



### Master in Physiotherapy (MPT)

### **Information Seminar (2023/24)**

Dr Shirley Ngai MPT program leader Department of Rehabilitation Sciences The Hong Kong Polytechnic University 21 July 2023

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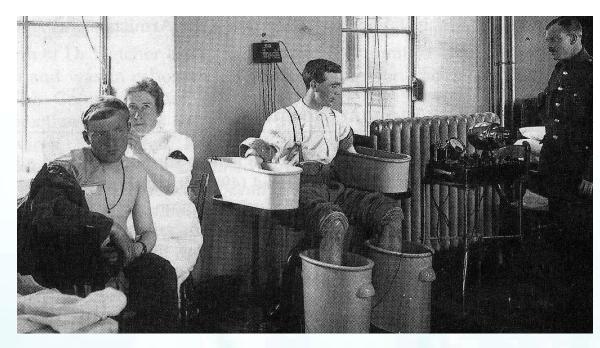
14:30	Welcoming Address	Dr Shirley NGAI (MPT Programme Leader, PolyU)
14:35	Introduction on MPT Programme	Dr Shirley NGAI
14:50	Introduction on MOT Programme	Dr Sam CHAN (MOT Programme Leader, PolyU)
15:05	Brief Introduction on Application Procedures	Ms Bernice CHAN
15:15	Introduction on Training Sponsorship Scheme	Ms CHAU Wai Man (Senior Social Work Officer, Social Welfare Department) Ms CHENG Ching Yin (Social Work Officer, Social Welfare Department ) Ms CHIU Suk May (Social Work Officer, Social Welfare Department )
15:30	Q&A Session	ALL
16:05	Closing Remarks and Group Photo	Dr Sam CHAN
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### **Formative Years of Physiotherapy**

2<sup>nd</sup> World Wars & the polio epidemics in early 1900s established the value of Physiotherapy in Rehabilitation



Barclay J (1994) In Good Hands - the History of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy 1894-1994. Oxford: Butterworth-Heinemann Ltd.



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# Physiotherapy in Hong Kong- 60s - 70s







## Physiotherapy services – 2023 ...





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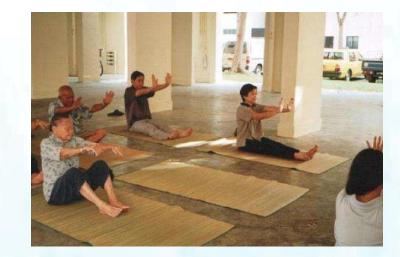
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# **Physiotherapy**

Preventing injuries, restoring independence, and promoting a maximal level of function to people with physical dysfunctions and mental health problems











# Why MPT in Hong Kong?

### Need to increase student intake.

- Increasing the need of physiotherapy service (ageing population, increased awareness of well-being and quality of health).
- Shortage of physiotherapists across different sectors.
- A need to increase supply of physiotherapy labor force of promising quality in a timely manner.







### **Global Trend**

#### – Canada:

- All PT schools have implemented the MPT program.
- US:
  - All accredited PT programs are at the doctoral level (DPT).

#### – Australia:

 Most schools have implemented the MPT program, with some schools concurrently running the MPT and BSc PT programs.





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### **MPT VS BSc PT?**

### **MPT : Two-year programme**

- Allows an alternative pathway to enter the physiotherapy profession (bachelor degree holders)
- Able to produce physiotherapy graduates in 2 years





# **Programme Curriculum**

### Programme: Master in Physiotherapy (MPT) Since 2012

Mode of attendance : Full-time

Normal duration : 2 years

Total credit requirements : 90 in total

- 23 foundation credits
- 43 professional credits
- 24 clinical credits





### **Programme Curriculum**

### — 6 semesters in 2 years (including 2 summer semesters)

# Professional content and clinical education hours (more than 1,000 hours) \*not less than the BSc (Hons) PT program





### **Clinical Education**

Course	Setting
RS5331 (CE-I)	HA (in-patient/ extended rehabilitation)
RS5335 (CE-V)	NGO (Community-based)
RS5336 (CE-VI)	NGO (Community-based)
RS5332 (CE-II)	HA (in-patient/ extended rehabilitation)
RS5333 (CE-III)	HA (Out-patient/community)
RS5334 (CE-IV)	HA (Out-patient/community)





