Practice Placement 4

Practice placement 4 (PP4) is the final practice placement prior to graduation. At this level students will be expected to assume responsibility for a small caseload under minimal supervision.

PP4 is of eight weeks duration, full time and is located in Year 2, Semester 2 for the MSc programme. In the BSc (Hons) programme it is located in Year 4, Semester 1. By the end of the PP2 module, students should have successfully completed 288 hours (40 days equivalent) of practice education. During PP4, 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.

Learning outcomes for PP4

On completion of this module students will be able to:

1. Practice within an ethical framework commensurate with the Health and Care Professions Council Standards of Conduct, Performance and Ethics, and College of Occupational Therapists Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct.
2. Integrate knowledge and skills to work effectively with individuals/groups/communities with multiple and/or complex needs.
3. Contribute effectively to professional/inter professional/inter-agency working;
4. In collaboration with relevant stakeholders, use appropriate strategies to identify issues and develop a proposed action plan.
5. Design appropriate programmes and implement these in collaboration with individuals/groups/communities.
6. Evaluate the effectiveness of the programmes reflecting on the outcome of the decisions made and take appropriate actions with a view to developing or improving practice.
7. Autonomously prepare and produce concise, logical and accurate records, reports and documents.
8. Critically reflect on personal learning and generate a personal development plan for addressing post registration development.

Practice Placement 4 recommended reading list


