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BACHELOR OF PHYSIOTHERAPY (HONOURS)
BPhysio(Hons)

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SCHOOL OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

1. These Program Regulations apply to all students who are enrolled in the Bachelor of Physiotherapy and the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) Awards on the Fremantle Campus.
2. The Dean is the responsible Executive of these Program Regulations.
3. The contact officer for this document is the Senior Administrative Officer, School of Physiotherapy, Fremantle Campus.

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1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Introduction

These Program Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Bachelor of Physiotherapy or Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) Awards at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

These Regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's General Regulations and the School of Physiotherapy Regulations.

1.2 Interpretation

The terms included in these Regulations have the meanings as defined in the University's General Regulations and the School of Physiotherapy Regulations.

1.3 Amendments made to Program Regulations

Unless otherwise specified, when amendments are made to the structure, content or academic requirements of these Awards, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

These Awards are available on the Fremantle Campus only.

1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Bachelor of Physiotherapy is a Level 7 AQF qualification and the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) is a Level 8 AQF qualification.

2 ENTRY CRITERIA

2.1 General Criteria

The standard entry requirements for admission are detailed in the University's General Regulations and the School of Physiotherapy Regulations.

2.2 Additional Entry Requirements / Pre-Requisites

Additional requirements for entry into these Awards include:

School leavers are recommended to be studying ATAR course or equivalent in English and Mathematics and at least one ATAR course in the sciences that include physics, chemistry, human biology and/or physical education studies.

For non-school leavers, previous university studies are required for entry to these Awards.

The STAT is not applicable for entry to these Awards.

2.3 External Accreditation Requirements

External accreditation requirements are applicable to these Awards.

These Awards are accredited by the Australian Physiotherapy Council.

3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Structure

- (a) For the structure of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy, refer to Appendices A and B. Note the transitional program planner for 2018. These two individual planners apply to all students in each year and are specific to the years 2017 and 2018 (Appendices A and B respectively).
- (b) For the structure of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours), refer to Appendices C and D. Note the transitional program planner for 2018. These two individual planners apply to all students in each year and are specific to the years 2017 and 2018 (Appendices C and D respectively).

3.1.1 Compulsory Courses

All courses within these Awards are compulsory.

3.1.2 Elective Courses

There are no Electives within these Awards.

3.1.3 Majors and Double Majors

There are no Majors or Double Majors available in these Awards.

3.1.4 Minors

There are no Minors available in this Award.

3.1.5 Specialisations

There are no Specialisations permitted in these Awards.

3.1.6 Special Interest Courses

There are no Special Interest Units available in these Awards.

3.2 Practicum or Internship requirements

- (a) Students are to complete a variety of formal practicum experiences within the clinical setting as a part of this Award commencing in Year 2 of the Awards. Clinical Placements operate in accordance with the Health and Universities Agreement for Allied Health Student Clinical Placements (2005) and Schedules to that agreement or its substitute in place at the time. The following courses are specific to clinical placement experiences:

PHTY2008	Clinical Education I
PHTY3005	Clinical Education II and Practitioner Development
PHTY4000	Clinical Education III
PHTY4001	Clinical Education IV
PHTY4002	Clinical Education V
PHTY4003	Clinical Education VI

3.3 Approved course substitutions

There are no approved course substitutions permitted in this Award.

3.4 Alternative Pathways

An Alternative Pathway is not available for these Awards.

3.5 Volume of Learning

3.5.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy is four (4) years of equivalent full-time study. The standard duration of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) is four (4) years of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is not able to enrol in these Awards on a part-time basis.

3.5.2 Accelerated Duration

An accelerated mode is not available for these Awards.

3.5.3 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete these Awards is 6 years (including any periods of approved leave of absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled into the Bachelor of Physiotherapy Award by the University.

3.6 Graduation

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of the Award, in which they are enrolled, as detailed in these Program Regulations and the General Regulations, the University may grant the student graduation status.

3.7 Exit Awards

A student who has completed a minimum of 375 units of credit (excluding core curriculum courses) from these Awards satisfies the requirements for entry into the Bachelor of Rehabilitation Science. Enrolment in and completion of the Bachelor Rehabilitation Science is governed by the program regulations for that Award.

Further information defining graduation requirements for the Bachelor Rehabilitation Science can be found at <http://www.nd.edu.au/nav-current-students/regulations>.

