

Fontys Frequently asked questions

What is the main reason for not continuing into the second year?

- The main reason is because early into the year students find out that physiotherapy wasn't for them, and that it's the wrong career path for them so they leave. The second reason is probably because students don't fully understand the workload needed in order to pass all the exams to gain access to the second year. Therefore, they can no longer continue the study.

Is biology mandatory to have studied previously to physiotherapy?

- Biology isn't mandatory to have studied previous to starting the course, however, it is always helpful to have background knowledge.
- I studied biology and psychology at A level in England before starting at Fontys and found it really beneficial when studying because I already had some background in the field. However, I also had friends who didn't study biological sciences before and they didn't have any problems passing that section in the exam. - Phoebe

Can internships be done anywhere in the world?

- Internships can be done wherever you organise them, in any country, as long as they pass the criteria Fontys set out.
- I completed both my internships in the UK and had no problems with Fontys not approving them. - Phoebe

What is student life like?

- Student life for me was very fun, I always went out and socialised when I wanted to and didn't find my work building up if I kept on top of it. As a year group, we always had socials and parties going on and we were all very close which was lovely. You would often find yourself studying in groups to help each other. I also managed to have a part time job and play for a sports team in my second and third year, as well as pass all my exams. It is very doable if you can manage your time well. But, remember to put your studies first, especially when getting closer to the exam periods. - Phoebe

What do you need to pass a physiotherapy exam?

- The pass mark in a knowledge test was a 5.5 or above out of 10, or a 6 in a performance assessment.
- The pass mark is determined by how the year group does as a whole on the exam.

What subjects are covered?

- Anatomy
- Physiology
- Interpersonal skills
- Physiotherapy activities
- PROF

Does the university help with housing?

- No – however they have recommended some agencies for housing on the website.