GC-PAEDOP Specialist Certificate in Paediatric Orthopaedic Physiotherapy

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Year and Campus:	2016 - Parkville			
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees			
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate			
Duration & Credit Points:	25 credit points taken over 6 months full time. This course is available as full or part time.			
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Course Overview:	The Specialist Certificate is designed for senior physiotherapists who specialise in paediatrics or musculoskeletal practice. The Specialist Certificate provides preparation for the physiotherapist to function in an advanced clinical role in paediatric orthopaedics (with the support of a paediatric orthopaedic consultant as needed). The intent is that the certificate will provide physiotherapists with an opportunity to develop competencies associated with advanced physiotherapy practice in the outpatient setting.			
Learning Outcomes:	The course aims to enable participants to: • acquire the knowledge, skills, attitudes and values necessary for the development of the advanced physiotherapist role in paediatric orthopaedics in the outpatient setting. • understand and apply advanced clinical reasoning skills and an evidence-based approach to decision making • develop a high level of oral and written communication skills • gain an understanding of the changing knowledge base in the specialist area • facilitate the development, implementation and undertaking of new and innovative practices within legislative and professional boundaries • recognise the knowledge, skills, and attitudes required for effective team functioning • develop the leadership, team work relevant to advanced practitioners			
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	To satisfy the requirements of the Specialist Certificate in Paediatric Orthopaedics Physiotherapy, students must successfully complete both subjects, a total of 25 points			
Subject Options:	Core Subjects			
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	
	PHTY90082 Paediatric Orthopaedic Physiotherapy 1	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50	
	PHTY90083 Paediatric Orthopaedic Physiotherapy 2	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50	
Entry Requirements:	1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: • a Bachelor of Physiotherapy or equivalent; and • registration with the Physiotherapists Registration Board in a state or territory of Australia; and • at least four years of documented postgraduate experience in a paediatric or musculoskeletal setting. Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection. 2. In ranking and/or assessing applications, the Selection Committee will consider: • prior academic qualification and performance; and • the professional experience.			

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	 The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board <u>rules</u> (http://about.unimelb.edu.au/academicboard/resolutions) on the use of selection instruments. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance <u>band 6.5</u> (http://about.unimelb.edu.au/academicboard/resolutions) is required. Note: Applicants are advised that they will be required to obtain, and pay for, working with children and police checks prior to commencing the course. 	
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Commonwealth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this course are articulated in the Course Overview, Objectives and Generic Skills sections of this entry. It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this course are encouraged to discuss this matter with the Student Equity and Disability Support Team: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/	
Further Study:	None	
Graduate Attributes:	The Specialist Certificate provides students with an opportunity to acquire in-depth knowledge and skills in their specialist discipline. The course will prepare them to act as an autonomous professional and to display leadership in paediatric orthopaedics through the mentoring provided by the clinical supervisors.	
Professional Accreditation:	None	
Generic Skills:	NA	
Links to further information:	http://www.commercial.unimelb.edu.au/courses	

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