PHTY8305
Advanced Clinical Physiotherapy Placement II
Session 1, Special circumstances, On location at placement 2021
Department of Health Professions

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Notice
As part of Phase 3 of our return to campus plan, most units will now run tutorials, seminars and other small group activities on campus, and most will keep an online version available to those students unable to return or those who choose to continue their studies online.

To check the availability of face-to-face activities for your unit, please go to timetable viewer. To check detailed information on unit assessments visit your unit’s iLearn space or consult your unit convenor.

https://unitguides.mq.edu.au/unit_offerings/137173/unit_guide/print
General Information

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Prerequisites
PHTY817 or PHTY8301

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
This is the fifth five-week full time clinical placement where you will be a member of a healthcare team working with individuals or groups with a variety of health conditions. You will be able to preference the type of setting or area of physiotherapy practice providing you with an opportunity to further explore an area of physiotherapy that is of particular interest and/or provides an opportunity to further consolidate your knowledge, skills and experiences. In this unit you will deliver person-centred health care under supervision. You will build upon your previous clinical experience, along with your advanced knowledge and skills, to deliver evidence-based physiotherapy intervention. You will strengthen your understanding of healthcare systems and the impact of biopsychosocial factors on health and wellbeing, whilst enhancing your skills in the provision of socially and culturally respectful healthcare. You will be expected to demonstrate standards of professionalism, ethical behaviour and safety consistent with expectations of the physiotherapy profession. You will be required to demonstrate the development of the Macquarie DPT Graduate Capabilities: Scientist and Scholar, Clinical Practitioner, Engaged Global Citizen and Professional, and the Physiotherapy practice thresholds in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates

Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

**ULO1:** Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with ethical, legal and professional standards of care when interacting with clients, clinical educators, other health professionals and the host organisation. (Professional/Engaged Global Citizen)

**ULO2:** Use advanced skills to clearly, accurately, sensitively and effectively communicate with clients, carers and other professionals, including verbal and non-verbal forms, to support the development of trust and rapport. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

**ULO3:** Plan and implement an efficient, effective, culturally responsive and client centred
physiotherapy assessment with complex client populations. (Clinical Practitioner/Engaged Global Citizen)

**ULO4:** Plan and implement an appropriate intervention for individuals with complex presentations based on interpretation of assessment findings, using evidence-based practice, and client centred principles to inform decision making. (Clinical Practitioner/Scientist & Scholar)

**ULO5:** Implement safe practices by identifying adverse events and near misses, and by minimising risk associated with physiotherapy practice, including recognition of situations that are outside the scope of expertise and/or competence, and by taking appropriate and timely action (Clinical Practitioner/Engaged Global Citizen)

**ULO6:** Accurately evaluate and communicate your own knowledge and performance including strengths and areas for improvement, using relevant professional benchmarks. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

**General Assessment Information**


To pass this unit, you must demonstrate sufficient evidence of achievement of the learning outcomes. Further details for each assessment task will be available on iLearn, including marking rubrics.

All final grades in the Faculty of Medicine, Health and Human Sciences are determined by the Faculty of Medicine, Health and Human Sciences Assessment Committee, and are approved by the Faculty Board. They are not the sole responsibility of the Unit Convenor. Students will be awarded an Assessment Grade plus a Standardised Numerical Grade (SNG). The SNG is not necessarily a summation of the individual assessment components. The final grade and SNG that are awarded reflect the corresponding grade descriptor in Schedule 1 of the Assessment Policy.

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**Extensions for Assessment Tasks**

Applications for assessment task extensions must be submitted via [www.ask.mq.edu.au](http://www.ask.mq.edu.au).