3.8 Honours

The Bachelor of Physiotherapy Award is offered with Honours. Specific admission requirements for the Honours Award are detailed below and are to be read in conjunction with the Policy: The Award of a Degree with Honours.

3.8.1 Applicability of Honours program

Honours is available as an embedded Award within the Bachelor of Physiotherapy.

3.8.2 Admission to the Honours program

- (a) Admission to the Honours program is by invitation (in accordance with School procedures) and is subject to approval by the Dean.
- (b) Enrolment in the Honours program on a part-time basis is not permitted.
- (c) Not more than 10% of a cohort will normally enrol in the Honours program.

3.8.3 Selection Criteria

- (a) The first two and a half years of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) are the same as the Bachelor of Physiotherapy. A student is considered for the Honours program during Semester 1 of Year 3.
- (b) A student who demonstrates an excellent level of performance during the first two years of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy will be considered for a place in the Honours program.
- (c) An excellent level of performance is considered to be a GPA of 3 and above
- (d) For entry to the Honours program a student needs to maintain a Distinction average in Semester 1 of Year 3.
- (e) A student who is accepted into the Honours program enrolls in the Honours program in Semester 2 of Year 3 of the program.

- (f) In discussion with members of staff, a suitably qualified student will submit a topic for consideration as an Honours research program. A student needs to arrange for a supervisor for the topic and gain the approval of the Dean for this research.
- (g) Final acceptance into the Honours program is at the discretion of the Dean, based on availability of a suitable supervision arrangement and availability of resources.

3.8.4 Deferral of Participation in the Honours Program

An option to defer a place in the Honours Program is not available for the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) Award.

3.8.5 Compulsory Honours courses

- (a) A student enrolled in the Honours program is required to complete courses in accordance with the Award structures during the program transitional year of 2018 and beyond (Appendices C and D)..
- (b) In the 4th year of the award, a student in the Honours program completes three (3) of the following clinical education courses with the selection of the three courses determined in consultation with the supervisor(s) and the Clinical Education Coordinator

PHTY4000	Clinical Education III
PHTY4001	Clinical Education IV
PHTY4002	Clinical Education V
PHTY4003	Clinical Education VI

3.8.6 Progress within Honours

A student who fails to make progress within the Honours program may be withdrawn from Honours and re-enrolled in the Bachelor of Physiotherapy Award.

- (a) Failure to make progress may result from:
 - i. a student failing a course in semester 2 of year 3; or
 - ii. a student not maintaining a Distinction average; or
 - iii. a student not meeting milestones for the conduct of the research project; or
 - iv. a student failing within the clinical placement program in year 4 of the Award.
- (b) If a student withdraws or is withdrawn from the Honours program, the student will be required to complete the requirements of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy.
- (c) Notwithstanding 3.9.6 (a), the Dean may approve continuation of progress within the Honours program.

3.8.7 Awarding Honours

Honours within this Award is awarded in accordance with the General Regulations and is awarded as a Graded Honours.

END OF REGULATIONS



APPENDIX A: Program planner for all year groups in 2017

YEAR ONE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credits	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credits
PHTY101	Anatomy & Physiology of the Neuromusculoskeletal System A	65	PHTY102	Anatomy & Physiology of the Neuromusculoskeletal System B	55
PHTY111	Foundations of Physiotherapy Practice	25	BMS103	Anatomy & Physiology of Body Systems	25
PS102	Foundations of Human Behaviour	25	PHTY122	Movement Sciences for Physiotherapy	30
SS125	Molecular and Cell Biology	25	PHTY123	Soft Tissue Injury Management	25
			PH100	Introduction to Philosophy	25
Course of credit Total for Y1 S1		140	Course of credit Total for Y1 S2		160
					Total Units of credit Year One
					300

YEAR TWO					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credits	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credits
PHTY204	Research Methods for Physiotherapists	25	PHTY202	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences I	35
PHTY211	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Lower Limb)	40	PHTY221	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Upper Limb)	35
PHTY212	Clinical Orthopaedics	30	PHTY223	Physiotherapy in Gerontology & Gender Health	35
PHTY213	Medical Sciences	30	PHTY224	Clinical Education I	40
PHTY214	Applied Neuroscience	30			
Course of credit Total for Y2 S1		155	Course of credit Total for Y2 S2		145
					Total Units of credit Year Two
					300

