



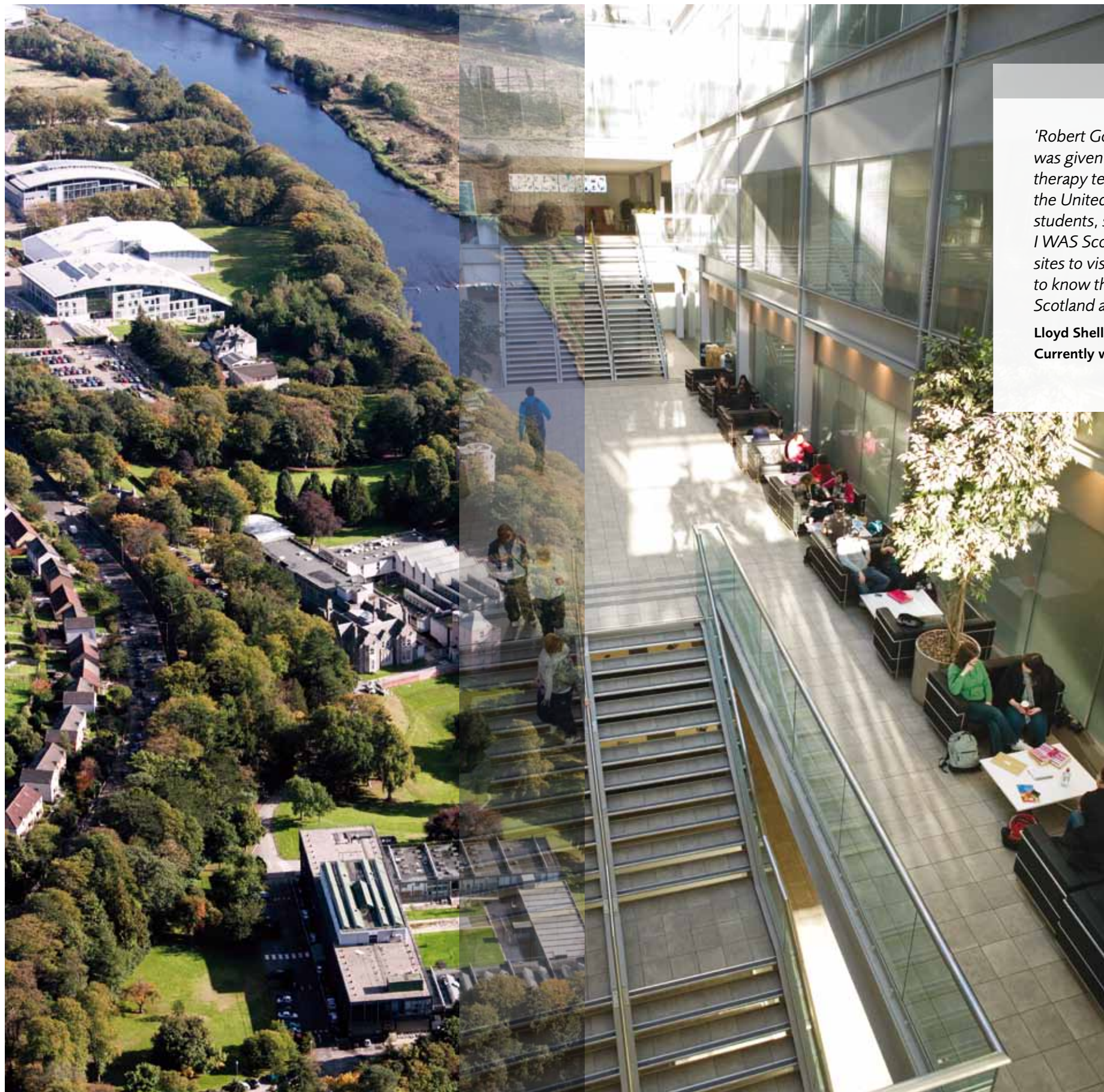
**ROBERT GORDON
UNIVERSITY • ABERDEEN**



STUDY PHYSICAL THERAPY IN SCOTLAND

MSc PHYSIOTHERAPY (pre-Registration)

ROBERT GORDON UNIVERSITY
SCOTLAND, UNITED KINGDOM



'Robert Gordon University was a great place to start my career. I was given the opportunity to learn self reliance, critical thinking and therapy technique in a setting unlike anything I could experience in the United States... I loved Aberdeen, living in the dorms with local students, shopping where the locals shop - for two and a half years I WAS Scottish. There are tons of castles to go see, and historical sites to visit. Instead of being a tourist you are a local, and you get to know the country like they do. I did clinical placements all over Scotland and even in London. I would do it again in a heartbeat'.