**Late Submission of Work**

[https://unitguides.mq.edu.au/unit_offerings/137173/unit_guide/print](https://unitguides.mq.edu.au/unit_offerings/137173/unit_guide/print)
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Hurdle Assessment

A hurdle requirement is an activity for which a minimum level of performance or participation is a condition of passing the unit in which it occurs. A student who has obtained a SNG over 50, yet failed the hurdle assessment, fails the unit. Please see Macquarie University's assessment policy for more information about hurdle assessment tasks. Within this unit, the clinical placement logbook is a hurdle task, requiring you to log sufficient evidence of clinical practice as a minimum requirement for passing this assessment task.

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Professional Portfolio (Executive Summary)

Assessment Type: Portfolio
Indicative Time on Task: 20 hours
Due: Week 14
Weighting: 30%
You will collate evidence of meeting the Physiotherapy practice thresholds of Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with ethical, legal and professional standards of care when interacting with clients, clinical educators, other health professionals and the host organisation. (Professional/Engaged Global Citizen)
- Use advanced skills to clearly, accurately, sensitively and effectively communicate with clients, carers and other professionals, including verbal and non-verbal forms, to support the development of trust and rapport. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)
- Plan and implement an efficient, effective, culturally responsive and client centred physiotherapy assessment with complex client populations. (Clinical Practitioner/Engaged Global Citizen)
- Plan and implement an appropriate intervention for individuals with complex presentations based on interpretation of assessment findings, using evidence-based practice, and client centred principles to inform decision making. (Clinical Practitioner/Scientist & Scholar)
- Implement safe practices by identifying adverse events and near misses, and by minimising risk associated with physiotherapy practice, including recognition of situations that are outside the scope of expertise and/or competence, and by taking appropriate and timely action (Clinical Practitioner/Engaged Global Citizen)
- Accurately evaluate and communicate your own knowledge and performance including strengths and areas for improvement, using relevant professional benchmarks. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

End Unit Student Self Assessment

Assessment Type 1: Clinical performance evaluation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 2 hours
Due: Last day of placement
Weighting: 0%

You will assess your own performance and behaviour in the clinical setting at the completion of the unit, using the Assessment of Physiotherapy Practice (APP). Your self assessment will be compared with the Clinical Educators assessment at the completion of the unit.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with
End Unit Assessment

Assessment Type 1: Clinical performance evaluation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 1 hours
Due: Last day of placement
Weighting: 70%

This is a hurdle assessment task (see assessment policy for more information on hurdle assessment tasks)

At the completion of the unit the primary Clinical Educator will assess your performance and behaviour in the clinical setting using the Assessment of Physiotherapy Practice (APP) which will be used to evaluate achievement of unit learning outcomes.

On successful completion you will be able to:

• Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with ethical, legal and professional standards of care when interacting with clients, clinical educators, other health professionals and the host organisation. (Professional/Engaged Global Citizen)
• Use advanced skills to clearly, accurately, sensitively and effectively communicate with clients, carers and other professionals, including verbal and non-verbal forms, to support the development of trust and rapport. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

• Plan and implement an efficient, effective, culturally responsive and client centred physiotherapy assessment with complex client populations. (Clinical Practitioner/Engaged Global Citizen)

• Plan and implement an appropriate intervention for individuals with complex presentations based on interpretation of assessment findings, using evidence-based practice, and client centred principles to inform decision making. (Clinical Practitioner/Scientist & Scholar)

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Mid Unit Assessment

Assessment Type 1: Clinical performance evaluation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 1 hours
Due: Week 3 of placement
Weighting: 0%

The primary Clinical Educator will provide feedback on your performance and behaviour in the clinical setting at the midpoint of the unit, using a national standardised tool, the Assessment of Physiotherapy Practice (APP).