YEAR THREE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY311	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal I)	35	PHTY301	Evidence Based Physiotherapy and Research Processes	25
PHTY314	Rehabilitation for the Neurosciences	40	PHTY313	Physiotherapy in Paediatrics	25
PHTY325	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences II	40	PHTY321	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal II)	35
ET100	Ethics	25	PHTY322	Physiotherapy in Healthcare and Management Systems	10
TH101	Introduction to Theology	25	PHTY326	Clinical Education II	40
Course of credit Total for Y3 S1		165	Course of credit Total for Y3 S2		135
					Total Units of credit Year Three
					300

YEAR FOUR					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY412	Clinical Education III	70	PHTY432	Clinical Education V	70
PHTY422	Clinical Education IV	70	PHTY442	Clinical Education VI	70
PHTY452	Complex Cases & Professional Issues	10	PHTY452	Complex Cases & Professional Issues	10
Course of credit Total for Y4 S1		150	Course of credit Total for Y4 S2		150
					Total Units of credit Year Four
					300
					TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:
					1200

The University reserves the right to change or alter the order of the courses offered for each semester. Contact the School of Physiotherapy for details.

APPENDIX B: Program planner for all year groups in 2018

YEAR ONE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY1000	Anatomy of the Neuromusculoskeletal System A	30	PHTY1002	Anatomy of the Neuromusculoskeletal System B	30
PHTY1001	Soft Tissue Injury Management	20	PHTY1003	Principles of Clinical Rehabilitation	20
BESC1001	Developmental Psychology and Behaviour in Physiotherapy	25	PHTY1004	Movement Sciences for Physiotherapy	25
CORE1010	Introduction to Philosophy	25	HLTH1030	Anatomy & Physiology of Body Systems	25
Course of credit Total for Y1 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y1 S2		100
					Total Units of credit Year One
					<u>200</u>

YEAR TWO					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY2000	Research & Evidence in Physiotherapy	25	PHTY2005	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences I	20
PHTY2001	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Lower Limb)	25	PHTY2006	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Upper Limb)	25
PHTY2002	Applied Neuroscience	25	PHTY2007	Physiotherapy in Gerontology	20
PHTY2003	Medical Sciences	25	PHTY2008	Clinical Education I	25
PHTY2004	Clinical Orthopaedics	0	PHTY2009	Physiotherapy in Gender Health	10
Course of credit Total for Y2 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y2 S2		100
					Total Units of credit Year Two
					<u>200</u>

YEAR THREE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY3000	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal I)	25	CORE1030	Introduction to Theology	25
PHTY3001	Rehabilitation for the Neurosciences	25	PHTY3003	Physiotherapy in Paediatrics	20
PHTY3002	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences II	25	PHTY3004	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal II)	25
CORE1020	Ethics	25	PHTY3005	Clinical Education II and Practitioner Development	30
Course of credit Total for Y3 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y3 S2		100
					Total Units of credit Year Three
					<u>200</u>

YEAR FOUR					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY4000	Clinical Education III	45	PHTY4002	Clinical Education V	45
PHTY4001	Clinical Education IV	45	PHTY4003	Clinical Education VI	45
PHTY4005	Professional Issues in Physiotherapy Practice	10	PHTY4007	Complex Cases	10
Course of credit Total for Y4 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y4 S2		100
					Total Units of credit Year Four
					<u>200</u>
					TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:
					<u>800</u>

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APPENDIX C: Program planner for all year groups in 2017

YEAR ONE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY101	Anatomy & Physiology of the Neuromusculoskeletal System A	65	PHTY102	Anatomy & Physiology of the Neuromusculoskeletal System B	55
PHTY111	Foundations of Physiotherapy Practice	25	BMS103	Anatomy & Physiology of Body Systems	25
PS102	Foundations of Human Behaviour	25	PHTY122	Movement Sciences for Physiotherapy	30
SS125	Molecular and Cell Biology	25	PHTY123	Soft Tissue Injury Management	25
			PH100	Introduction to Philosophy	25
Course of credit Total for Y1 S1		140	Course of credit Total for Y1 S2		160
					Total Units of credit Year One
					300

YEAR TWO					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY204	Research Methods for Physiotherapists	25	PHTY202	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences I	35
PHTY211	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Lower Limb)	40	PHTY221	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Upper Limb)	35
PHTY212	Clinical Orthopaedics	30	PHTY223	Physiotherapy in Gerontology & Gender Health	35
PHTY213	Medical Sciences	30	PHTY224	Clinical Education I	40
PHTY214	Applied Neuroscience	30			
Course of credit Total for Y2 S1		155	Course of credit Total for Y2 S2		145
					Total Units of credit Year Two
					300

