

POST-GRADUATE

School of Healthcare

FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH

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Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Assessment



Fully funded places for NHS Employees

These programmes are currently **fully funded** for NHS Employees and are very popular and often oversubscribed.

We advise you to plan your training as early as possible with your manager.

Deadline is 29 June.

About the programme

This exciting programme has been developed to meet the expanding needs of healthcare practitioners. The programme builds on our established reputation for delivering high quality modules that are clinically focused. The programme will enable practitioners to assess patients from "head-to-toe" and develop evidence-based management strategies. Practitioners will develop practical skills in taking health history, auscultation, percussion and palpation in addition to diagnostic reasoning skills.

Progression opportunities

The programme may enable practitioners to move towards advanced practitioner status and gain access to the **MSc Advanced Practice** at the University of Leeds. The programme will enable practitioners' career development by moving towards advanced practice roles. On previous occasions students who have successfully completed modules of a similar nature at the School of Healthcare have gone on to become nurse consultants and advanced and specialist practitioners.

Who is the programme aimed at?

The Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Assessment is suitable for healthcare practitioners, such as nurses and pharmacist, involved in the clinical assessment of patients. This may include specialist and advanced practitioners in areas such as community, accident and emergency, high-dependency, and critical care outreach.

Aim of the Programme

The aim of the programme is to enable practitioners to develop knowledge and skills in clinical assessment and patient management in order to practice in a way commensurate with their role and personal development. The Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Assessment requires the successful completion of 60 M level credits. It is underpinned by one 30 credit compulsory module (HECS 5235 Clinical Examination) and one 15 credit module (HECS 5236 Management of patient's clinical conditions). There are currently three option modules for the student to choose from.

Postgraduate Certificate Clinical Assessment Modules

Module Code	Module	Credits	Delivery	Module Status
HECS5235M	Clinical Examination	30	Semester 1 & 2a	<i>Compulsory</i>
HECS 5236M	Management of Patient's Clinical Conditions	15	Semester 1	<i>Compulsory</i>
HECS 5167M	Interpreting Biochemistry and Haematology for Healthcare Practice	15	Semester 2b	<i>Option</i>
HECS 5003M	Pathophysiology	15	Semester 2a	<i>Option</i>
HECS 5261M	Principles for Medical Imaging Interpretation	15	Semester 2a	<i>Option</i>



Application information

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Compulsory Modules

HECS 5235 provides essential knowledge and skills necessary for a patient-centred systems based assessment of patients. The module is essential for the successful completion of the programme

HECS 5236 Management of Patient's Clinical Conditions, is essential in that it provides the student with the opportunity to take assessment data a stage further. It requires students to evaluate information elicited from patient assessment and develop diagnostic reasoning skills.

Optional Modules

The Programme currently is offering three 15 credit option modules. Each student is required to choose one 15 credit modules along with the compulsory modules in order to receive the award. It is envisaged that additional option modules will become available in the future.

Module Assessments

Module Code	Module	Credits	Assessment Due	Form of Assessment
HECS5235M	Clinical Examination	30	End of semester 1 and 2a	1. Write exam 2. OSCE
HECS 5236M	Management of Patient's Clinical Conditions	15	End of semester 1	3000 word written assignment
HECS 5167M	Interpreting Biochemistry and Haematology for Healthcare Practice	15	End of Semester 2b	MCO & short answer examination
HECS 5003M	Pathophysiology	15	End of semester 2a	Written essay and MCO examination
HECS 5261M	Principles for Medical Imaging Interpretation	15	Semester 2a	Essay and examination

Entry Requirements

- Applicants will normally possess a good honours degree (2.1 and above) in health science from a recognised higher education institution or certified evidence of an ability to study at level 5 (Master's level).
- Current registration with a United Kingdom healthcare professional governing body (e.g. NMC).
- Applicants should have written endorsement from their employing organisation that they will be supported to undertake the programme of study.

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