513-688 Clinical Paediatric Physiotherapy

Credit Points 12.5

Semester 1

Prerequisites For Postgraduate Certificate – 513-699 Physiotherapy Professional Portfolio

Corequisites For Master by Coursework - 513-669 Paediatric Physiotherapy Theory

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Contact 21 hours of tutorials and 30 hours of clinical placement during the semester

Non Contact Requirement Students are expected to undertake a number of hours of self directed learning in this subject. Approximately 70 hours of self directed learning is suggested.

Description This subject will develop clinical skills in the management of paediatric conditions and focuses on overall patient management rather than "hands-on" physiotherapy treatment. Students have two weeks clinical placement that includes two days attending clinics at the Royal Children's Hospital. Students prepare a case study for presentation at the end of the course.

Assessment Written assignment of 2,000 words due mid-semester (40%), case presentation due end of semester (20%), clinical practice journal due end of semester (20%), continuous clinical assessment 20%

Prescribed Texts Nil

Subject Objectives
Generic Skills
On completion of the subject, students will be expected to be able to demonstrate the following generic skills:

- The ability to clearly research, articulate and present a complex case study.
- Effective and sensitive participation as part of a team that advocates for the well-being of the child and that appreciates the structure, culture and goals of the family.
- An appreciation and capacity to manage competing demands on time, including self-directed professional development

Specific Skills
On completion of the subject, students will be expected to be able to demonstrate the following specific skills:

- Critical decision-making and clinical reasoning skills for the management of paediatric conditions.
- An understanding of patient management in the context of the child's developmental stage and the family.
- The knowledge and ability to perform paediatric physiotherapy competencies standards at a high level accepted by the profession.
- A well-developed problem solving ability in paediatric physiotherapy clinical practice, characterised by a flexible approach.