

Course Title: **Health Conditions in Physiotherapy**

Course Code: **PHTY607**

Descriptor Start Date: **02/01/2026**

POINTS: **15.00**

LEVEL: **6**

PREREQUISITE/S: **PHTY611, PHTY612, PHTY613**

COREQUISITE/S:

RESTRICTION/S:

LEARNING HOURS

Hours may include lectures, tutorials, online forums, laboratories. Refer to your timetable and course information in Canvas for detailed information.

Total learning hours: 150

PRESCRIPTOR

The course introduces selected health conditions commonly seen in physiotherapy practice involving the cardiovascular, neurological, musculoskeletal, metabolic, and respiratory systems. It examines the impact of these health conditions on body systems, the individual and their role within their whanau and community. This course builds on year 1 courses and provides a foundation for clinical reasoning for physiotherapy practice and supports subsequent courses.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Identify the determinants and the aetiology of selected health conditions in the context of Aotearoa.
2. Apply knowledge of the pathophysiological changes that occur in selected health conditions and their effect on body systems.
3. Discuss how selected health conditions impact activity and participation.

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CONTENT

- Introduction to relevant terminology
- Disturbances to homeostasis
- Selected health conditions from the cardiovascular, neurological, musculoskeletal, metabolic and respiratory systems covering:
 - o determinants
 - o pathophysiology
 - o clinical features involving body systems
 - o impact on activity and participation within community and whānau
 - o condition progression
- Health conditions affecting multiple body systems

LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

Blended learning approach. Student learning will be supported by lectures, tutorials and laboratories. Student learning will be supported by mixed media resources. Formative online assessments will be used to provide feedback on student progress.

ASSESSMENT PLAN

Assessment Event	Weighting %	Learning Outcomes
Concept Map	20.00	LO1, LO2
Presentation (30 mins)	20.00	LO1, LO2
Verbal assessment (15 mins)	60.00	LO1, LO2, LO3

Grade Map

MAP1

A+ A A- Pass with Distinction
B+ B B- Pass with Merit
C+ C C- Pass
D Fail

Overall requirement/s to pass the course:

Students must achieve an overall average grade of at least C- across all summative assessments to pass this course.

LEARNING RESOURCES

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For further information, contact: Te Ara Hauora A Putaiao - Faculty of Health & Environmental Science

Principal Programme: AK3313, Bachelor of Health Science (Physiotherapy)

Related Programme/s: AK3313 Bachelor of Health Science (Physiotherapy)

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