Our Physiotherapy BSc offers you an integrated approach to learning physiotherapy, research and clinical practice. It has a strong focus on professional and lifelong learning skills and physiotherapy practice, as well as on relevant scientific disciplines. Completion of the course confers eligibility to apply for state registration as a physiotherapist with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) and full membership of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy.

Key benefits

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- ‘Highly commended’ in the last NHS Quality Assurance Agency major review.

Course details

Physiotherapy is the largest allied health profession. Physiotherapists work with patients and their families/carers to address problems experienced as a result of illness, injury and disability. They use physical means to promote health, optimal rehabilitation and, where possible, recovery. Physiotherapy is a broad field, making for an exciting and varied career. Physiotherapists practice as autonomous professionals when acting as the first point of contact for clients/patients, or as part of a health or social care team.

Our course will give you the professional skills and knowledge necessary for contemporary practice. The Department of Physiotherapy carries out significant research, and we emphasise the role of research in physiotherapy and the importance of evidence-based practice throughout the course. Through this you will gain experience of a wide range of research methods.

In your first year, you will focus on client-centred, responsive services, and develop your decision making, communication and scientific skills. In your second year we will address effective and needs-related service, and you will further develop your knowledge of professional skills and the science behind rehabilitation. In your third year, you will think about the development of service provision for today’s NHS, social care, public health and the rights and needs of various client groups. You will extend your understanding of psychosocial, ethical and legal issues surrounding practice in student directed activities. You will develop your practical, reflective, evaluative and interpersonal skills at an advanced level and integrate theory with practice even further. You will explore the challenge of working with clients with complex problems in depth, and you will also evaluate your own performance and the outcome of treatment.

UCAS code: B160
2018 entry
Duration: three years
Study mode: full-time

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In order to gain a licence to practice, you will have to complete at least 1,000 clinical hours. At the end of each of your first two years, and during your third year, you will apply what you have learned on a series of clinical placements in a variety of environments, ranging from large teaching hospitals to small special schools within the community. The majority of placements are in Greater London, but you may be placed throughout south-east England.

We have designed this course to match the needs of the modern ever-changing health sector. We work closely with a network of clinical colleagues, primarily in the NHS, and these partnerships ensure that the course’s delivery and development are practice-led.

**Teaching**
Clinicians from local hospitals will provide some of the in-university clinical teaching. All of our teaching is informed by research, and our teaching staff generally have at least a PhD qualification. Sometimes postgraduate research students studying towards a PhD in a relevant discipline will help with teaching, for example by acting as demonstrators in practical classes or leading revision tutorial sessions.

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Typically, one credit equates to 10 hours of work.

**Assessment**
We will assess you through a combination of exams, coursework and practicals.

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King’s College London reviews the modules offered on a regular basis to provide up-to-date, innovative and relevant programmes of study. Therefore, modules offered may change. We suggest you keep an eye on the course finder on our website for updates.

**Location**
This course is primarily taught at the King’s College London Guy’s Campus with clinical placements in London and south east England.

**Career prospects**
When you successfully complete our BSc course, you will be able to apply for state registration to practise as a physiotherapist with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC). This enables you to practise in a wide variety of environments and is mandatory for employment within the NHS. You will also be eligible for full membership of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy.

Our recent graduates have found employment as:
- senior physiotherapists
- investment consultants
- promotional managers.

Others have continued to further study in:
- Sports Medicine & Health Science MSc
- Orthopaedics
- Dentistry.
**Fees and funding**

**Full-time tuition fees – UK**
The UK tuition fees for the 2018–19 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

**Full-time tuition fees – EU**
Current regulations allow some students to pay UK tuition fees on the basis of their EU citizenship or residency. Until these eligibility criteria are changed, the EU tuition fee will remain the same as the UK tuition fee.

The UK tuition fees for the 2018–19 academic year are available on the course web page.

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**Full-time tuition fees – International**
The International tuition fees for the 2018–19 academic year are available on the course web page.

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**Deposit**
All International applicants to undergraduate courses are required to pay a deposit of £2,000 against their first year’s tuition fee. This deposit is payable when you firmly accept an unconditional offer to study with us and will be offset against your tuition fees when you join King’s.

For further information, please visit the fees and funding section of our website: www.kcl.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/fees-and-funding/index.aspx

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**Additional costs**

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<td>Mandatory clinical skills training</td>
<td>Uniform, two sets. Estimated cost: £80.</td>
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<td>Course-related conferences</td>
<td>Year 1: Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR): £29.50</td>
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<td>Disclosure and Barring certificates/clearance</td>
<td>Students have to pay for an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service clearance check. This is payable on induction and an annual update is available. Estimated cost: £50.</td>
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<td>Equipment</td>
<td>For clinical placement, you will need to purchase a stethoscope, any make/model and can be purchased from any source.</td>
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<td>Health checks/immunisations/vaccinations</td>
<td>Students will be required to arrange and pay for the necessary vaccinations prior to commencing clinical placements. Multiple vaccinations may be required. Indicative cost: £30 per vaccination.</td>
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<td>Travel and accommodation for clinical placement</td>
<td>Students will need to pay for travel and accommodation for clinical placements over the duration of the course. A Learning Support Fund is available to eligible students to help cover these costs. More information on this Fund can be found at: <a href="http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nhs-bursary-reform/nhs-bursary-reform">www.gov.uk/government/publications/nhs-bursary-reform/nhs-bursary-reform</a></td>
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<td>Membership to the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy</td>
<td>This membership is optional but students are encouraged to join. The cost is approximately £32 per year.</td>
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In addition to the costs above, you can also expect to pay for:

- books if you choose to buy your own copies
- clothing for optional course related events and competitions
- library fees and fines
- personal photocopies
- society membership fees
- stationery
- graduation costs
- travel costs around London and between campuses.

**Disclaimer**
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