

SPECIAL REGULATIONS: MSc ADVANCED CLINICAL PRACTICE

INTRODUCTION

- 1 These special regulations related only to the following programme:
MSc Advanced Clinical Practice

ADMISSION

- 2 Entry requirements are in line with the standard University entry requirements, which are linked in the Standard Information Items for Validation.
- 3 In addition applicants will typically:
 - (a) Hold a relevant first degree in health/ social sciences (2:2 or above) and
 - (b) Hold a professional registration to practice in health and/or social care or equivalent
 - (c) Apprentices applying to the programme must have passed level 2 Maths and English (or equivalent) at grade 4 or above (GCSE grade C or above).
 - (d) Apprentices applying to the programme must be fully supported by the employer and be working in an ACP apprenticeship position.
- 4 Applicants should normally be working in the field of practice relevant to their proposed study or have sufficient access to it to support their studies.
- 5 In addition to the University entry requirements applicants must have support from clinical practice as they are required to have a clinical facilitator who will support their learning and development in the Advanced Clinical Practitioner role. Supporting Trusts/Organisations have strict entry requirements for this programme that may take the form of an interview and/ or OSCE format.
- 6 Applicants who will be undertaking the non-medical prescribing (NMP) module as part of this programme will also need to satisfy the entry requirements specified in the NMP special regulations.

ASSESSMENT / REASSESSMENT

- 7 Students must pass all modules. Students must pass all elements of assessment within a module.
- 8 Students on an apprenticeship route must pass the End Point Assessment (EPA). Students are only entitled to a single reassessment opportunity at the EPA.

TIMING OF REASSESSMENT

- 9 An apprentice's first reassessment attempt must be taken in the next available timetabled assessment period, or, where permitted by the University, through in-year reassessment.

- 10 An apprentice's second reassessment attempt must be taken in the next available timetabled assessment period without attendance on the module, this can be during the same academic year as the two initial assessment attempts. Employers will not be charged for this second reassessment attempt.

USE OF INTEGRATED END POINT ASSESSMENT MODULES IN AWARDS

- 11 The integrated End Point Assessment (EPA) module will be graded in accordance with the rules specified in the appropriate Apprenticeship Standard End Point Assessment Plan at <https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/> or any successor location.
- 12 An apprentice must pass the EPA module without compensation in order to gain the academic award.
- 13 The EPA module is not graded numerically and the Apprenticeship Standard and End Point Assessment Plan require the EPA module to be included in the classification of the degree, therefore the EPA module will contribute to the classification of the award by converting the module grade to a numeric grade as given below and this numeric grade being used in the normal award classification algorithm.
- Distinction – 75%
 - Merit – 65%
 - Pass – 55%
 - Fail – 39%

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE AND CONDUCT

- 14 Where applicable students must meet the requirements of their relevant professional regulatory body relating to student conduct, good health and good character. Breaches of professional conduct will be subject to the fitness to practise procedures for the Faculty of Health and Wellbeing.

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