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## The University of Going Places!



The University of Derby has risen three places in The Guardian University Guide from 29th to 26th place – its highest ever ranking.

As well as being ranked in the Top 30, Derby has been placed joint third out of 121 institutions for the number of students satisfied with teaching quality – a jump of 18 places in the league table for the metric.

At the point of writing this article, we currently have in excess of 15 applications for our OH SCPHN courses at both Level 6 and 7 and across full and part time. We are also seeing an influx of other SCPHN registrants wanting to migrate over to the OH part of the register and we are able to help with this level 7, 20 credit module. It does not lead to an annotated note on Part 3 of the register but you do get the same benefit by virtue of full accreditation as an OH SCPHN.

The SCPHN programme here at The University of Derby is taught alongside the other SCPHN disciplines and this has come under fire

of late from a National perspective but we embrace the co-education of the disciplines to add depth and meaning to our students experience. Occupational Health is woven throughout the course and not concentrated to one module. There are discipline specific lectures and OH input for every module.

Occupational Health is really important to us here and we want to share our passion with all the disciplines. In fact, as an OH Senior Lecturer, I also teach Health Visitor, School Nurse and District Nurse Students on all 4 core modules. To keep myself up to date, I am still working in clinical practice for 3 days per week and keep myself right

up there with Occupational Health issues in the NHS and the wider work community.

## The Course

Our core modules are:

### 1. Principles of Practice Assessment

This module aims to support and facilitate OH practitioners to be flexible and knowledgeable in their assessments of their patients/clients/service users. It is designed to assist OH practitioners to work with individuals of all age groups, families and communities (work and the wider community), and help them recognise and positively

influence factors that impact on health using a holistic approach.

### 2. Leading for Quality

There is considerable emphasis on the need for good leadership and management within health services. Key themes within health services including governance, quality and efficiency have come to the fore in relation to the commissioning agenda and the need to demonstrate the provision of services that are clinically effective, patient centred and cost-effective. New services and ways of working are required to meet new demands and challenges in health care. There is increasing evidence that good clinical leader-

ship is essential to securing and delivering the services required and to maintain quality during times of significant change.

### 3. Evidenced Based Project

Evidence Based Practice is a major theme in health policy and practice. This module was designed to enable students to become skilled users of evidence, enabling them to lead, support, supervise and manage practice based projects in order to both develop and deliver the best possible care to patients/clients/workers in practice.

### 4. Public Health and Health Improvement

The aim of the module is to introduce you to the main

principles of public health and health improvement and to help you understand the relevance of these strategies and policies to the OH area of practice or interest. You will be given the opportunity to discuss public health and the issues surrounding public health practice within critical theoretical and scholarly frameworks and further applying the knowledge gained to your practice settings. group will be examined specifically. Emphasis is placed on how we assess need in public health practice and your assessment will bring together all aspects of the module.

### 5. Plus your choice of 2

### Option Modules

We have many option modules on offer:

- Principles of Long Term Conditions Management
- Ergonomics in Practice
- Ethical and Legal Issues in Healthcare Policy and Practice
- V300 Non-medical Prescribing (Counts as 2 modules)

If you are as excited as we are about this course, please call me for further details.

Please get your applications in soon as our next interview day is Thursday 17th July 2019. The course starts on September 2nd 2019.

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### Application Links:

BSc (Hons):  
<https://www.derby.ac.uk/undergraduate/nursing-courses/specialist-community-public-health-nursing-bsc-hons/>

PG Dip:  
<https://www.derby.ac.uk/postgraduate/nursing-health-care-practice-courses/specialist-community-public-health-nursing-msc/>

Migration to OH:  
<https://www.derby.ac.uk/short-courses-cpd/health-and-social-care/>