

Study with us

About your course

Courses covered

Code	Title
LMPYAS	MSc Physician Associate Studies

You can find full details of your course in the ***Programme Specification***.

Important points

This course prepares students for the Faculty of Physician Associates national examination and subsequent registration as a Physician Associate.

If you wish to take the national examination after you graduate, then an examination entry fee is payable to the Faculty of Physician Associates – this is not included in your degree programme.

The programme is a Masters level programme however students who fail to achieve the 180 credits required for a Masters may still exit with a Diploma in Physician Associate Studies which will allow them to sit the national exams.

The course contains multiple extended clinical placements in both years of the programme in both primary, secondary care and mental health.

- You will be subject to Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks and Occupational Health (OH) Screening:
- Non-disclosure of any criminal activity prior to or during your studies may lead to you being withdrawn from your programme, as outlined in the School's Disclosure and Barring Service Procedure;
- You can find the current version of the School's Disclosure and Barring Service Procedure using https://www.herts.ac.uk/about-us/governance/university-policies-and-regulations-uprs/lms/_recache
- You will be expected to adhere to the GMC professional code of practice at all times. You will also be expected to comply with the 'Principles of Professional Behaviour expected of Students' as outlined in [UPR SA15 \(Student Fitness to Practice\)](#).
- Please read these documents carefully before accepting your offer and let us know if you have any questions about anything contained in them.

This course has a strict attendance policy unless exceptional circumstances are provided.

You will have to meet critical pass competency and progression standards in assessments throughout the programme.

The programme currently attracts funding of £5000 from Health Education England towards course fees for the entire programme.

Academic Year

Academic Year 2023 – 2024

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters. Normally most undergraduate programmes use Semesters A and B, additionally postgraduate programmes and specific undergraduate programmes use Semester C. Each of these is made up of teaching weeks followed by exams (the re-sit period falls within Semester C).

- Semester A runs from Monday 4 September 2023 to Friday 19 January 2024
- Semester B runs from Monday 22 January 2024 to Friday 10 May 2024
- Semester C runs from Monday 13 May 2024 to Friday 6 September 2024

Course holidays will be aligned with placement and teaching requirements and not necessarily with general university dates.

Additional expenses

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
Travel costs for placements	All	Mandatory	Dependent on location