



Bachelor of Physiotherapy (International students)

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| Program code | Entry requirements | Prerequisites |
| 1589 | 7.0 | NIL |
| Available at | IELTS (Academic) (more) | Assumed knowledge |
| Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus | CRICOS code | English, English as an Additional Language, Literature or English and Literature Extension (Units 3 and 4, C) |
| Duration | 094396G | Mathematical Methods (Units 3 and 4, C) |
| 4 years full-time | Commencing in | One of Biology, Chemistry or Physics (Units 3 and 4, C) |
| Credit points | Trimester 1 | Apply Now |
| 320 | | |
| Indicative fee | | |
| \$50,000.00* per year (more) | | |
| * 2024 indicative annual fee | | |

About this program

Graduates will be eligible to register to practice as a Physiotherapist within Australia following accreditation. Students will undertake biomedical, physical and behavioural science courses as well as physiotherapy academic and clinical courses. Before graduation, students will be required to demonstrate physiotherapy knowledge and skills required for entry-level clinical physiotherapy practice.

This program provides an innovative, student-centred and employability-focused curriculum with a strong emphasis on client-centred and evidence based-practice as well as experiential and inter-professional learning.

| Code | Program title | Campus | Intake |
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| 1589 | Bachelor of Physiotherapy (this program) | Gold Coast, Nathan | Trimester 1 only |
| 1590 | Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) | Gold Coast, Nathan | Trimester 1 only |
| 1653 | Bachelor of Rehabilitation Sciences | Gold Coast, Nathan | Exit point only |

Note: Progression to the Honours program is dependent upon satisfying eligibility requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

Bachelor of Physiotherapy students will be expected to study full-time on-campus and attend all scheduled learning activities and clinical placements.

If you are an International student on a student visa, you must ensure that you enrol in a way that will allow you to complete your enrolment within the expected program duration as stated on your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

Work-integrated learning

Bachelor of Physiotherapy students will undertake several work-integrated learning activities throughout their program of study. Students will undertake clinical experiences from Year 1 to Year 4 as part of academic courses. Compulsory clinical placements begin in Year 4 of the program. Students must have successfully completed all courses in Year 1-3 (240CP) before progressing to year 4 practicum courses, in which students will undertake five week (190 hours) full-time clinical placements as part of five clinical placement courses.

Total work placement (weeks): 25. Total work placement (hours): 950.

Each clinical placement will have a different focus, such as physiotherapy within musculoskeletal, cardiorespiratory, neurological, or across the lifespan areas. Clinical placements will also take place in a variety of settings, such as inpatients, outpatients, community centres, or private practice. Regardless of the clinical placement focus or setting, students will be expected to safely and competently assess and treat clients in a holistic and evidence-based manner, drawing on knowledge and

skill sets related to core areas of physiotherapy practice.

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Physiotherapists aim to enhance the movement and function of individuals and populations across the lifespan especially when actual or potential impairments and disability relate to the musculoskeletal, cardiorespiratory, and neurological systems. Physiotherapists work in various settings such as hospitals, private practices, community health centres, schools, sporting teams and the armed forces. Physiotherapists may also be employed at universities to teach or conduct research or consult for industry and government bodies.

Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Physiotherapy is accredited by the [Australian Physiotherapy Council \(APC\)](#).

Professional recognition

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Graduates of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy are recognised by the Physiotherapy Board of Australia (PBA) and will be eligible to apply for registration through the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency \(AHPRA\)](#) to practice physiotherapy within Australia.

Placement requirements

Professional Practice requirements

There are placements associated with this program and before undertaking professional experience placements, all students in this program are required to have completed the following by the end of their first trimester of study:

- Vaccinations and Health Tests
- Licenses and Certificates
- Online Training
- Health Placement Requirements

Students should refer to the **checklist of professional practice requirements for their Health discipline** on the [Health Placement Support Hub](#) for full details of the requirements regarding professional placement to ensure that they meet eligibility for placement.

What are the fees?

International students

An International student is one who is not:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- a Pacific Engagement visa holder or
- a person who has Australian permanent resident status.

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points (two full-time trimesters).

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- An International student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (1589)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Changing programs

If an International student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Permanent resident status

If an **undergraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will be provided with a domestic fee-paying place.

The student may then apply for a Commonwealth supported place at the next admission period provided that the student satisfies the conditions for transfer from a domestic fee-paying place to a Commonwealth supported place as set out in the [Undergraduate Programs Admission Policy](#).

If a **postgraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth supported place (subject to availability) or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

If a **research student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Fee Offset or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

Further information

- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - 3.6 - Fees for International Students
 - 3.9 - Administrative and Miscellaneous Charges
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Cost of studying in Australia](#)

Additional fee information

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

first aid certificate; immunisations; uniforms; expenses associated with placements such as travel and accommodation, Fit for Professional Practice Placement costs such as Blue Card, Police Check. See [Health Placement Support Hub](#) website for more details.