PHYSIOTHERAPY



MSc (Physiotherapy): This entry-level to practice degree prepares students with the professional education and experience necessary to apply for a license to practice physiotherapy. The time to complete this program is 25 months.

MSc (Rehabilitation Research): This thesis-based program provides graduates with skills and knowledge to design and implement research in diverse areas of rehabilitation science. The typical time to complete this program is 2 years.

PhD (Health): This program is designed to specifically recognize and respond to the World Health Organization's (WHO) definition of Health and the International Classification of Function (ICF). Students will complete a focused, research intensive program contextualized within the broader health perspective. The typical time to complete this program is 4-6 years.



Why study Physiotherapy at Dalhousie?

RESEARCH STRENGTHS

The three main areas of research are Cardio-respiratory and Chronic Disease Management, Musculoskeletal, and Neurological. We provide opportunities for mixed methods research in the fields of biomedical engineering, medicine, behavioural medicine, psychology, neuroscience and physiology undertaken by interdisciplinary teams.

POTENTIAL CAREERS

MSc (Physiotherapy): A registered physiotherapist may work in a broad range of settings providing client and/or population health interventions as well as management, educational, research and consultation services.

MSc (Rehabilitation Research) and PhD (Health): Roles in academia, government, workplace, and self-employment.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must satisfy the general requirements for admission to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, in addition to:

MSc (Physiotherapy):

- A four-year Bachelor's university degree, with a minimum GPA of 3.3 in the most recent 60 credit hours of that degree.
- Prerequisite Courses: Human
 Physiology (1 full credit
 equivalent to PHYL 1010.06);
 Human Anatomy (1/2 credit
 equivalent to ANAT 1010.03);
 Statistics (1/2 credit); Languages
 and Humanities and/or Social
 Sciences (1 full credit) (1/2 credit
 must be in Psychology); Life
 Sciences (1/2 credit). Strongly
 recommended Physics and/or
 Biomechanics (1 full credit or
 1/2 credit).
- At least forty hours of volunteer experience (not necessarily in the area of physiotherapy) in the last 2 years
- A provincial quota system is in place with a specified number of seats allocated annually for residents of NB, PEI, NL and NS, beyond this quota, seats are available for other Canadian and International applicants.

MSc (Rehabilitation Research):

 A four-year Bachelor's degree in related area of study, with a minimum GPA of 3.0 in the last 60 credit hours of study.

PhD (Health):

- A thesis or non-thesis based master's with a minimum GPA of 3.7 or its equivalent
- A member of the faculty of the PhD in Health has agreed to supervise the applicant.
- An approved plan for funding from student and supervisor.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

- MSc (Physiotherapy): January 31
- MSc (Rehabilitation Research): January 31 (for scholarship consideration)
- PhD (Health): ongoing consideration by the Faculty of Health Professions Governance Council

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