

DOCTOR OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

BECOME A PHYSIOTHERAPIST IN THREE YEARS

Whether you're part of a transplant recipient's first steps with new lungs or helping an athlete get back on the field after an injury, physiotherapists have the opportunity to make a big impact on someone's life.

The Doctor of Physiotherapy is a postgraduate entry-to-practice degree that provides you with the knowledge, skills and clinical experience to start your career as a physiotherapist.

You'll start your physiotherapy training from day one. We offer early work-integrated learning, simulation activities and opportunities to practice your new skills in our facilities on campus and during clinical placements.

We're not just educating tomorrow's physiotherapists, but preparing the next generation of leaders in health. With training in leadership, advocacy and education as part of your degree, you'll be prepared for a range of potential career pathways.

CLINICAL PLACEMENTS

From your very first semester, you'll begin physiotherapy education through simulation activities, on-campus practical labs, and work-integrated learning experiences.



These early encounters build your clinical decision-making, manual handling, and patient-interaction skills before you transition into real-world clinical settings.

We partner with some of the state's major healthcare providers to give you access to high-quality clinical training.

Our placements take place in a range of facilities from hospitals to rehabilitation centres to private practice.

In the Doctor of Physiotherapy you will:

- Get hands-on experience and exposure to the clinical environment from the start of your degree.
- Gain practical experience at Victoria's leading hospitals and health services.
- Complete your own research project, under the guidance of our physiotherapy experts.
- Learn collaborative practice alongside students from other areas of health, preparing you to provide the best possible patient care.

MELISSA MOKOS-LYNCH

DOCTOR OF PHYSIOTHERAPY GRADUATE

“There were always opportunities to apply my skills from the start of my degree and partake in placements at a range of health networks. These valuable experiences had such a positive impact on my work readiness when I started as a physiotherapist. It was fantastic to have such knowledgeable and approachable staff always willing to help.”



COURSE STRUCTURE

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Foundations of physiotherapy Musculoskeletal physiotherapy Cardiorespiratory physiotherapy Neurological physiotherapy	Integrated practice Clinical practice 1 & 2 Disability and chronic disease	Clinical practice 3 & 4 Applied research in physiotherapy Business and management in health systems Leadership, education and advocacy

ALTERNATIVE EXITS

With a Monash degree in physiotherapy, you can pursue a range of exciting careers. Our three-year doctoral qualification is also your passport to a global career, with opportunities to register to practice internationally. As a physiotherapist, you can work independently, and as part of a team of health professionals.

Whether you want to work in a major city or a rural town, physiotherapists have the flexibility to work in a diverse range of settings and a range of practice areas including:

- Cardiorespiratory
- Education
- Gerontology
- Management
- Musculoskeletal
- Neurology
- Paediatrics
- Research
- Sports and exercise
- Women's health



“The Doctor of Physiotherapy course develops future physiotherapy leaders equipped with skills in clinical practice, education, research and advocacy to make a real difference to health and patient care in Australia and internationally.”

Professor Christian Osadnik
Head of Physiotherapy

COURSE CODE

M6032

STUDY MODE

On campus (Peninsula)

INTAKE

Second Semester (July)

DURATION

Full time: 3 years

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

The Doctor of Physiotherapy course is an approved program of study, accredited by the Australian Physiotherapy Council on behalf of the Physiotherapy Registration Board.

LEARN MORE

For further information about the Doctor of Physiotherapy including entry requirements, fees and placements, visit monash.edu/study/course/m6032



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