

Postgraduate courses

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR PEOPLE FROM A RANGE OF DISCIPLINES



MSc Vocational Rehabilitation

This course addresses the growing need for advanced studies in vocational rehabilitation for a multi-professional audience. It aims to equip professionals working in health, employment, rehabilitation and allied services to support the government's agenda for enabling people with disabilities to gain or regain employment.

Core modules include

- context of vocational rehabilitation
- impact and experience of disability
- pathways to employment
- research for the working world

There is also an optional module which can be taken from a range of courses within the University or through an independent study module.

Examples of optional modules include

- cognitive processing and disability
- principles of occupation
- others, depending on your individual needs

New modules for 2006/7

Managing health for work (distance learning)

This module provides an opportunity to critically review health and social policy, models and frameworks and practices that impact on an individual's ability to self-manage a health condition in a working environment. The module aims to establish the basis for a collaborative approach to condition management and explore the role of others who contribute to these interventions.

An occupational approach to health and wellbeing

This module explores the concept of active ageing and focuses particularly on an occupational approach to health called 'lifestyle redesign'. During the module participants will develop an understanding of how periods of transition can potentially impact on the health and well being of individuals. It explores the potential of preventive approaches to help redress these.

Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Occupational Therapy

This course consists of three modules

- developing occupational therapy practice
- research for the working world
- optional module

Short courses

Ergonomics and workplace assessment

This short course aims to look at the workplace taking into account physical, psychological and environmental factors. Once these are identified changes can be made to improve the interaction between the person and the workplace. The module will suit those working in the area of vocational rehabilitation as well as those who have an interest in ergonomics and would like an introduction to the subject.

Creative approaches to working with people with dementia

The arts can provide a powerful vehicle for self-expression and communication for people with dementia. These innovative short courses will provide you with a wealth of ideas and simple techniques and enable you to explore ways of introducing opportunities for creative activities in the settings where you work. The first course will focus on the use of the visual arts, music and drama whilst emphasis will be placed on the second course on creative writing, photography and the use of humour. These would be ideal for therapists, activity co-ordinators, care staff, managers, carers who are interested in exploring the potential of the arts in health.

User and carer voices – publishing experiences in the community

Community publications have been developed with service users and carers in many different health and social care contexts, facilitated by health, arts, education and other community workers or by user and carer groups themselves. The objectives are usually to raise the profile and awareness of the needs of a particular group and provide an education resource; inform other users and carers in the community who use services; celebrate and affirm the lives of people with experiences of disability. Community publications can be a vehicle for other education, skills acquisition and community participation opportunities.

Orthotics

This short course is an optional one or two days to look at static and dynamic splinting.

The course will look specifically at hand anatomy and functional anatomy and movement and will look at the evidence base for splinting for a range of injuries and conditions.

The course is especially relevant for occupational therapists and physiotherapists working in orthopaedics with a clinical interest in hand therapy.

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