

## Neurophysiology PgCert

Study the Neurophysiology Postgraduate Certificate (PgCert) at Aston University to become more autonomous in your role and to develop the ability to evaluate and improve services for patients.

### **Location: Aston University, Birmingham**

Course type

Part-time, Online / distance learning

Course format

No placements

Duration

1 year

UCAS code(s)

n/a

Start date

Overview

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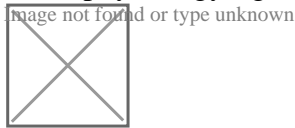
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A postgraduate degree is a great way to improve your career prospects. As well as opening doors, it builds on your experience, develops your skills, and gives you a competitive edge in a crowded job market.

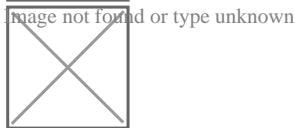
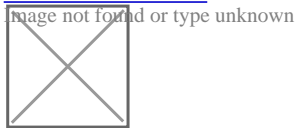
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- [Flexible: gain a postgraduate certificate, diploma or masters qualification while you continue to work](#)
- [Advance your skills to enhance the treatment of patients and gain a deeper understanding clinical neurophysiology practice](#)
- [All modules can be taken independently as continuing professional development](#)

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## Course outline and modules

The content of all modules is available by distance / blended learning, allowing you flexibility in how you study.

Core modules

- Introduction to Healthcare and Professional Practice (15 credits)
- Evidence-based Practice (15 credits)
- Professional Communication in Healthcare (15 credits)

You will take one of these two specialist modules:

- Nerve Conduction and Evoked Potentials (15 credits)
- Advanced EEG (15 credits) – to take this module it is mandatory previous knowledge of basic EEG as the topics in this module are on advanced EEG.

## Entry requirements

**Mode of delivery:** Part-time, blended learning. While all teaching and learning materials are hosted online, students are expected to attend live activities (synchronously online or on-campus) such as lectures, seminars, and/or presentations according to the timetable.

### Entry requirements:

- Candidates should be employed in clinical neurophysiology departments or related services
- A first or upper-second-class honours degree in a life sciences-based subject. When the degree or qualification has been obtained outside the UK, it should be deemed at least of equivalent standing - find

out more on our Aston in your country pages.

- UK applications are welcome from in-service neurophysiology staff who do not meet the academic requirements. Candidates should have a minimum of six months of service within a Neurophysiology department before starting the programme with exposure to the investigations within the selected module. Applicants will need a recommendation or supporting letter from their head of department.
- Applicants whose first language is not English will be required to provide evidence of an English language qualification. English language test requirements may be waived if students' undergraduate degree was studied in an English-speaking country. Find out more about our English language requirements.

The information on this website details the typical entry requirements for this course for the most commonly offered qualifications. Applicants with alternative qualifications may wish to enquire with the relevant admissions teams before applying whether or not their qualifications are deemed acceptable. Less commonly encountered qualifications will be judged on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the academic admissions tutor.

Duration: 1 year

Start dates: September 2024

## **Learning, teaching, and assessment**

All teaching and learning materials are hosted on Blackboard – a virtual teaching environment - as you will be taught via a blended learning approach combining individual and directed learning with scheduled seminars and workshops to complement your learning. You will be provided with a clear plan per study module with assessments aligned to the module learning outcomes.

It will be the candidate's responsibility to negotiate the studies days and attendance to the program activities with his/her department.

Dedicated support systems are in place from across the University, and this program benefits from a guest lecture series. Your scheduled time on campus provides you with the opportunity to discuss learning and participate in group activities.

Although this will depend upon the individual, a typical student can expect to spend around 10 hours a week throughout the duration of the course, equivalent to 500 hours of study in total.

Modules are primarily assessed via coursework, so you can benchmark your abilities early on and develop your skills in managing your learning.

Programme director: Dr Valia Rodríguez-Rodríguez

Teaching staff:

Core Modules

- Nisha Dhanda
- Zahra Gill

- Dr Amanda Hall
- Saira Hussain
- Dr Helen Pryce

#### Neurophysiology Modules

- Peter Bill
- Dr Andrew Lawley
- William McDevitt
- Dr Valia Rodríguez-Rodríguez
- Prof. Stefano Seri

## Fees

(2024/25)

**UK:** £3,900

**International:** £7,000

## Career prospects

The Neurophysiology PgCert programme is designed for individuals already in professional practice seeking to advance their skills to enhance the diagnosis and treatment of patients and gain a deeper understanding of their clinical neurophysiology practice area or develop knowledge in new areas.

Demands for assessment and treatment services are set to rise substantially over the coming years. As a graduate of this course, you will be well-placed to develop careers in hospitals, community-based practice, and related research areas. Previous graduates have become advanced practitioners or service section leaders.

The programme is designed to meet the NHS's requirements and builds on Aston's established links and extensive experience in health education.

## Speak to our Admissions Team

If you have any questions about the application process please get in touch with our postgraduate admissions team:

Email: [professionalcpd@aston.ac.uk](mailto:professionalcpd@aston.ac.uk)

Call: 0121 204 3200 (Please note this line is open Monday-Friday between 10am-4pm BST)

[Please click here](#) for guidance on completing the postgraduate application.

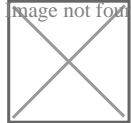
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