BSC (HONS) OPERATING DEPARTMENT PRACTITIONER

If you are passionate about delivering high-quality care to surgical patients within the operating room and associated care settings, our Operating Department Practitioner (ODP) degree is for you.

Level 6 · Bachelor's Degree · Truro College

TOP COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES | LEARN FROM CLINICAL EXPERTS | GAIN TRAINING IN AN IN-DEMAND SECTOR

DEMONSTRATE YOUR SKILLS IN A PLACEMENT

You will complete clinical placements alongside your studies, giving you a chance to demonstrate the knowledge you've learned in the classroom in the workplace.

FANTASTIC LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

You will learn in our simulation suite, giving you the opportunity to practice before you enter the working environment.

REGISTER WITH HCPC

Graduates of this course will be eligible to apply for registration with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) as a registered Operating Department Practitioner.

WHY CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

This BSc (Hons) Operating Department Practitioner course will prepare you to provide high standards of care to patients undergoing surgery. You will learn to work with a team of highly skilled Surgeons, Anaesthetists and other multi-disciplinary team in the Operating Department at the NHS Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust and the Independent Duchy Hospital.

This course combines academic and clinical practice which allows you to put your learning into practice and develop the skills required to care for patients, primarily in the operating department.

Some students will have the opportunity to complete a Surgical First Assistant Skills endorsement and develop specialist skills to assist surgeons during surgery. Graduates of this course will be eligible to apply for registration with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) as a registered Operating Department Practitioner.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

In Year 1 we will prepare you to practise safely in the operating theatre department. You'll be able to identify and develop the required skills, knowledge and professional attitude in relation to professional practice and academic skills. You'll also develop a sound understanding of anatomy, physiology and pharmacology. In Year 2 you will learn to apply your knowledge and skills during the patient's perioperative journey, including a range of emergency patient situations. You will build upon your knowledge of normal anatomy and physiology by learning about pathophysiology and how illness impacts upon the body. In Year 3 you will develop specialist skills in critical care in addition to surgical first assistant skills. We will prepare you to transition into a registered Operating Department Practitioner who is eligible to register with the Health and

Care Professions Council (HCPC) Graduates will be eligible to apply for professional registration as an Operating Department Practitioner with the Health and Care Professions Council and to commence your career as a registered Operating Department Practitioner. ODP graduates can also pursue higher degrees at Master's and PhD level.

WHERE WILL IT TAKE ME?

Graduates will be eligible to apply for professional registration as an Operating Department Practitioner with the Health and Care Professions Council and to commence your career as a registered Operating Department Practitioner. ODP graduates can also pursue higher degrees at Master's and PhD level.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You should normally hold 3 GCSEs including English Language 4/C and Maths 4/C or Level 2 from a pre-2014 Access course or Functional skills Level 2 or IELTS of 7.0 (with minimum of 6.5 in each skill) and maths or equivalents. And 112 UCAS points. We also accept:

- BTEC/National Diploma
- International Baccalaureate
- Advanced and Progression Diplomas
- Access courses
- NVQ (Level 3)
- Diploma in Health and Social Care (Level 3)
- Foundation degrees

You will also need to:

- Attend an interview at a Selection Day
- Demonstrate appropriate healthcare experience through work shadowing or observation either voluntary or paid is encouraged
- Provide a professional/academic reference
- Complete a Suitability Declaratio
- If you were educated in a language other than English and/or in a country where English speakers are in a minority, you should have a minimum IELTS score of 7.0 or an equivalent rating in another Secure English Language Test.

IMPORTANT

Course information can change. Please use the QR code below for the current assessment arrangements, entry requirements and start dates.

FOR THE LATEST COURSE INFORMATION

Scan for assessment arrangements, learner support, confirmed start dates and how to apply.