

Post Details		Last Updated: January 2025	
Job Title:		Student Physiotherapist, Sports Therapist, or Rehabilitator	
Job Family & Job Level		Sport Delivery/Professional Franchises	Student Placement
Responsible to:		Lead Physiotherapist	
Responsible for:		NA	
Fixed term:		The placement positions are a fixed term appointment for 45 weeks and is open to undergraduate and MSc students (August 2026- June 2027)	
Job Purpose Statement The post holder is expected to support the Lead Physiotherapist with medical and therapy service needs, plus relevant administration, across Team Surrey athletes. The student therapist will also work synchronously with other members of the performance team to effectively manage athletes’ injury rehabilitation and management plans. The student therapist will be responsible for managing their own athlete caseload, under direct supervision. Training and development, plus formal mentorship opportunities will also be provided to support with university assignments and career progression. Placement students are expected to be flexible, with considerable work in evenings and weekends throughout the athletic seasons.			
Problem Solving, Accountability and Dimensions of the Role The post holder will be a multisport practitioner who will work collaboratively with other therapists, strength and conditioning staff, and sport specific coaches to form an integral part of a multidisciplinary team. The post will work across the University of Surrey’s Dual Career Programme, TASS, and Team Surrey athletes as directed by the Lead Physiotherapist. The student will work closely with other therapists, sharing the assessment, treatments, and rehabilitation of athletes during a training week, plus home and away matches where directed by the lead therapist. The student therapist will be expected to liaise with the whole MDT to discuss progress and advise on playing and/or training time. The student will have autonomy; however, should consult with the Lead Therapist before finalising any decisions regarding treatment, management, and/or rehabilitation strategies. The student will be forward thinking and encouraged to express ideas on how to develop and improve the delivery of therapy across the Sports Park. This will include attending weekly performance team meetings to share knowledge, report on injuries, and discuss on-going issues that will improve the working relationship within the performance team. The student therapist will report directly to the Lead Therapist but will also liaise with the Lead Strength & Conditioning Coach and team coaches.			
Background Information/Relationships Surrey Sports Park is at the heart of sport and physical activity in Surrey, and our mission is to deliver the best possible sport, health, and wellbeing experience to our University of Surrey students and to the wider SSP community. We provide strategic added value to the University by delivering an outstanding student experience through social and competitive sport and providing an excellent environment for wellness and fitness for Surrey staff and students, and our community impact is significant both culturally and physically. The team is passionate and high performing, and the business model requires us to deliver a self-sustaining, well managed and customer service focused business. The student therapist will work closely with all Sports Park staff and both internal and external guests.			
This job purpose reflects the core activities of the post. As SSP and the student therapist develop, there will inevitably be some changes to the duties for which the post is responsible, and possibly to the emphasis of the post itself. SSP expects that the student therapist will recognise this and will adopt a flexible approach to work. This could include undertaking relevant training where necessary. Should significant changes to the job purpose become necessary, the student therapist will be consulted and the changes reflected in a revised job purpose.			
Person Specification This section describes the sum total of knowledge, experience & competence required by the post holder that is necessary for standard acceptable performance in carrying out this role.			

Qualifications and Professional Memberships		Essential/ Desirable
Be enrolled on an accredited Physiotherapy (CSP/HCPC), Sports Therapy (SST), or Sports Rehabilitation (BASRAT), BSc, MSc, or MSci.		E
Technical Competencies (Experience and Knowledge) This section contains the level of competency required to carry out the role (please refer to the competency framework for clarification where needed and the Job Families Booklet).	Essential/ Desirable	Level 1-3
Knowledge and experience of delivering therapy to sporting individuals.	D	2
Working knowledge of MS Office.	D	2
Knowledge of British University and College Sport (BUCS) campaigns, national governing body schemes, and government initiatives relating to sport development.	D	1
Special Requirements:	Essential/ Desirable	Level 1-3
To work during unsocial hours, including early mornings and late evenings.	E	NA
Disclosure and Barring Service Clearance	E	NA
Commitment to undertake relevant CPD training.	E	NA
Core Competencies This section contains the level of competency required to carry out this role. (Please refer to the competency framework for clarification where needed). N/A (not applicable) should be placed, where the competency is not a requirement of the grade.		Level 1-3
Communication		2
Adaptability / Flexibility		2
Customer/Client service and support		2
Planning and Organising		2
Teamwork		2
Continuous Improvement		2
Problem Solving and Decision Making Skills		2
Leadership / Management		NA
Creative and Analytical Thinking		2
Influencing, Persuasion and Negotiation Skills		2
Strategic Thinking		NA

Organisational Information
<p>All staff are expected to:</p> <p>Positively support equality of opportunity and equity of treatment to colleagues and students in accordance with Surrey Sports Parks Equal Opportunities Policy.</p> <p>Help maintain a safe working environment by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attending training in Health and Safety requirements as necessary, both on appointment and as changes in duties and techniques demand. • Following local codes of safe working practices and Surrey Sports Parks Health and Safety Policy. • Excellent environmental performance is a strategic objective for the University of Surrey. All staff are encouraged to work to achieve the aims of our Environmental Policy and promote awareness to colleagues and students. • Undertake such other duties within the scope of the post as may be requested by your Manager.
Key Responsibilities
<p>This document is not designed to be a list of all tasks undertaken but an outline record of the main responsibilities (5 to 8 maximum) and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Job Purpose.</p>

1. Complete injury assessments and provide relevant treatment and rehabilitation to Team Surrey athletes.
2. Provide pre- and post-session soft tissue therapy to Team Surrey athletes.
3. Attend match fixtures to provide pitch-side trauma care, as directed by Lead Therapist
4. Assist with the day-to-day planning and delivery of medical and performance departments
5. Record medical notes as per HCPC/CSP/SST/BASRAT guidelines
6. Maintain a clean and tidy working environment
7. Attend MDT meetings as directed by line manager

N.B. The above list is not exhaustive.