Practice Certificate in Independent Prescribing MSAP4022 and Negotiated Learning MSAP4080 (Health Assessment)

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Credits
Practice Certificate in Independent Prescribing - Level 7, 40 Credits
Negotiated Learning – Level 7, 20 Credits

Dates – Semester 1
Prescribing Induction Day – 22 September 2017
25, 27, 29 September 2017
9, 11, 13, 16, 17, 18 October 2017
13, 14, 15, 16, 17 November 2017
4, 6, 8 December 2017
4, 5, 11 January 2018

Dates – Semester 2
Prescribing Induction Day – 19 January 2018
29, 31 January 2018
2, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16 February 2018
5, 6, 7, 8, 9 March 2018
16, 19, 20 April 2018
14, 15, 17 May 2018

Assessment:
Formative and summative, which include: An unseen examination, two Objective Structured Clinical Examinations, seminar, 4,000 word portfolio of evidence and 3,000 word reflective case study.

How to apply
You need to complete the following application forms:
• A University of Worcester application form
• Regional Prescribing Application Form

For GPhC entry requirements, see: http://www.pharmacyregulation.org/education/pharmacist-independent-prescriber/entry-requirements

How to apply
Please contact Work Based Learning Support Administrator on tel: 01905 542705 or e-mail: wblso@worc.ac.uk

To enrol or to check availability
Please contact Registry Admissions, Team C on tel: 01905 855111 or e-mail: admissions@worc.ac.uk

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This programme of preparation aims to equip pharmacists with the knowledge and skills to undertake a holistic health assessment and become safe clinically competent and cost effective prescribers.

Rationale
As healthcare provision changes to meet the needs of the population, practitioners are crossing professional boundaries to meet these demands.

The existing expertise of the experienced pharmacist professional combined with physical assessment, diagnostic and prescribing skills can produce an efficient, effective practitioner capable of delivering patient care and access to medicines in a way that is timely, safe, cost effective and clinically appropriate.

These level 7 modules are equivalent to 60 CAT points. They will sit within MSc Advancing Practice and require a high level of critical analysis, synthesis and dissemination of practice.

Topics include:
Communication and consultation skills, history taking and physical examination, clinical decision making, differential diagnosis, assessment of minor injury & illness, clinical pharmacology and therapeutics, influences on and the psychology of prescribing, professional accountability, legal and ethical considerations.

A range of speakers will be involved in delivering the areas of specialist knowledge.

Entry requirements:
Essential – The GPhC requires that pharmacists applying to undertake an independent prescribing programme must:
• Be a registered pharmacist with GPhC or the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (PSNI)
• Have at least two years' appropriate patient-orientated experience in a UK hospital, community or primary care setting following their pre-registration year
• Have identified an area of clinical practice in which to develop their prescribing skills and have up-to-date clinical, pharmacological and pharmaceutical knowledge relevant to their intended area of prescribing practice
• Demonstrate how they reflect on their own performance and take responsibility for their own CPD

Additionally, the pharmacist should have:
• Identified a designated medical practitioner (DMP), with training and experience appropriate to their clinical mentorship role. The DMP must have agreed to provide supervision, support and shadowing opportunities for the student, and be familiar with the GPhC’s requirements and learning outcomes for the programme.
• Funding and Line Manager approval
• Current DBS check