MASTER OF PHYSIOTHERAPY
(SPORTS)

Preliminary Information
This program will provide physiotherapy graduates with advanced, specialised training in sports physiotherapy. Graduates of this program will be able to manage and prevent injuries to promote optimal health and sports performance. They will be able to critically evaluate and contribute to current research and apply the basic and applied sciences relevant to sports physiotherapy practice.

Qualification for admission
A candidate for this program must:

- hold a 4 year pass or honours or graduate entry master or professional doctorate degree in physiotherapy and
- have completed 2 years full-time relevant professional experience (or equivalent) and
- produce evidence of continuing professional education  OR
- have qualifications and experience that are deemed equivalent to the above by the Head of School

Program Structure and Cost
The program comprises 16 units of courses listed in the Program list or approved by the Head of School. The program will be completed in two semesters full-time or up to four semesters part-time and will be offered on a full-fee basis. A limited number of part-time places are offered.
The program commences in Semester 1.
Cost: calculating your fees

The opportunity to defer payment of fees is available to some students via FEE HELP. More information can be gained from the website: www.goingtouni.gov.au. FEE HELP is not available to international students.

Fee Support
The University of Queensland is offering Commonwealth supported places for Australian and New Zealand citizens and Permanent Residents wishing to undertake this program.

The approximate cost to a Commonwealth supported student to complete a masters program and defer payment* will be $7,800. This is half the cost to full-fee paying students. A 20% discount is given to Australian students who pay their fees upfront. All applicants will be considered for fee support.

*The option to defer payment is only available to Australian citizens and holders of humanitarian permanent resident visas.

Program Objectives
This program provides practical and theoretical instruction in management of and preventative approaches to sports injuries. Specific emphasis is placed on the development of sound clinical reasoning skills and the underlying scientific basis of sports physiotherapy practice. Therapeutic approaches are supported by a strong research base in the Division of Physiotherapy. Research skills will be advanced in a directed project and facilitated by the teaching methods employed in this program.
Teaching/Educational Methods

These will include lectures, seminars, practical classes, supervised (3 sessions per week over 13 weeks) and self-directed clinical practice. The latter is gained by providing on-site services to a sports team over the course of a season, contributing to sports coverage at a wide range of sports and observing and communicating with other health care professionals involved in the multidisciplinary team approach to managing sports injury.

Students who have completed the Master of Physiotherapy (Sports) may proceed to the Master of Physiotherapy (Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy), receiving 10 units credit towards the Musculoskeletal coursework. Students who have completed the Master of Physiotherapy (Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy) may proceed to the Master of Physiotherapy (Sports), receiving 10 units credit towards the Sports plan and will complete PHTY7303 and PHTY7305 in semester 2.

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Course Details

PHTY 7101 Advanced Studies in the Basic, Behavioural & Medical Sciences A
Students’ knowledge will be advanced in the fields of neurophysiology, anatomy, biochemistry, and pathology relevant to musculoskeletal disorders treated by physiotherapists.

PHTY 7103 Theory & Practice of Manipulative Physiotherapy A
Extends graduate physiotherapists’ knowledge & clinical expertise in the field of musculoskeletal & manipulative physiotherapy of the cervical spine & upper quadrant. Provision of preclinical & clinical experience with a philosophy of evidence based practice.

PHTY7111 The Scientific Basis of Advanced Therapeutic Exercise
This course provides the scientific basis, practical skills and clinical application of therapeutic exercise for advanced physiotherapy practice.

PHTY 7018 Directed Research Project
This course will advance students’ knowledge and skills in research and provide practical experience in the research process.

HRSS7809 Evidence Based Practice in Allied Health
Introduction of principles, methods & skills for evidence-based practice, with specific relevance to the therapies.

PHTY 7303 Theory & Practice of Sports Physiotherapy
Advanced study of knowledge & skills required by sports physiotherapists in the prevention & management of upper quadrant (cervical & thoracic spine, shoulder girdle & upper limbs) conditions.

PHTY 7305 Advanced Studies in Sports Science for Sports Phyt
Advanced theoretical & laboratory study of human exercise physiology & relevant health sciences pertinent to sports physiotherapy.