitate engagement with online activity Reliable internet access</p> <p>Given an increasing level of online teaching and assessments for this programme, it would be preferable if students had access to computer equipment with a webcam and microphone. It may also be preferable for students to have adequate Wi-Fi connectivity and associated internet speeds. Students who need support in accessing appropriate IT equipment may be eligible to apply for support from the University's hardship fund.</p> |
| <p>How the programme will be assessed <i>(a general summary of changes to assessment methods)</i></p> | <p>Modules have been adapted to online assessment during semester 2 and have been successfully operationalised in this format. The PGT team plan to retain the option of alternative online assessments in future to enhance sustainability.</p> |
| <p>How students are supported <i>(any alternative arrangements such as communication methods, support networks etc.)</i></p> | <p>Propose online 1 to 1 tutorial activity, and small group work to facilitate engagement and promote communication between students and tutors online. Propose online communities per module initially.</p> |

Updated module lists for 2020/21

PG Cert Applied Clinical Anatomy

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------|----------|--------------------------|
| APPLIED CLINICAL ANATOMY 1 | PTY-40033 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
| APPLIED CLINICAL ANATOMY 2 | PTY-40030 | 30 | SEM 2 | hybrid |

| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
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| 1 option module from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | 15 | SEM 1 | |

MSc Advanced Physiotherapy

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
|---|-------------|----------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| APPLIED CLINICAL ANATOMY 1 | PTY-40033 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
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| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | Separate arrangement | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT | PTY-40046 | 15 | SEM 2 | online |
| EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1-2 | online unchanged |
| 4 option modules from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | Up to 75 | | |

MSc Advanced Physiotherapy (Cardiorespiratory)

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
|---|-------------|----------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOR HEALTH AND WELL BEING | PTY-40053 | 15 | SEM 2 | online |
| ACUTE RESPIRATORY DETERIORATION AND CRITICAL CARE | PTY-40056 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
| ADVANCED MANAGEMENT OF THE RESPIRATORY COMPLICATIONS OF NEUROMUSCULAR DISORDERS | PTY-40057 | 15 | SEM 2 | online |
| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | Separate arrangement | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT | PTY-40046 | 15 | SEM 2 | online |
| EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1-2 | online unchanged |
| 3 option modules from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | Up to 45 | | |

MSc Advanced Physiotherapy (Neurology)

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
|--|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| APPLIED CLINICAL ANATOMY 1 | PTY-40033 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
| CONCEPTS OF NEUROLOGICAL REHABILITATION | PTY-40046 | 15 | SEM 1 | Online (moved from Sem 2) |
| PHYSIOLOGY OF THE NEUROMUSCULOSKELETAL TISSUE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
| BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOR HEALTH AND WELL BEING | PTY-40053 | 15 | SEM 2 | online |
| ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IN NEUROMUSCULAR REHABILITATION | PTY-40035 | 15 | SEM 2 | hybrid (moved from Sem 1) |
| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | As required | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT | PTY-40046 | 15 | SEM 2 | Online |
| EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1-2 | online unchanged |
| 1 option module from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | 15 | | |

MSc Health Sciences

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
|---|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | Separate arrangement | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| 7 option modules from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | Up to 105 | | |

MSc Neurological Rehabilitation

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
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| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IN NEUROMUSCULAR REHABILITATION | PTY-40035 | 15 | SEM 2 | hybrid (moved from Sem 1) |
| CONCEPTS OF NEUROLOGICAL REHABILITATION | PTY-40025 | 15 | SEM 1 | Online (moved from Sem 2) |
| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | As required | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT | PTY-40046 | 15 | SEM 2 | Online |
| EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1-2 | Online |

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| 4 option modules from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | Up to 60 | | |
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MSc Pain Science & Management

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
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| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| PSYCHOSOCIAL ASPECTS OF PAIN | PTY-40035 | 15 | SEM 1 | hybrid |
| ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT | PTY-40046 | 15 | SEM 2 | Online |
| EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1-2 | Online |
| PHYSIOLOGY AND PHARMACOLOGY OF PAIN | PTY-40010 | 15 | SEM 2 | online |
| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | As required | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| 3 option modules from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | Up to 45 | | |

MSc Neuromusculoskeletal Healthcare

| Compulsory modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
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| RESEARCH METHODS IN HEALTH | HLT-40001 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| APPLIED CLINICAL ANATOMY | PTY-40033 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
| PHYSIOLOGY OF THE NEUROMUSCULOSKELETAL TISSUE | PTY-40005 | 15 | SEM 1 | online |
| EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE | PTY-40002 | 15 | SEM 1-2 | online – unchanged |
| DISSERTATION | PTY-40044 | 60 | As required | online |
| Optional modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | |
| 4 option modules from Faculty listing – to align with award ILOs, please select in discussion with programme director | | Up to 60 | | |

Other Option Modules

| Option modules | Module Code | Credits | Semester | Added/removed/unchanged? |
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| INDEPENDENT STUDY | PTY-40016 | 15 | SEM 1&2 | online |
| PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF JOINT & SOFT TISSUE INJECTION | PTY-40015 | 15 | Over full AY | hybrid |
| DYNAMIC ULTRASOUND IMAGING | PTY-40034 | 15 | SEM 2 | hybrid |
| ESSENTIALS OF MANUAL THERAPY | PTY-40055 | 15 | SEM 2 | Hybrid - alternate years |

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| MUSCULOSKELETAL MANAGEMENT AT THE INTERFACE | PTY-40029 | 30 | SEM 2 | Hybrid – virtual and teaching in clinical setting This may or may not be viable depending on COVID restriction to musculoskeletal clinic availability |
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