

## **Guidance for Health and Social Care Students: Recording of hours for extracurricular events**

Practice based learning is integral to the Faculty's Health and Social Care programmes. Some programmes require an exact specified number of theory and practice hours – stated by either the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC), Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC), the General Optical Council (GOC) or the programme.

Attendance in practice is of paramount importance to facilitate achievement of assessment and therefore students cannot expect to attend everything they wish or take large amounts of hours out of placement.

There are many 'off placement' learning/development opportunities that may arise during practice periods that students may wish to attend (that are relevant to practice learning) and would seek to have recorded as practice hours.

The Faculty permits students to take a maximum 37.5 practice hours per Academic Year for extracurricular events. Students should not include extracurricular hours on the electronic timesheet but should seek agreement to attend the 'off placement' learning opportunity with their Practice Assessor (nursing) or Practice Placement Educator (HCPC) and Personal Tutor.

\*\*\*N.B. Paid roles such as Student Ambassador or Peer Assisted Learning and associated travel time are not included.