

Advanced Clinical Practice Ophthalmology (Paediatrics)

MMedSci/PGDip/PGCert blended learning master's MMedSci apprenticeship master's Online and work-based learning

This course is ideal for paediatric orthoptists, optometrists and ophthalmic nurses, who want to expand their scope of practice and become Advanced Clinical Practitioners (ACPs) in paediatric ophthalmology.

We're the only provider in the UK to offer both a traditional and apprenticeship master's route in paediatric ophthalmology.

However you choose to study, you'll be taught by eye care professionals who are experienced in supporting mature and distance learners. This course also requires you to have the support of a local mentor (a paediatric ophthalmologist) in the field.



Pillars of Advanced Clinical Practice

This accredited course will prepare you for life as an ACP in paediatric ophthalmology, with teaching spanning all four pillars of advanced practice: clinical practice, leadership, education and research.

You will learn how to diagnose and manage a range of paediatric ophthalmology conditions, and develop decision making and leadership skills needed to educate colleagues and make complex care choices.

Optional modules in areas such as exemptions, low vision, insight into disease and research methods will help you develop your clinical practice further.



Work-based study

The course has been designed for working clinicians, with a combination of work-based learning, self-guided study and academic assessments. You will gain clinical experience under the supervision of at least one local mentor, with access to paediatric ophthalmology clinics. Tripartite reviews and contact with our university tutors will keep you connected to the University of Sheffield during your studies.

We recommend students are allocated one day a week of dedicated study/ work-based learning time. This protected study time is a prerequisite of our apprenticeship programme.

Funding your studies

The Regional Faculties for Advancing Practice provide advice and funding for ACP programmes. Contact your own regional faculty to find out more: advanced-practice.hee.nhs.uk/regional-faculties-for-advancing-practice

Employers interested in supporting your studies via the apprenticeship route may be able to access funding via the **NHS' apprenticeship levy**.

For more information, including entry requirements visit: sheffield.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught

Email: c.codina@sheffield.ac.uk or ahpnm-apprenticeships-admissions@sheffield.ac.uk