

**BSc (Hons.) Integrated Degree Apprenticeship in Occupational Therapy at  
Coventry University  
2021/22**

**Recommended academic entry requirements**

Thank you for your interest in the BSc (Hons.) Integrated Degree Occupational Therapy course at Coventry University. This factsheet to guide those applying to or shortlisting for the IDA Occupational Therapy degree course.

**PLEASE NOTE:** We do accept NVQs or other portfolio, work-based vocational/competence-based qualifications such as City and Guilds on their own, as we have found that they do not give the candidate adequate preparation for academic study at degree level. They will only be considered alongside level 3 qualifications with an academic focus, such as A-levels, BTEC Nationals, or Access course.

**Employers' checklist:**

Please ensure that you have completed the following steps before referring your potential candidates to us.

Check that your employee meets the entry requirements, using the attached information. We can help with any questions at <a href="mailto:otapprenticeships.hls@coventry.ac.uk">otapprenticeships.hls@coventry.ac.uk</a> ;	
Check that you have a contract in place.	
That you have, if needed, gone through an internal selection process and that your employee has thought through how they will manage both work and student life over the next few years.	
Apprentices must be able to evidence team working ability, professional engagement, motivation, communication skills (verbal and written) and evidence of personal and professional values	
The applicant has not studied a qualifying occupational therapy course before	
The applicant will be contracted to work 35 hours per week (contact us if not, as this has implications for placement)	
The applicant is/will be working alongside an occupational therapist.	

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

**Applicants without a prior degree**

All candidates must show evidence of recent, accredited and completed academic study at level 3 within the past 5 years.

**Postgraduate Applicants**

Normally a minimum of a 2:2 Honours degree in a relevant subject, completed within the past 10 years.

## **Maths and English**

Applicants will need to evidence Maths and English GCSE at Grade C (4), or equivalent (such as Functional Skills Level 2). This can be completed before the End Point Assessment, but it is recommended that it is in place before starting the course. If applicants are unable to find their certificates, they will need to re-take these qualifications.

## **Acceptable Level 3 academic qualifications:**

*The qualifications framework is very complex and there is a huge variety of diplomas etc., out there, so this list is not definitive. If in doubt, please get in touch with the admissions team ([otapprenticeships.hls@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:otapprenticeships.hls@coventry.ac.uk)) and we will be happy to advise you.*

## **GCE A-Level**

A-level applicants are typically required to have three A2 levels (but we may accept two A-levels), completed within the past five years, at Grade C or above.

## **BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care, Society, Health and Development, Science or equivalents**

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma is accepted. We also accept the BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma and BTEC Level 3 Diploma for entry to degree programmes, provided that they are studied in combination with other qualifications that provide a total volume of study that is equivalent to three A2 Levels. For example, you could be studying a BTEC Level 3 Diploma plus an A2 Level, or a BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma plus two A2 Levels. A minimum grade of a merit should be achieved.

**Access to HE Diploma in a health and social care related subject** Full award (60 credits) of which a minimum of 45 must be at Level 3 (with the remainder at Level 2). Applicants should have a minimum of merit grades in all modules.

## **Foundation Year**

Foundation degrees will be reviewed on an individual basis and will require a transcript of the content of the course.

## **Open University**

Open University Level 1 courses in relevant areas (health & social care, science) are accepted.

**Other academic qualifications:** Qualifications that are not listed will be considered on an individual basis, but should be equivalent in terms of level of study, type of study and number of credits/learning hours to the examples above.

## **Level 3 (Advanced) Apprenticeship**

Accepted.

## **Additional information:**

It is not possible for any apprentice to enrol onto this Occupational Therapy Course if they are undertaking any academic course at the beginning of the apprenticeship. All courses must be ended and the candidate must be unenrolled from any other courses before the beginning of the Apprenticeship, usually mid-September.

## Appendix 2 – Physiotherapy Entry Information (Coventry)

### BSC (HONS.) INTEGRATED DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP - PHYSIOTHERAPY – 2019-20 RECOMMENDED ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Thank you for your interest in the BSc (Hons) Integrated Degree Physiotherapy course at Coventry University.

This table is for guidance about normal practice and is not intended to be a definitive outline. Offers and entry requirements are tailored for each individual applicant and may therefore vary from the examples given.

PERSONAL PROFILE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate therapy position either within a therapy team or working with physiotherapists.</li> <li>• Evidence of understanding and application of NHS standards and values including care and compassion.</li> <li>• Evidence of IT skills, problem solving and interpersonal skills development is valuable.</li> <li>• Indications of good citizenship and evidence of ongoing CPD.</li> </ul>
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QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENTS
GCSE	Maths and English GCSE at Grade C (4), or equivalent. Functional skills of this level are accepted.
GCE A LEVEL	To achieve a minimum of profile of <b>Grades ABB</b> in 3 subjects completed to A level. A2 subjects must include a <b>Biological Science</b> (with a <b>Pass</b> in the practical component) <b>or P.E.</b> but exclude <b>General Studies</b> .
FOUNDATION YEAR (0)	<p>Applicants must have met GCSE requirements and successfully completed study and <b>passed</b> 3 A2 levels (or equivalents) including a biological science with a <b>Pass</b> in the practical component.</p> <p>To pass all Foundation modules with a minimum mean mark of 60% and attain a minimum <b>overall mark of 75%</b> from the current year of study.</p>

