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# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Hons) through Open Distance Learning (ODL) in MAHSA University is a 4-year undergraduate degree programme that prepares students for a career in healthcare. Physiotherapy helps improve movement and functional ability, maximizing of life through promotion, prevention and rehabilitation of patients with neurological, cardiorespiratory and musculoskeletal disorders.

Students will immerse themselves in the study of applied and functional anatomy; physiology; pathology; exercise therapy; research methodology, clinical reasoning and evidence based clinical practice. They will acquire skills in manual therapy, therapeutic exercise prescription and electrotherapy which are the essential components of physiotherapy management.

The teaching methods include lecture and tutorial sessions which will be through the

e-learning platform. Self-instructional materials will be uploaded to the online forum prior to the lecture or tutorial sessions. Integrative teaching approaches through seminars and case scenario based discussion will be held through online platform. Practical sessions will be conducted through face-to-face teaching where hands-on skills can be demonstrated. For diploma graduates, a maximum of 30% credit transfer is allowed.

When students have completed this programme, they will be qualified to

- rehabilitate patients with reduced mobility due to muscular, neurological, cardiovascular or respiratory disorders;
- assess the physical dysfunction, movement disorders and pain
- formulate an appropriate treatment plans according to the patients' problems;

- reduce pain and discomfort which help to improve patients functional capacity and general wellbeing;
- prescribe exercises and aids
- promote health and wellness

This Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Hons) programme in MAHSA University is the first Physiotherapy programme in Malaysia with an innovative teaching and learning approach through the open distance learning delivery mode.

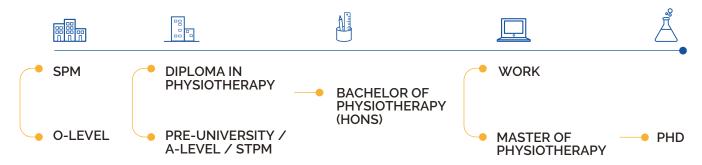
### AIMS

The programme aims to develop critical thinking physiotherapists who possess scientific knowledge, skills and appropriate professional attitudes with leadership quality for professional and societal advancement within the national vision.

## **OBJECTIVES**

The physiotherapy graduates will be able to integrate knowledge and skills competently; develop critical thinking and problem solving skills for making effective clinical decisions; demonstrating professionalism and good communication skills.

## PROGRESSION PATHWAY



# WHY STUDY AT MAHSA



Community Physiotherapy Clinic in JUC for extensive practical exposure



Spacious and state of the art Gait Lab, Lecture Theatres, Electrotherapy Rooms & Gymnasiums



Bedside teaching provided in a wide range of Government and Private Hospitals



Teaching by highly qualified and experienced lecturers, both local and expatriates

## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

#### Year 1

Functional & Applied Anatomy of Musculoskeletal System I Functional & Applied Anatomy of Musculoskeletal System II Communication

Professional Development

Exercise Therapy & Handling Skills

Electrotherapy

Applied Anatomy and Physiology of Cardiorespiratory System English for Academic Purposes English for Academic Writing

Clinical Exposure

U1 - TITAS / U1 - Malaysian Studies 3

U1 - Hubungan Etnik / U1 - Bahasa Komunikasi 2

#### Year 2

Manual Skills in Physiotherapy

Applied Anatomy and Physiology in Neurology

Physiotherapy Practice in Musculoskeletal I

Physiotherapy Practice in Musculoskeletal II

Physiotherapy Practice in Cardiorespiratory Conditions

Physiotherapy Practice in Neurology I

Research Methods I

U2 - Entrepreneurship

U3 - Youth Development

Clinical Practice I

#### Year 3

Physiotherapy Practice in Musculoskeletal III

Physiotherapy Practice in Neurology II

Physiotherapy Practice in Women's Health

Research Methods II

Clinical Reasoning & Evidence Based Practice

Physiotherapy Practice in Paediatrics

Physiotherapy Practice in Geriatrics

U4 - Community Work

Clinical Practice II

# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

i) Obtained MUET Band 3 or IELTS (5.5)/TOEFL (550)

AND

Pass Matriculation/Pre-University/STPM programme or equivalent qualification with minimum GPA 2.33 in TWO of the following subjects:

Biology • Physics/Mathematics • Chemistry

A-Level programme or equivalent qualification with minimum Grade D in TWO of the following subjects:

Biology • Physics/Mathematics • Chemistry

OF

Recognised Diploma with minimum CGPA of 2.75 in related field;

OF

Recognised Diploma with CGPA less than 2.75 in related field and a minimum of 3 years (36 months) working experience in the related field.

English proficiency for foreign student Candidate should obtain IELTS (5.5)/TOEFL (550) paper-based or equivalent.

#### Year 4

Physiotherapy Practice in Sports

Physiotherapy Practice in Occupational Health

Clinical Practice III

Elective PlacementResearch Project

#### TEACHING HOSPITALS

Hospital Kuala Lumpur

Hospital Rehabilitasi Cheras

Hospital Klang

Hospital Melaka

Hospital Kuantan

Hospital Kuala Terengganu

Hospital Kajang

Hospital Selayang

Hospital Ampang

Hospital Teluk Intan

Hospital Kuala Kubu Bharu

Hospital Tanjung Karang

Hospital Sabak Bernam

Hospital Jengka

Hospital Kuala Lipis

Hospital Kuala Pilah

also Private Hospitals, Clinics, Geriatric Homes

and Paediatric Speciality Centres

#### CAREER PROSPECTS

Public/Private Hospitals

Spine & Joint Centers

Sports Physiotherapy Clinics

Community & Rehabilitation Centers

Spastic Children Homes

Nursing Homes, Disabled & Elderly Homes

Fitness and Wellness Centers

Sales Personnel in Equipment Companies

# **ADVANTAGES**

#### **QUALITY**

The Bachelor Physiotherapy (Hons) ODL mode is designed in consultation with a panel of local and international experts with emphasis on graduate readiness for the practice. The curriculum combines theory and practical sessions. The given opportunities to apply the theoretical knowledge to the clinical situation in physiotherapy centres. centres, rehabilitation hospitals, elderly home, sport clubs.

#### **CLINICAL EXPOSURE**

Students of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Hons) ODL

mode gain experience in various clinical facilities covering all disciplines.

#### AFFORDABLE

Tuition fees for the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Hons) ODL mode is affordable to ensure opportunity given to those who want to avail quality education.

#### RECOGNITION

The Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Hons) ODL mode is provisionally accredited by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency and Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia















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