Practice Placement 2 (PP2)
Practice Placement 2 encourages students to draw upon and integrate knowledge from their university based studies and previous learning from practice placement 1. During this placement they actively contribute to the practice setting. Emphasis is on practice and experience of the occupational therapy process, problem solving and communication. Students are expected to prepare for and actively contribute towards the midway and final evaluations of their performance.

PP2 is of six weeks duration, full time and is located in Year 1, at the end of Semester 2 for the MSc programme. In the BSc (Hons) programme it is located in Year 2, Semester 1. By the end of the PP2 module, students should have successfully completed 217 hours (30 days equivalent) of practice education.

During PP2, students are given half a day of study time per week (four hours). The study time forms part of the working week and is included in the overall hours for the placement. This half day may be used in a flexible way and is negotiated with the practice educator.

Students should receive daily supervision throughout the placement, including a minimum of one hour formal supervision with the practice educator each week.

Learning outcomes for PP2
On completion of this module the student will be able to:-

1. Practice within an ethical framework congruent with the Health and Care Professions Council Standards of Conduct, Performance and Ethics, and the College of Occupational Therapists Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct.
2. Recognise and discuss change, developments and policies that impact upon the practice setting.
3. Establish and maintain collaborative partnerships with team members including service users and carers in aspects of service provision.
4. With guidance, apply assessment tools and strategies effectively to analyse, prioritise and document service users’ occupational needs and goals.
5. With guidance, use activities and occupations with a range of service users, analysing the potential of these to facilitate change within a therapeutic process.
6. Evidence personal and professional reflection and goal setting.

Practice Placement 2 recommended reading list