

Welcome to the Prosthetics & Orthotics Bachelor Programme

Dear Student,

Congratulations on choosing an education that truly makes a difference in people's lives. By selecting the Prosthetics and Orthotics Bachelor Programme, you are taking the first step toward a meaningful and impactful profession, where your knowledge and skills will directly improve the quality of life for others.

The need for qualified prosthetists and orthotists is very high, both nationally and internationally. The job market is excellent, and most of our graduates are offered employment shortly after completing their studies. This makes your choice not only rewarding in terms of personal development, but also a strong investment in your future career.

Our programme is certified by the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO). This means that upon graduation, you will not only receive your academic degree, but also an ISPO diploma. This certification is highly valued and provides an important advantage if you wish to pursue a career as a licensed prosthetist/orthotist abroad.

Already during the first course of the programme, you will take part in a three-day clinical placement at a prosthetics and orthotics clinic in Sweden. This early practical experience is designed to give you an authentic insight into the profession and help you feel confident that you have made the right choice of education.

Please note that the programme includes elements involving the handling of chemicals. It is therefore important that you carefully read the information provided in the attached appendix regarding medical requirements and mandatory examinations, as this is essential for your ability to continue in the programme.

Throughout the programme, you will engage in a combination of theoretical learning, clinical practice, and hands-on technical training. You will develop the competence needed to assess, design, and provide assistive devices that support mobility and independence for individuals with diverse needs.

We are delighted that you are considering joining our programme and hope to welcome you as a student. Your journey toward a rewarding profession—where you have the opportunity to make a real difference—starts here.

If you have any questions regarding the program, don't hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,

Jessica Crafoord and Sara Kallin, Program Coordinators for the P&O Bachelor program and staff members from the P&O faculty at department of rehabilitation at Jönköping University.

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Appendix:

The study programme includes the handling of thermoset plastics which is regulated by the provisions of the Swedish Work Environment Authority, AFS 2023:15. For this reason, the School of Health and Welfare organises compulsory lung function testing by a specialist clinic, as part of an employment suitability assessment, which takes place at the start of the programme of studies.

The medical test consists of a general health check-up questionnaire, check-up of upper and deeper respiratory system, and a spirometry test, to see if a person has higher risk to develop health issues related to exposure to allergenic chemicals.

An approved employment suitability assessment is a requirement for the continuation of studies.

An applicant may choose to undergo the required medical examination on their own initiative before accepting their place in the programme. However, if the examination is conducted more than four months before the start of the programme, the applicant must cover the cost themselves. Otherwise, the cost may be reimbursed upon submission of a receipt and an approved employment suitability assessment.

If you have any questions regarding this assessment, please contact Sara Kallin:

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