



MSc Advanced Physiotherapy

Personal Statement Guidance

To gain a place on the **MSc Advanced Physiotherapy**, you'll have to submit a personal statement and meet our entry requirements when you apply.

Within your personal statement (up to 500 words), we'll want to understand:

- What motivates you and what undergraduate and post qualification clinical experience you have had.
- What are your clinical interests.
- What continuing professional development (CPD) courses you have attended post-graduation and how these have helped you.
- What are your future career goals.
- Why you have chosen to apply to the University of Salford and the MSc Advanced Physiotherapy programme.

You should also provide a CV and two references (at least one should be an academic reference) provided on letterhead paper, signed, and dated.

As English qualifications are an essential entry criteria for the programme, special attention should be paid to your writing style and expression in the statement, avoiding grammatical and spelling errors.

Greater depth to assist applicants:

Why you have chosen to apply to the University of Salford and the MSc Advanced Physiotherapy?

- An understanding of where Salford is geographically located would assist your application reflecting your research on the institution.
- Tailor your personal statement to the institution and programme that you are applying for. You can provide specific examples in order to demonstrate your extensive research into the programme and the institution you have applied to. You can make reference to any of the following, to name but a few: course content, facilities, teaching staff or the scholarships available to international students etc.
- Please write the content in your own words, as this aids the flow of your personal statement.
- Please use clear and concise paragraphs in your personal statement- bullet point answers are not acceptable.
- The personal statement is limited to 500 words! This should focus on what continuing professional development courses you have attended and how these have helped you.
- What are your future career goals? Avoid statements such as "I look forward to working within the NHS" or "I wish to be part of the UK health system" as these may raise concerns during the CAS process.

CV: Please include the dates of your roles and list your responsibilities. If this is not done it may slow the assessment process, where clarification is required.

The CV should also include:

- Any courses/conferences/workshops you participated.
- The dates of attendance.

Two references - where possible, these should be:

- In a non-editable format (i.e. pdf)
- On letter-headed paper
- Dated and signed by your referee
- Including your referee's contact information (i.e. email address, contact number)
- Supportive of your application to study at the University of Salford