



Newsletter Date
Semester 2 2007-08

Interesting Information from Semester II 2007-2008

BSc Hons Clinical Physiology
Course revalidation scheduled
for 2009

28 students in Year 2
22 students in year 3
13 students in year 4

Accreditation for Audiology
specialist option scheduled
December 2008

Developments for CPD/Life
long learning at UU.

Enrollment info
Thursday 18th September 2008
Year 2, room 3A09 11:30am
Year 3 Automatic enrollment
no attendance to UU required
Year 4 room 3A09 2pm

Hello and welcome to the second University of Ulster Clinical Physiology Newsletter. This publication is designed to enhance communication links between the University staff, students and our professional colleagues in ALL Clinical Physiology specialist practice options throughout Northern Ireland.



We are delighted to announce the appointment of Dr Ian Logan as our new Course Director of BSc Hons Clinical Physiology. Dr Logan has been involved with this course since its inception 1995. He has consistently worked towards enhancing the profile of the clinical professionals involved in clinical physiology at local and national level. Dr Logan is an active member of ACPE, Association of Clinical Physiology Educators, established by the University of Ulster, which is a UK wide organisation bringing together the educational institutions delivering the clinical physiology options. ACPE is active in discussion with the regulatory professional bodies involved with Clinical Physiology and is presently closely involved with regard to future changes.

Dr Logan's lecturing remit includes anatomy and physiology, research design, pathophysiology and clinical examination.

He also is actively involved in the supervision of post graduate research projects at MSc and PhD level and currently sits on the UUJ ethics committee.

Insight Night

A successful "Insight" evening for Clinical Physiology took place in April: all applicants and potential applicants to the Clinical Physiology programme for 2008 were invited and over 180 people attended.

Presentations to welcome the attendees, and to outline the professional activities and career prospects for the clinical disciplines with our degree programme were made by Rosalind Rogers, Head of School of Health and life Sciences and Dr Ian Logan, NEW Course Director of our programme. Following the presentations the students and their parents met the Course Team, Head of School, Clinical colleagues from local hospital trusts and our recent graduates from all physiology disciplines.

The feedback from those attending was very positive and highlighted the value of meeting clinical practitioners to gain insight into what WE actually do! Another event will occur in the Autumn.

We are indebted to our colleagues who helped make the night such a success, they include: Wilson McNair, Diane Lilburn, Barbara McDonald, Shauna Begum, Carrie McCullagh, Joanne Finlay and Bronagh O'Donnell.



What's your say??

When suits you for
WBA training?

What are your issues
with the Degree programme?

Have you any interesting
facts for us to promote?

Contact Cathal Breen
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David Retires

This last semester has
Marked the retirement

Of Dr David Ruddick Course Director BSc Hons. Clinical Physiology and Applied Physiology programmes at UU. David, originally from Leeds came to Northern Ireland in 1972 to take up his first teaching post in what was the Polytechnic before the University of Ulster amalgamation. David had attained a PhD in Chemistry and had worked alongside Bernard Shaw and Geoff Wilkinson Nobel Laureate at Imperial College London.

During his time at the University he has served as Module coordinator for Applied Biochemical Sciences, subject coordinated Chemistry and Combined Sciences programme as well as recently been Course Director for Clinical and Applied Physiology programmes. Interestingly David can claim he taught Pat Sweeney and Dr John Winder who is currently Director of the Research institute at UU!

David has always demonstrated an interest in education and this was no more obvious than when he took a secondment into Educational Technology. He was heavily involved in providing video based learning for laboratory techniques to aid student learning prior to the advent of computer software advances that we are all familiar with today. It is of no real surprise that following from this interest in technology he would go on to receive a distinguished teaching award acknowledging this work. With his active interest in golf and travel it is understandable David will not be at a loose end following retirement and we, the course team, would like to thank him for all his efforts and advice in directing the Physiology programmes

GRADUATION CEREMONY

The biggest highlight of the year for the University is always the graduation ceremony. It is an event to mark all of the hard work and effort dedicated by individual students throughout their 4 years of study. Dr Ian Logan, Dr Ciara Hughes, Jacqui Crawford and Cathal Breen were all in attendance to celebrate the success of all the Clinical Physiology and Applied Physiology graduates

The awards were as such:

First Class Honours

Rachael Elaine Barton
Donna Michelle Conway
Lara Bernadette Grimes
Gemma Mary Ann Smyth

Second Class Honours Upper Division

Kristina Marie Leighton
Catherine Elaine Loughran
Kirsty Ann McCaughey
Deborah Louise McConville
Clare Louise McKenna
Catherine Mary Meenan
Yvonne O'Callaghan
Darren Aldo Joseph Raffo
Niall Totten
Maev Noreen White
Rachel Anderson
Lorraine Glover
Estelle McLaughlin
Ryan Birt
James Campbell
Philip Doherty
Jonathan Phillip Quinn

To recognize the outstanding efforts of students on this programme 4 awards and prizes were presented to Lara Grimes for best placement mark, Rachel Barton for best overall final year mark, Gemma Smyth for best final year research project and Year I student Nicola Calvert for best overall first year mark .



Continuous Professional Development

The University of Ulster recognises life long learning and is currently offering a selection of valued post graduate programmes to encompass the changing demands we as practitioners experience. This is an exciting time for further learning as many colleagues from various health care professions are organising additional modules designed to embrace multi and interdisciplinary learning. To date Cathal has contacted many physiology staff in all of our disciplines asking for information on how best we at the UU can provide appropriate further learning. He is very grateful for all responses to date and encourages those who did not receive a questionnaire to contact him .

Enrolling on the PGD/MSc Health Sciences in Named Awards at UU is now an ONLINE process. Detailed information relating to this can be found at www.ulster.ac.uk/academic/services/student/registration.html and this replaces the need to attend enrolment sessions. To view available modules to study please go to <http://prospectus.ulster.ac.uk/modules>, any module advertised here CAN run, the only factor stopping a module from running is insufficient numbers of students enrolled onto that module. Further information can be attained by contacting the module coordinator for the module of choice or Mr Billy Rea wh.rea@ulster.ac.uk or 02890366155 course director for this programme.

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