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Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

Master in Physiotherapy (MPT)

Information Seminar (2024/25)

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Formative Years of Physiotherapy

**2nd World Wars & the polio epidemics in early 1900s
established the value of
Physiotherapy in Rehabilitation**



*Barclay J (1994) In Good Hands - the History of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy 1894-1994.
Oxford: Butterworth-Heinemann Ltd.*

Physiotherapy in Hong Kong– 60s – 70s



Industrial Accidents

Physiotherapy services – Now ...



急症處理
Emergency Treatment



早期床旁康復
Early Bedside Rehabilitation



門診物理治療
Out-patient Clinic service



社區物理治療
Community-based Physiotherapy



基層護理
Primary Healthcare



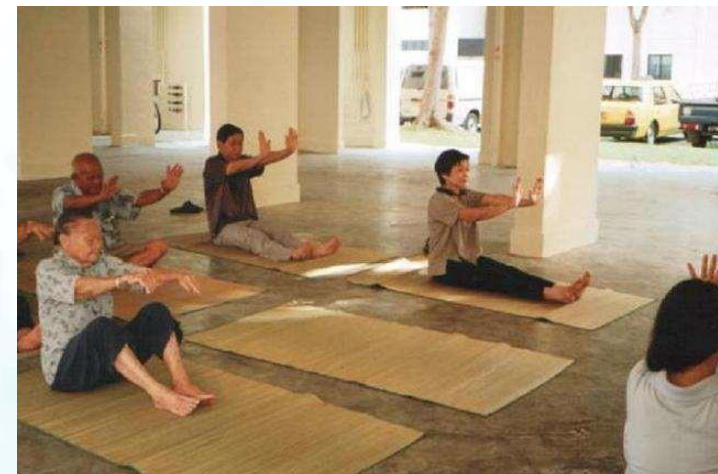
及早支持出院計劃
Discharge Planning
及
Early Support



公眾教育
Public Education

Physiotherapy

Preventing injuries, restoring independence, and promoting a maximal level of function to **people** with physical dysfunctions and mental health problems



Multiple physical means to provide patient care:

Electrotherapy, Exercise therapy, Manual therapy, Assistive devices



Physiotherapy



Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy



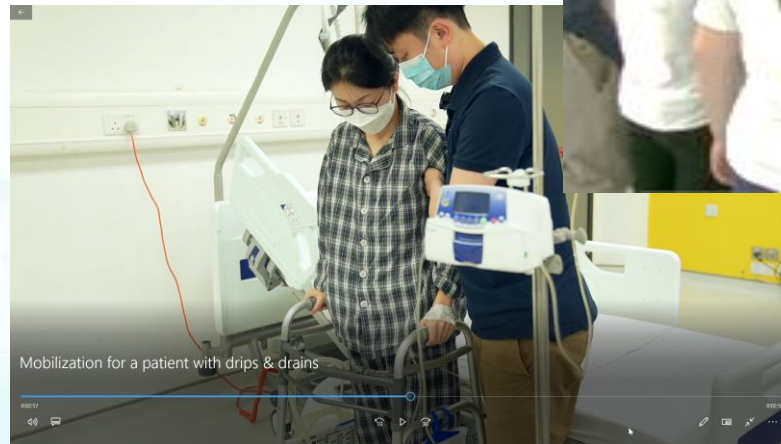
Neurological Physiotherapy



Paediatric Physiotherapy



Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy



Mobilization for a patient with drips & drains

Electrophysical Therapy



Sports Physiotherapy



Primary Health Care



Clinical Placement



Why MPT?

Global Trend

- **Canada:**
 - All PT schools have implemented the MPT program.
- **US:**
 - All accredited PT programs are at the doctoral level (DPT).
- **Australia:**
 - Most schools have implemented the MPT program, with some schools concurrently running the MPT and BSc PT programs.

Why MPT in Hong Kong?

Need to increase student intake.

- **Increasing the need of physiotherapy service**
(ageing population, increased awareness of well-being and quality of health).
- **Shortage of physiotherapists across different sectors.**
- A need to **increase supply of physiotherapy labor force** of promising quality in a timely manner.

MPT VS BSc PT?

MPT : Two-year programme

- Allows an alternative pathway to enter the physiotherapy profession (bachelor degree holders)
- Able to produce physiotherapy graduates in 2 years

Programme Curriculum

Program: **Master in Physiotherapy (MPT)**

Since 2012

Mode of attendance : Full-time

Normal duration : 2 years

Total credit requirements : 91 in total

- 23 foundation credits
- 43 professional credits
- 24 clinical credits
- 1 university requirement credit

Programme Curriculum

- **6 semesters in 2 years**
(including 2 summer semesters)
- **Professional content and clinical education hours (more than 1,000 hours)**
**not less than the BSc (Hons) PT program*

Clinical Education

Course	Setting
RS5331 (CE-I)	HA (in-patient/ extended rehabilitation)
RS5335 (CE-V)	NGO (Community-based)
RS5336 (CE-VI)	NGO (Community-based)
RS5332 (CE-II)	HA (in-patient/ extended rehabilitation)
RS5333 (CE-III)	HA (Out-patient/community)
RS5334 (CE-IV)	HA (Out-patient/community)

Entrance Requirements

- **Have obtained credits in each of the following pre-requisite university undergraduate-level courses before admission:**
 - Human Physiology (3 credits or equivalent)
 - Human Anatomy (3 credits or equivalent)
- **Student intake: 48**
- **Have a Bachelor's degree**

Entrance Requirements

– English Requirement

If applicants are not native speakers of English, and their Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualifications were awarded by institutions where the medium of instruction is not English, applicants are expected to fulfill the following minimum English language requirement for admission purpose.

- ✓ *A score of 80 or above in the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Internet-based test;*

OR

- ✓ *An Overall Band score of 6.0 or above in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic module.*

Remarks: TOEFL iBT Home Edition, the IELTS Online and IELTS indicator test results will not be considered for meeting the English language Requirements for taught programmes

Professional Recognition

- MPT graduates can apply for registration with the **Physiotherapists Board of Hong Kong**
- Curriculum covers all essential subject areas required for **entry level physiotherapy education**

Professional Recognition

Registration with Physiotherapists Board of Hong Kong was approved in December 2015 under the **Guidelines for Handling Applications for Registration of the Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance.**

- The MPT graduates are fully eligible to apply for registration and practice in Hong Kong.

Timeline of 9th MPT Cohort

Month	Task
26 July 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MPT Information Seminar
1 August – 15 August 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online application period
September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Invite shortlisted applicants to interview by email
Late September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selection interview
October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Announcement of application result on e-Admission system• Acceptance of offer and settle registration fee and caution money
October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SWD provides the NGOs list to successful applicants via RS Dept.
November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NGOs recruitment
December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Programme registration
Early January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration of successful applicants as MPT students
13 January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commencement of study for 9th Cohort of MPT students

Tuition Fee

- A total of HKD\$680,000 for 2 years
(4 instalments: HKD\$170,000 each)
- Students can apply for Training Sponsorship Scheme offered by Social Welfare Department (SWD).
- Students with sponsorship will have to settle the tuition fee by themselves first, and then reimburse from the NGO.

Our graduates





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