

Degree Courses of Physiotherapy

Integrated Teaching: Scientific English

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PREREQUISITES

Students should have a good working knowledge of English (at least B1 of the Common European Framework of Languages).

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The aim of the module is to provide students with a practical grammatical, lexical and phonetic analysis of realistic, colloquial and up-to-date dialogues in clinical settings. The module also seeks to establish an awareness in students of the essential role English phonetics plays in medical science.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Knowledge and understanding

On successful completion of the module students will be able to:

- feel confident about analysing and using the symbols of the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) for both British English and American English pronunciation
- understand the meanings and usage of a variety of words and expressions used in clinical settings
- understand the main rules of English grammar

Applying knowledge and understanding

On successful completion of the module students will be able to:

- understand and use a variety of words and expressions typical of clinical settings in English

Communication skills

On successful completion of the module students will be able to:

- express themselves with clarity and accuracy

Making judgements)

On successful completion of the module students will be able to:

- make informed judgements about the topics of the course

COURSE SYLLABUS

Scientific English

The module will consider the following topics:

1. Taking a history
2. Vital signs
3. Pain
4. Explaining diagnosis and management
5. Discussing treatment with patients
6. The hospital
7. Pre-operative patient assessment
8. Post-operative patient assessment
9. Patient discharge
10. Breathing problems
11. Communicating
12. Personal care
13. Elimination
14. Eating and drinking
15. Mobility
16. Wound care
17. Sexuality and gynaecology
18. Medical imaging
19. Heart problems
20. Diabetes care
21. Intravenous infusions
22. Cancer treatment

Students will also be given the chance to practise the language of both telephone conversations and oral presentations.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The topics of the course will be investigated both in lectures and practical classes for a total of 30 hours.

COURSE GRADE DETERMINATION

Grades will be awarded on completion of an oral examination. The contents of the examination are to be found in the books indicated in the Reading Materials section below.

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