

Education & Training Panel – 4 December 2007

Visitor report and programme approval

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

The attached visitors' report for the following programme has been sent to the education provider and following a 28 day period no representations have been received. The education provider has no conditions of approval to meet.

Education provider	Programme name	Delivery mode
University of Derby	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	FT
University of Derby	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	FT Accelerated
University of Derby	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	PT

Decision

The Panel is asked to -

accept the visitors' report for the above named programme(s) and approve the programme

or

accept the visitors' report for the above named programme(s) and vary the recommendations made by the Visitors

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

Visitors' reports (1)

Date of paper

22 November 2007



Health Professions Council

Visitors' report

Name of education provider	University of Derby	
Name and titles of programme(s)	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	
Mode of delivery (FT/PT)	Full Time	
	Full Time Accelerated	
	Part Time	
Date of visit	18 October 2007	
Proposed date of approval to commence	ce September 2007	
Name of HPC visitors attending (including member type and professional	Moira Helm – (Educationalist, Occupational Therapist)	
area)	Jennifer Caldwell – (Educationalist, Occupational Therapist)	
HPC executive officer(s) (in attendance)	Tracey Samuel-Smith	
Joint panel members in attendance	Dr Douglas Carr – Chair	
(name and delegation):	Terri-Ann King – Secretary	
	Dominique Davison – Quality Assurance	

Scope of visit (please tick)

New programme	
Major change to existing programme	
Visit initiated through Annual Monitoring	
New Profession	

Confirmation of meetings held

	Yes	No	N/A
Senior personnel of provider with responsibility for resources for the programme	\boxtimes		
Programme team	\boxtimes		
Placements providers and educators			\boxtimes
Students (current or past as appropriate)	\boxtimes		

Confirmation of facilities inspected

	Yes	No	N/A
Library learning centre	\boxtimes		
IT facilities	\boxtimes		
Specialist teaching accommodation	\boxtimes		

Confirmation that particular requirements/specific instructions (if any) of the Education and Training Committee that have been explored e.g. specific aspects arising from annual monitoring reports.

Requirement (please insert detail)		No	N/A
New facilities which have not been visited – Britannia Markeaton Street and Kedleston Road	∕ill, ⊠		
2			\boxtimes
3			\boxtimes

Proposed student cohort intake number please state	Year 1
	FT 75
	FT Acc 30
	PT 10

The following summarises the key outcomes of the approval event and provides reasons for the decision.

RECOMMENDATIONS

3.12 The resources provided, both on and off site, must adequately support the required learning and teaching activities of the programme.

Recommendation: In the forthcoming refurbishments, the education provider should fully consider access to Britannia Mill and the free inter-site access for people with a range of disabilities.

Reason: The Visitors feel that in the forthcoming refurbishments, facilities for students with disabilities could be enhanced at Britannia Mill. The Visitors also feel that as the free shuttle bus between sites does not currently accommodate all students with disabilities, inter-site access could be enhanced.

COMMENDATIONS

The Visitors would like to commend the education provider, and particularly the
Occupational Therapy team, on their response to the recent changes which have
occurred on multiple levels - faculty and school restructure; moving from a long standing
facility which included bringing students along effectively; and refurbishment of new
building.

The nature and quality of instruction and facilities meets the standards of education and training.

We recommend to the Education and Training Committee of the HPC that they approve this programme, subject to any conditions being met.

Visitors' signatures:

Jennifer Caldwell

Moira Helm

Date: 25 October 2007