On successful completion you will be able to:

• Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with ethical, legal and professional standards of care when interacting with clients, clinical educators, other health professionals and the host organisation. (Professional/Engaged Global Citizen)

• Use advanced skills to clearly, accurately, sensitively and effectively communicate with clients, carers and other professionals, including verbal and non-verbal forms, to support the development of trust and rapport. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

• Plan and implement an efficient, effective, culturally responsive and client centred physiotherapy assessment with complex client populations. (Clinical Practitioner/Engaged Global Citizen)

• Plan and implement an appropriate intervention for individuals with complex presentations based on interpretation of assessment findings, using evidence-based
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Mid Unit Student Self Assessment

Assessment Type 1: Clinical performance evaluation
Indicative Time on Task 2: 2 hours
Due: Week 3 of placement
Weighting: 0%

You will assess your own performance and behaviour in the clinical setting at the midpoint of the unit, using the Assessment of Physiotherapy Practice (APP). Your self assessment will be compared with the Clinical Educators assessment at the midpoint of the placement.

On successful completion you will be able to:

• Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with ethical, legal and professional standards of care when interacting with clients, clinical educators, other health professionals and the host organisation. (Professional/Engaged Global Citizen)

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  (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

### Clinical Placement Logbook

**Assessment Type**: Log book

**Indicative Time on Task**: 4 hours

**Due**: 9am Monday after placement

**Weighting**: 0%

*This is a hurdle assessment task (see assessment policy for more information on hurdle assessment tasks)*

You will submit a Clinical Placement Logbook along with a Logbook Summary at the completion of this clinical placement.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate professional behaviour and appropriate communication in accordance with ethical, legal and professional standards of care when interacting with clients, clinical educators, other health professionals and the host organisation. (Professional/Engaged Global Citizen)

- Use advanced skills to clearly, accurately, sensitively and effectively communicate with clients, carers and other professionals, including verbal and non-verbal forms, to support the development of trust and rapport. (Professional/Clinical Practitioner)

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1 If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- the Learning Skills Unit for academic skills support.

2 Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

**Delivery and Resources**

**Unit Organisation**

This is a ten credit point unit that runs as a 25-day clinical placement (either as a 5 week block or part time across the semester). Further information is available via the DPTClinical Doctor of Physiotherapy iLearn for your cohort.  

http://ilearn.mq.edu.au

**Assumed knowledge**

This unit builds on your learning in the previous two semesters and assumes you have a sound basic knowledge in all core areas of physiotherapy including pre-requisite knowledge areas such as musculoskeletal anatomy.

**Teaching and Learning Strategy**

In this unit students spend 25 days at clinical sites, including hospitals and private practices, in order to integrate their theoretical knowledge in clinical settings of specialised areas of physiotherapy such as hands, paediatrics, private practice, sports, spinal cord injury rehabilitation.

**Textbooks and Readings**

The texts and other resources used during the previous two semesters will be useful when completing this unit. In addition, resources specific to clinical education and to specific areas of clinical physiotherapy are available on the Physiotherapy Clinical Education iLearn site in the Resources section.

**Technology and Equipment**

Equipment has been purchased with the use of Health Workforce Australia establishment funding and is available for use at each clinical site. This will include iPads, laptops and other patient/education-related equipment such as textbooks and anatomical models.

**Attendance**

Individual clinic descriptors and clinical calendars should be used to confirm dates and times of attendance for your clinical placement.

This information is available via the DPTClinical Doctor of Physiotherapy iLearn for your cohort.  

http://ilearn.mq.edu.au
Transport and costs

Students will need to arrange their own transport to clinical placements and will be responsible for covering all costs associated with attending placements such as vaccinations, parking, public transport and accommodation (where necessary).

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Fitness to Practice Procedure
- Grade Appeal Policy
- Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
- Special Consideration Policy (Note: The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the Student Policy Gateway (https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit Policy Central (https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/student-conduct

Results

Results published on platform other than eStudent, (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in eStudent. For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit http://students.mq.edu.au/support/
Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- Getting help with your assignment
- Workshops
- StudyWise
- Academic Integrity Module

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- Subject and Research Guides
- Ask a Librarian

Student Enquiry Service

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Equity Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the Disability Service who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Changes from Previous Offering

This is the first special circumstances offering of this unit. However the unit is conducted in the same format as the standard weekday offering of this unit. Previous offerings of this unit have been under the code PHTY903.