

Dear Prospective Advanced Clinical Practice student,

NHSE and Universities from across the region are offering all aspiring Advanced Clinical Practice students (ACP's) the opportunity to join a short preparatory course to support you as you begin your journey as a trainee ACP.

Current and previous ACP students have fed back that they felt unprepared for the course and often had many questions about the trainee role. Students across the region in 2021 evaluated a pilot preparatory workbook that was developed by the Association of Advanced Practice Educators. They found this helpful and asked for several tailored introductory sessions to support their journey as a trainee ACP.

Therefore, we would like to warmly invite you join a free Northeast and Yorkshire regional trainee ACP 2-day face to face course to facilitate your introduction to ACP training, wherever you may have applied to study. In addition to tailored teaching, you will have the opportunity to access and complete the national trainee ACP workbook which can be completed in your own time. You can access support from the facilitators of the preparatory course during this time.

The teaching will cover the follow topics:

- Studying at level 7 and the required skills for academic writing
- Demystifying the role of an ACP, both in training and on qualification
- Understanding and developing your knowledge of anatomy and physiology that is relevant for ACP studies
- Preparatory tool kits and e-resources that are useful for you to start reading
- Preparing yourself and your organisation for ACP training
- The role of the e-portfolio

You will also have the opportunity to meet other prospective students and gain some top-tips from our current students from across the region. Both days are face to face.

Day 1 will be held at the University of Sunderland and Sheffield Hallam University on 1st July from 10:00 until 16:00. Please select the event that is the most convenient for you to attend.

Day 2 to be confirmed

To register your intention to attend day one of this course, please kindly book the event you wish to attend via the link below:

Sunderland University - https://www.sunderland.ac.uk/events/aspiring-acp/

Sheffield Hallam University - https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/aspiring-acp-tickets-1341879249959?aff=oddtdtcreator



If you can do attend both days one and two as they complement each other, if you cannot attend both you are still welcome to come to either date.

We look forward to meeting you in the summer.

Yours Faithfully,

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Day 1: Aspiring Advanced Clinical Practice Course 1st July 2025

Sunderland University OR

Sheffield Hallam university

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University of Sunderland

City Campus

Chester Road

Edinburgh Building, Room 207

Campus Map

https://www.sunderland.ac.uk/images/external-websites/www/help-and-advice/getting-here/related-downloads/UOS_24-Campus-Maps_City-of-Sunderland-compressed.pdf

Day 1: Collegiate Campus, Robert Winston Building F518

Broomhall,

Sheffield,

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Campus Map:

https://www.shu.ac.uk/visit-us/how-to-find-us/collegiate-campus-map

Time	Section	Activity	Team
10:00-10.10	Introductions and welcome		Catherine Lee-Cowan, Associate Head of
10.10 – 11.00	ACP - Speed dating	Icebreaker	School – RNDA, ACP and District Nursing
			ACP's - Yan Cunningham, Mags O'Donnell
11:00-12:15	Introduction to regional, national, and international perspectives of the Advanced Clinical Practice Role	Live stream	Kirsty Laing and Lauraine Gibson (20 mins) Regional
			Melanie Rogers (20 mins) National & International
			Q & A and Discussion (15 mins)
12:15-13:00	Lunch		
13:00-1330	Introduction to the trainee ACP workbook	Access to workbook Online activity	Angie Banks – live stream
		Online activity	
13:30-14:15	How to prepare for studying as an ACP		Katie Hobbs - Library Study Skills Team
14:15-1500	Imposter syndrome		John Reilly-Dixon, Senior Lecturer – School of Psychology
			Hayley Whelpton- SHU
15.00-15:30	Overcoming imposter syndrome as an ACP – top tips		Yan Cunningham - Orthopaedic ACP
15:30-16:00	Q & A and Evaluation		