BTEC LEVEL3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA (18)	For BTEC qualifications, Sport and Exercise Science will be considered BUT Sports Development and Performance is <b>NOT</b> considered.  Passes in all 18 units of a biological science or health related course at merit or distinction level to gain an overall profile of D*D*D Plus an additional A level Biology at grade B with a Pass in the practical component.
BTEC LEVEL3 DIPLOMA (12)	Passes in all 12 units of a biological science or health related course at merit or distinction level to gain an overall profile of D*D* plus an additional concurrent relevant GCE A level attained at B grade profile with a Pass in the practical component.
BTEC LEVEL3 SUBSIDIARY DIPLOMA (6)	Passes in all 6 units of a biological science or health related course at minimum merit or distinction level to gain an overall profile of D* plus TWO concurrent relevant GCE A levels attained at AB grade profile with a Pass in the practical component.
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE	In the Diploma programme, 3 subjects including a biological science must be taken at Higher Level (HL) with a further 3 subjects at Standard Level (SL). An overall minimum of 34 points should be gained with a minimum grade 6 to be achieved in each Higher Level subject.
EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE	80% overall with a minimum 80% in a biological science option.
FRENCH BACCALAUREATE	Baccalaureate Generale Science in at least 8 academic subjects, to include maths, physics, chemistry and biology. Minimum overall score of 17/20 plus 'Tres Bien' mention
SCOTTISH ADVANCED HIGHERS.	3 subjects must be completed to Advanced Highers (AH) level to attain a minimum of ABB profile including a biological science.
IRISH LEAVING CERTIFICATE	6 Leaving Certificate papers at Higher Level, taken in one sitting, to gain 4A and 2B grades profile. (New Tariff H22233) Two science subjects including a biological science at a minimum of A2. (New Tariff H2)
CAMBRIDGE PRE-U DIPLOMA	A minimum of 331 points (grades M1(A), M1(A), M2(B)) should be attained from the Principal Subjects including a biological science.
WELSH BACCALAUREATE	A pass at grade A in the Welsh Baccalaureate must be accompanied by at least 2 A levels at grades AB, one of which must be in a biological science with a Pass in the practical component.

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Applicants over the age of 21yrs.	Combinations of various qualifications are considered but should normally equate to the examples given. It is essential for all applicants to hold a minimum of 2 GCSEs in Maths and English at grade C (4) or an equivalent functional skill qualifications in Maths and English.
BTEC HIGHER NATIONAL	CERTIFICATE (HNC) - In a health related or science course, all 8 units to be achieved with either merit or distinction. A minimum of 75% of units (6 units) should be at distinction level or a minimum mean mark of 70%. DIPLOMA (HND) - In a health related or science course, all 16 units to be achieved with merit or distinction. A minimum of 75% of units (12 units) should be at distinction or a minimum mean mark of 65%.
NVQ	Pass NVQ level III in Allied Health Profession Support: Physiotherapy; plus Grade B in GCE A level Biology or Human Biology, normally both to be studied and completed concurrently.
FETAC	Successful completion of FETAC course Level 5 gaining a minimum of Merit in all modules. A minimum of 75% of relevant modules (6) must be at Distinction level. Plus successful completion of Irish Leaving Certificate in a Biological Science at a minimum grade B1 In addition, Irish Junior Certificates in Maths and English must be held at grade B1 or above.
ACCESS DIPLOMA	Normally in a relevant health or biological science QAA approved ACCESS DIPLOMA Course. To Pass the Access Diploma with a minimum of 45 credits at level 3 in science or health science related topics at merit and distinction level. 42 of these level 3 credits must be at Distinction grade.
POSTGRADUATE APPLICANTS	Normally a minimum of a 2:1 Honours degree in a relevant subject  If the degree is not in a relevant subject, or was taken over three years ago, applicants may be asked to successfully complete an Access course before the physiotherapy apprenticeship course begins.
APPRENTICESHIPS	We do accept the Level 3 Apprenticeship in SENIOR HEALTHCARE SUPPORT WORKER (Institute of Apprenticeship reference number: ST0217. Candidates must have carried out the optional module 6 - allied health profession – therapy support, which contains the appropriate amount of biology/ physiology and anatomy required as a basis for our course. Applicants need to have achieved a Distinction in this qualification.

All candidates must show evidence of recent accredited academic study – within the last 3 years

Applicants must already hold GCSE English and Maths at minimum grade C (4).

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**English as a Foreign Language:** an overall IELTS score of 7.0, with no component below 6.5. All applicants who are selected after application, will be invited to attend for interview.

All applicants who are successful at interview, will be required to undergo an Enhanced DBS check to test their Criminal Record status.

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