# **Entrance Requirements**

- Have obtained credits in each of the following pre-requisite university undergraduate-level courses before admission:
  - Human Physiology (3 credits or equivalent)
    Human Anatomy (3 credits or equivalent)
- Student intake: 48 (subject to final confirmation)
  Have a Bachelor's degree





# **Entrance Requirements**

### - English Requirement

If applicants are not native speakers of English, and their Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualifications were awarded by institutions where the medium of instruction is not English, applicants are expected to fulfill the following minimum English language requirement for admission purpose.

A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 80 for the Internet-based test or 550 for the paper-based test;
 OR

An overall Band Score of at least 6 in the International English
Language Testing (IELTS)





# **Professional Recognition**

- MPT graduates can apply for registration with the Physiotherapists Board of Hong Kong
- Curriculum covers all essential subject areas required for entry level physiotherapy education





# **Professional Recognition**

Registration with Physiotherapists Board of Hong Kong was approved in December 2015 under the Guidelines for Handling Applications for Registration under section 12 (1)(a) of the Supplementary Medical Professions Ordinance.

The MPT graduates are fully eligible to apply for registration and practice in Hong Kong.





### **Timeline of 8th MPT Cohort**

Month	Task
21 July 2023	MPT Information Seminar
31 July – 14 August 2023	Online application period
September 2023	Invite shortlisted applicants to interview by email
Late September 2023	Selection interview
October 2023	<ul> <li>Announcement of application result on e-Admission system</li> <li>Acceptance of offer and settle registration fee and caution money</li> </ul>
October 2023	SWD provides the NGOs list to successful applicants via RS Dept.
November 2023	NGOs recruitment
December 2023	Programme registration
Early January 2024	Registration of successful applicants as MPT students
15 January 2024	<ul> <li>Commencement of study for 8<sup>th</sup> Cohort of MPT students</li> </ul>
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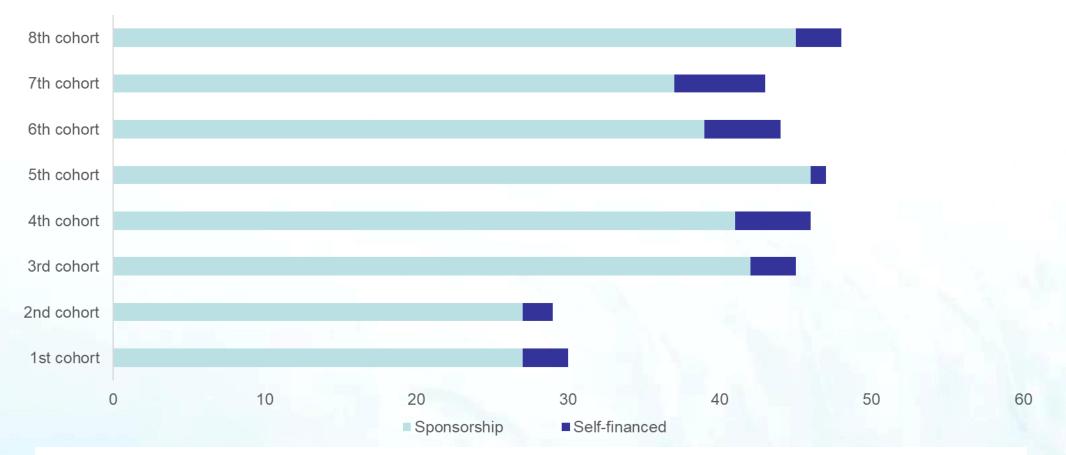
# **Tuition Fee**

- A total of HKD\$660,000 for 2 years (4 instalments: HKD\$165,000 each)
- Students can apply for Training Sponsorship Scheme offered by Social Welfare Department (SWD).
- Students with sponsorship will have to settle the tuition fee by themselves first, and then reimburse from the NGO.





### SWD Training Sponsorship in Previous Cohorts



Note: Successful applicants who join Training Sponsorship Scheme funded by SWD are not eligible to apply for Extended Non-means-tested Loan Scheme (ENLS).



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# **Our graduates**