**Lloyd Shell - Graduate
Currently working in Utah**

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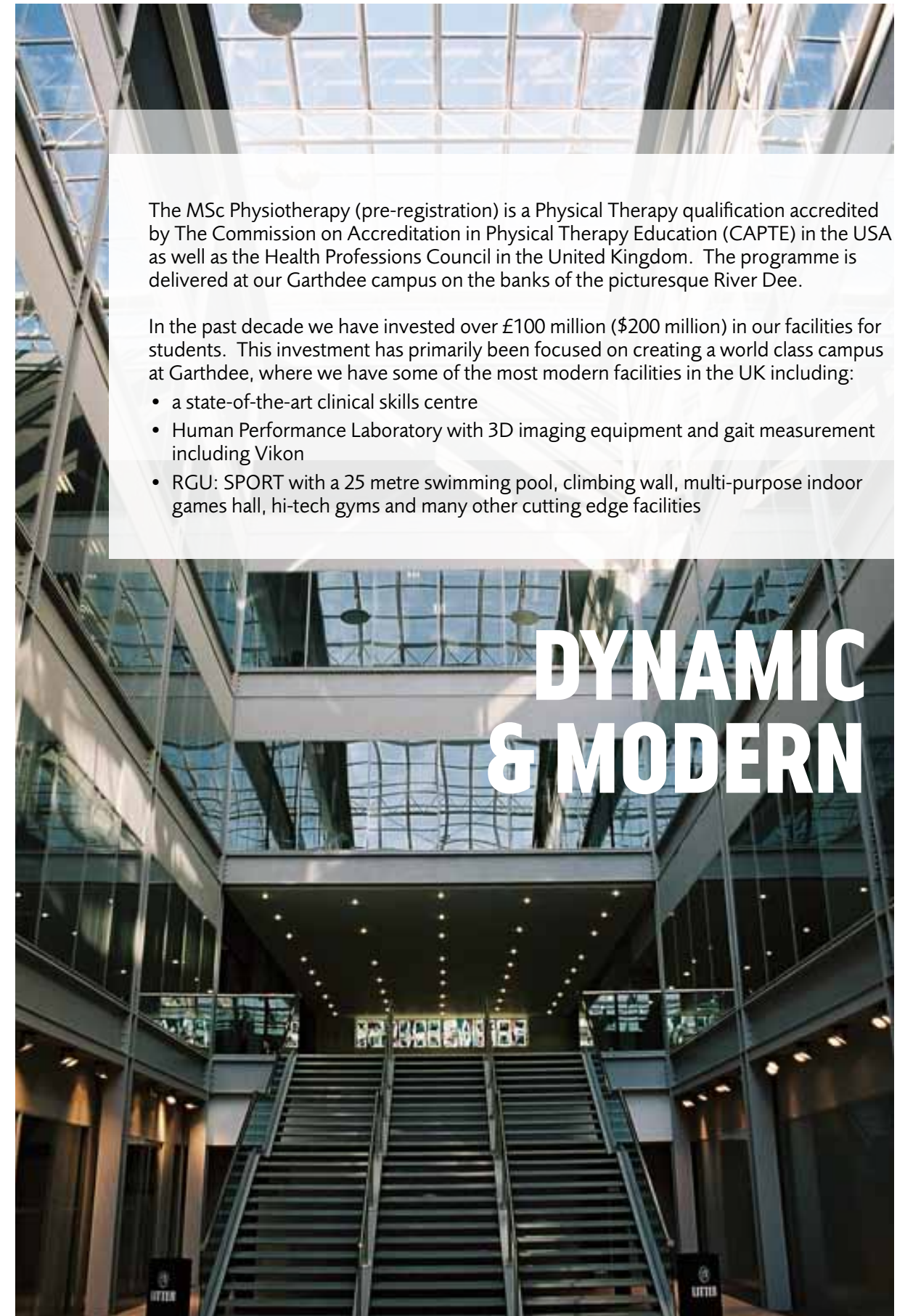


'Choosing Robert Gordon University has proven to be the best decision I have ever made. Aberdeen itself is a welcoming, vibrant community with the perfect mix of culture and student life. It has everything nearby from beaches to theatres to castles.'

