



The **Centre of Precision Rehabilitation for Spinal Pain, University of Birmingham** have a number of exciting professional development opportunities for physiotherapists starting September 2018.

We are looking for dynamic, self-motivated physiotherapists who are striving to develop in the field of spinal pain and rehabilitation. Funding is available for **3 funded scholarships** for the **MRes Spinal Pain (worth ~£10,000 each)** and **3 bursaries (worth £3500 each)** for the **MSc Advanced Manipulative Physiotherapy** programme.

The **MRes Spinal Pain** and **MSc in Advanced Manipulative Physiotherapy** programmes are focused to musculoskeletal physiotherapy for spinal pain and will commence in **September 2018**. Offered only as full time programmes completion is expected within 13 months.

MSc Spinal Pain

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/combined/sport-exercise/spinal-pain.aspx#CourseDetailsTab>

This combined research and taught masters programme provides students with a **research orientated training in the practical, theoretical and applied elements of spinal pain and rehabilitation**. The purpose of the MRes Spinal Pain is to provide a strong foundation for research in spinal pain and rehabilitation.

The taught elements of the course will be delivered in the form of one core module (Research Methods) and two optional modules in core disciplines within physiotherapy rehabilitation sciences. Extended research experience is offered within CPR Spine in the shape of a six-month research project focused to spinal pain. Project supervisors include **Prof Deborah Falla, Dr Alison Rushton** and **Dr Nicola Heneghan**.

Entry Requirements

Admission to the programme is on the basis that applicants will have:

- A BSc/BA honours degree or equivalent, normally a 1st or 2.1 honours degree in Physiotherapy
- Supporting evidence of appropriate continuing professional development and evidence of post registration working in a musculoskeletal context

Informal enquires can be directed to Dr Alison Rushton, MRes Spinal Pain Programme Lead, CPR Spine
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MSc Advanced Manipulative Physiotherapy Programme

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/taught/sport-exercise/advanced-manipulative-physio.aspx>

This programme enables exploration of the theoretical basis of musculoskeletal physiotherapy and its application to the development of clinical reasoning. It facilitates an evaluation of existing evidence through the exploration of the assessment and management of musculoskeletal dysfunction. Successful completion of the programme qualifies students for membership of the **Musculoskeletal Association of Chartered Physiotherapists (MACP)** and recognition by the International Federation of Orthopaedic Manipulative Physical Therapists (IFOMPT).

Entry Requirements

Admission to the programme is on the basis that applicants will have:

- Current registration with the HCPC and CSP (includes professional indemnity insurance)
- A BSc/BA honours degree or equivalent, normally a 1st or 2.1 honours degree
- Documented evidence of a minimum of 1500 hours experience post registration of working in a musculoskeletal context
- Supporting evidence of appropriate continuing professional development
- Evidence of satisfactory current DBS
- Evidence of satisfactory health declaration and immunisation record.

Informal enquires can be directed to Dr Nicola Heneghan, Education Lead, CPR Spine n.heneghan@bham.ac.uk



Application Process for MRes Spinal Pain and MSc Advanced Manipulative Physiotherapy

Please submit a **brief CV (no more than two pages)** and **personal statement (no more than one A4 page)** outlining your experiences and interest in these opportunities to n.heneghan@bham.ac.uk

If you are shortlisted, you will be requested to submit a full application to the University of Birmingham.

Deadline for Applications

- **28th May 2018**

Interviews

If you are shortlisted interviews will take place at the University of Birmingham on:

- **5th June 2018**