



2022 Framework Study Plan in brief

Bachelor of Science HES-SO in Physiotherapy

The course in brief

The Bachelor of Science HES-SO in Physiotherapy offers a 3-year generalist education program with 180 ECTS. It is offered at three Universities of Applied Sciences (UAS):

- Haute école de santé de Genève (HEdS - Genève)
- HES-SO Valais-Wallis - Haute Ecole de Santé - HEdS
- Haute Ecole de Santé Vaud (HESAV)

A work-study program

The training is built on the principle of integrative work-study. Students alternate training periods at school and in a professional environment. Practical training spans 34 weeks in the field where they have the possibility to challenge the education methodology applied, boost the efficiency of their learning and develop a professional mindset.

Modern and diversified teaching methods

Students are encouraged to be active actors in their education through teaching and evaluation methods which support skills development, autonomy, and reflexivity.

Development of a Transversal and Cross-Professional Expertise

Great importance is given to the development of knowledge and competences related to different profiles in the Health sector. Classes are dedicated to themes like: Scientific methodology, Bachelor's Thesis, Swiss Health System, Digitalization, Sustainability and Cross-Professionalism.

A skills-based approach

The skills-based approach reinforces Autonomy, Sense of Responsibility and Reflexivity, Commitment and Employability dimension by referring "what physiotherapist student should be able to do at the end of his/her course". The education is built looking to the Standard of Requirements for 7 different worker's role in the Health sector:





Teaching axis areas: Education identity card

The Bachelor of Science HES-SO program in Physiotherapy is built around 5 teaching axes:

Reflexive practitioner

This axis concerns the physiotherapist's reflexivity on his or her clinical practice with a look on the evaluation of the latter, by integrating the foundations of an evidence-based practice.

Physiotherapeutic interventions

This axis concerns interventions in all fields of physiotherapy: therapy, rehabilitation, acute, subacute chronic and palliative care.

Movement, physical activity, sport and health

This axis focuses on movement (active and passive), physical activity adapted to the person's capacities and his/her context. Are also concerned sport, promotion, prevention (primary, secondary, tertiary) as well as therapeutic and health education.

Professional development and leadership

This axis focus is on the development and lifelong learning of the physiotherapist, technologies related to professional practice, digital health and sustainability

Individual specificities and psycho-social and environmental dimensions

This axis is about communication and relationship to be adapted to the individual specificities by considering his psycho-social, cultural, spiritual and geographical environment (of his community or group of individuals).

Physiotherapy Course Schedule

