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## Level 3 Apprenticeship for Prosthetic & Orthotic Technicians

Registrations are now open for the September 2024 intake of our Level 3 apprenticeship. This is a 18-month course with an End Point Assessment at the end of the course leading to a Foundation Certificate at Level 3.

Prosthetic/Orthotic technicians are vital members of the prosthetic/orthotic team who use evidence-based practice to provide clinical support, technical design and fabrication of prosthetic and/or orthotic devices. This qualification has been developed to reflect key policies shaping the Prosthetic/Orthotic profession, the NHS, Health and Social Care sectors today with the skills and attributes needed within the workforce to deliver care with compassion and skill to ensure the best outcomes for patients and service users.

This programme is mapped directly to the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education standards and will:

- Provide opportunities for the learner to develop a sound base of knowledge of Prosthetic/Orthotic manufacture
- Provide specialist knowledge for working in a Prosthetic/Orthotic environment
- Provide pathway-specific work-based learning and application of practice
- Provide vocational work-based learning integrated with academic rigour
- Meet employer's workforce needs · Provide opportunities for personal and professional development

The entry requirements for the course are

- 5 GCSEs (or equivalent) at grades A-C or 4-9, including Mathematics and English
- Apprentice and non-apprentice applicants are required to have English and Maths L2 or for those with an education, health & care plan or a legacy statement, the English & maths minimum requirement is Entry Level 3
- Evidence of recent study
- Current DBS
- Ability to meet the occupational health requirements of the programme.
- If applying as a candidate for whom English is a second language the applicant should hold an overall IELTS score of at least 7.0 with no element below 6.5

- Apprentice/Learner must be employed within a Prosthetic or Orthotic Department and must have the support of their manager that they will be able to complete the programme/apprenticeship.

Course fees for this qualification are covered by the apprenticeship levy if your company does not pay the levy then you are only required to pay 5% of the course fee or it can be gifted to you by an organisation that you work with such as the NHS. More information about the course costs and levy funding can be supplied by the university business team.

Applications will close on	26/06/2024
Online induction	11/09/2024(tbc)
Course starts	23/09/2024
Clinical Skills Week on campus	13/01/2025

For more information on the course or to register a candidate please contact the course leader

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