'I found getting a job back in America straight forward, mostly due to RGU's excellent reputation for producing quality graduates. I have brought a unique work perspective to my work here in the USA. In this time of healthcare reform, I have become a valuable commodity with my experiences in a different healthcare system. I would highly recommend the Robert Gordon University to students who are ready to take on a challenge, become their best selves, and have a lot of fun while doing it.'

Kitty Boyle– Graduate

At Robert Gordon University in Aberdeen, Scotland we have an excellent international reputation for delivering Physical Therapy training in a dynamic and modern setting. What's more, Aberdeen provides an excellent base for study and has a thriving student community. All our courses are constantly updated to ensure we meet the changing needs of employers and patients.



The MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration) is a Physical Therapy qualification accredited by The Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) in the USA as well as the Health Professions Council in the United Kingdom. The programme is delivered at our Garthdee campus on the banks of the picturesque River Dee.

In the past decade we have invested over £100 million (\$200 million) in our facilities for students. This investment has primarily been focused on creating a world class campus at Garthdee, where we have some of the most modern facilities in the UK including:

- a state-of-the-art clinical skills centre
- Human Performance Laboratory with 3D imaging equipment and gait measurement including Vikon
- RGU: SPORT with a 25 metre swimming pool, climbing wall, multi-purpose indoor games hall, hi-tech gyms and many other cutting edge facilities

DYNAMIC & MODERN



**DEDICATED
& EXPERIENCED**

At Robert Gordon University we are proud of the outstanding quality of our Faculty staff who have extensive clinical experience in their specialist area. They bring insights from theory, practice and research to help shape the careers of all our students.

'The instructors all bring their own clinical specialty to the program as well as their immense interest in the students. Going to Robert Gordon University for Physiotherapy was an amazing experience as I not only had an incredible education; better yet I found a second family of friends, professors and colleagues which will last me a life time!'

Jodi Goldman - Graduate

Through our close involvement with employers and practitioners in our course planning, delivery and practice supervision, the MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration) will equip you for employment in a wide range of outpatient, hospital, community and rehabilitation settings.

THE PROGRAMME

Physiotherapy Practice 1 and 2 are designed to introduce you to physiotherapy assessment and treatment. We have structured them to enable you to develop the core skills and then become adept at transferring them to different situations through problem solving.

Physiotherapy Pathways continues with the assessment and treatment theme but also looks at how these need to be adapted for the different environments and stages of rehabilitation in which you may work.

Physiotherapy Service Development enables you to develop further clinical skills but also to investigate how these may be useful to help the service provided to the patient develop. The broader aspects of service development will also be addressed.

HSM043 and HSM074 have a direct link. In HSM043 you will develop a research proposal for either a piece of primary research or a meta-analysis/systematic review. For HSM074 you will then undertake the review or the research.

Semester 1		Semester 2		Semester 3	
HSM071 Principles of Exercise and Health Improvement	CA1	HSM072 Physiotherapy practice 2	CA2	HSM043 Research methods	
HSM070 Physiotherapy practice 1		HSM073 Physiotherapy Pathways		HSM073 Physiotherapy Pathways cont	
Semester 4		Semester 5		Semester 6	
CA 3 5/52	HSM074 Research project	CA4 5/52	CA5 5/52	HSM074 Research project cont	CA6E 5/52
	HSM006 Context of practice			HSM076 Physiotherapy Service Development	

CLINICAL PRACTICE

Clinical placements are integrated throughout the course to consolidate student learning. You will undertake a minimum of 1000 hours of clinical experience in the assessment and treatment of a wide variety of client groups with different problems and conditions. Through your placements you will get the opportunity to work in a range of settings across Scotland in addition to organising your own elective clinical placement that can take place anywhere suitable across the world. This provides an invaluable learning experience and the opportunity to work with prospective employers.

'The placements are the highlights of the course. You get to work in the 'real' environment at a very early stage of the course. It's practical right from the beginning, which makes the adaptation into real working environment much easier.'