YEAR THREE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
PHTY311	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal I)	35	PHTY302	Evidence Based Physiotherapy and Research Processes	25
PHTY314	Rehabilitation for the Neurosciences	40	PHTY313	Physiotherapy in Paediatrics	25
PHTY325	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences II	40	PHTY321	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal II)	35
ET100	Ethics	25	PHTY322	Physiotherapy in Healthcare and Management Systems	10
TH101	Introduction to Theology	25	PHTY326	Clinical Education II	40
Course of credit Total for Y3 S1		165	Course of credit Total for Y3 S2		135
					Total Units of credit Year Three
					300

YEAR FOUR					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
Students will complete three (3) of the four (4) following clinical education courses as determined by Assoc Dean Clinical Education and Supervisor of the student					
PHTY412	Clinical Education III	70	PHTY432	Clinical Education V	70
PHTY422	Clinical Education IV	70	PHTY442	Clinical Education VI	70
Students are also required to complete the following courses					
PHTY402	Research Project (Honours) – full year course 70 CP total	35	PHTY402	Research Project (Honours) – full year course 70 CP total	35
PHTY452	Complex Cases & Professional Issues	10	PHTY452	Complex Cases & Professional Issues	10
Course of credit Total for Y4 S1		<u>115-185</u>	Course of credit Total for Y4 S2		115-185
Total Units of credit Year Four					<u>300</u>
TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:					<u>1200</u>

The University reserves the right to change or alter the order of the courses offered for each semester. Contact the School of Physiotherapy for details.

APPENDIX D: Program planner for all year groups in 2018

YEAR ONE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	
PHTY1000	Anatomy of the Neuromusculoskeletal System A	30	PHTY1002	Anatomy of the Neuromusculoskeletal System B	30	
PHTY1001	Soft Tissue Injury Management	20	PHTY1003	Principles of Clinical Rehabilitation	20	
BESC1001	Developmental Psychology and Behaviour in Physiotherapy	25	PHTY1004	Movement Sciences for Physiotherapy	25	
CORE1010	Introduction to Philosophy	25	HLTH1030	Anatomy & Physiology of Body Systems	25	
Course of credit Total for Y1 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y1 S2		100	
					Total Units of credit Year One	<u>200</u>

YEAR TWO						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	
PHTY2000	Research & Evidence in Physiotherapy	25	PHTY2005	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences I	20	
PHTY2001	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Lower Limb)	25	PHTY2006	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Upper Limb)	25	
PHTY2002	Applied Neuroscience	25	PHTY2007	Physiotherapy in Gerontology	20	
PHTY2003	Medical Sciences	25	PHTY2008	Clinical Education I	25	
PHTY2004	Clinical Orthopaedics	0	PHTY2009	Physiotherapy in Gender Health	10	
Course of credit Total for Y2 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y2 S2		100	
					Total Units of credit Year Two	<u>200</u>

YEAR THREE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	
PHTY3000	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal I)	25	CORE1030	Introduction to Theology	25	
PHTY3001	Rehabilitation for the Neurosciences	25	PHTY3003	Physiotherapy in Paediatrics	20	
PHTY3002	Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy Sciences II	25	PHTY3004	Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (Spinal II)	25	
CORE1020	Ethics	25	PHTY3006	Clinical Education II and Advanced Practitioner Development	30	
Course of credit Total for Y3 S1		100	Course of credit Total for Y3 S2		100	
					Total Units of credit Year Three	<u>200</u>

YEAR FOUR					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
Students will complete three (3) of the four (4) following clinical education courses as determined by Assoc Dean Clinical Education and Supervisor of the student					
PHTY4000	Clinical Education III	45	PHTY4002	Clinical Education V	45
PHTY4001	Clinical Education IV	45	PHTY4003	Clinical Education VI	45
Students are also required to complete the following courses					
PHTY4004	Supervised Honours Research Project A	20	PHTY4009	Supervised Honours Research Project B	25
PHTY4008	Professional Issues in Physiotherapy Practice	10	PHTY4007	Complex Cases	10
Course of credit Total for Y4 S1		75-120	Course of credit Total for Y4 S2		80-125
Total Units of credit Year Four					200
TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:					800

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