Yu Ying Wang – Graduate
Currently working in Scotland.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

This course is not appropriate for qualified physiotherapists.

Applicants from the USA must normally hold a bachelors degree in a science subject with a minimum Grade Point Average of 3 out of a scale of 4, plus the following prerequisites: knowledge of human behaviour from an individual and societal perspective: 2-3 courses(6-9 semester hours); Biology: 2 courses (8 semester hours) or 1 course (not botany)(4 semester hours); Chemistry: 2 courses (8 semester hours); Physics: 2 courses (8 semester hours); Anatomy/Physiology: 2 courses (8 semester hours); Statistics: 1 course (3 semester hours). Total: 10-12 courses (37-44 semester hours). This is in accordance with recommendations adopted by the Education Section of the American Physical Therapy Association. The entire recommendation can be viewed at www.aptaeducation.org/Admiss_Req.pdf

START DATE

January

MODE OF STUDY

Full-time

DURATION

Full-time: 2 years, with three 15 week semesters per year



"The instructors all bring their own clinical specialty to the program"

Jodi Goldman

STUDENT PROFILES

Jodi Goldman, from New York, Graduate.
Executive Director of BREAKTHRU Physical Therapy and Fitness, New Jersey

'Studying abroad at Robert Gordon University was an incredible experience. During my years at the university I was able to travel in Europe, Scotland and Great Britain all while gaining a valuable education and making life long friends. My education at the university was diverse with instructors and students from many different backgrounds.'

'The Physiotherapy programme is unique in giving students many clinical placements in all areas of PT (more than are given at schools in the USA). The instructors all bring their own clinical specialty to the program as well as their immense interest in the students.'

'After graduating from the university I worked in the Veterans Administration Hospital System in Philadelphia, PA. Four years later my husband and I opened our own physical therapy clinic and fitness centre and have now expanded to

three clinics. We could not have done any of this without all the knowledge and experience gained at Robert Gordon University.'

Lisa Alexander from the USA also studied Physiotherapy at Robert Gordon University.
Director of LifeFIT Physical Therapy Rehab Specialists.

'The curriculum emphasised critical thinking skills and manual therapy skills that are essential for physical therapists. Since graduating, I have worked in nearly all areas of physical therapy including acute rehab, industrial rehab, home health, acute care, and outpatient rehab. I now own LifeFIT Physical Therapy and Rehab Specialists, a private practice facility in Kingman, Arizona, specializing in outpatient orthopaedics, industrial rehab, and wound care.'

'As for my cultural education, I really enjoyed learning about the Scottish culture and I think that it gave me a sensitivity to others that I didn't have before.'

THE CITY OF ABERDEEN

Aberdeen is a thriving, cosmopolitan city situated in the oil rich North East of Scotland. With excellent shopping and entertainment facilities and easy access to some of Scotland's most beautiful countryside and historic sites, Aberdeen has something for everyone.

Aberdeen is one of the most economically successful cities in the UK. It has its own international airport from which you can fly direct to a number of fantastic European destinations from as little as £50 (\$100) return.

The rail and road links to Aberdeen are excellent, making it easy for you to explore everything Scotland (and the UK) has to offer.



WHAT DO I DO NEXT?



CONTACT US

To find out more about our Physiotherapy course, visit our website at

www.rgu.ac.uk/physiotherapy

or call us on **+44 1224 263285**

or email **f.e.roberts@rgu.ac.uk**

Full-time international students can contact the University's International Office to discuss applications on **+44 1224 262726**

or via email on **international@rgu.ac.uk**

FIND OUT ABOUT FEES

For up-to-date course fee information please contact Student Finance on **+44 1224 262664**, or visit the website at

www.rgu.ac.uk/stud_finance

INTERNATIONAL STUDY

For more information about studying at the university as an overseas student, visit our international web pages at

www.rgu.ac.uk/international

HOW TO APPLY

You can now apply for your course directly via our online application form which will also allow you to upload documents in support of your application.

It is quick and easy to use, allowing you to complete pages in any order, and you may save your progress and come back to the form as many times as you like.

All supporting documents (certificates, transcripts of qualification) should be scanned and ready to upload. You will also have the option to upload your CV and any references that you wish to provide.

To apply now or for instructions on how to use this service, visit **www.rgu.ac.uk/applyonline**

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