

# Step into a career in Gastrointestinal Physiology



## Level 2

**Programme:** Level 2 Healthcare Science Assistant Apprenticeship

**Award:** Level 2 Diploma in Healthcare Science

**Funded by:** Government Apprenticeship levy

**Provided by:** Education providers



## Level 8

**Programme:** Higher Specialist Scientist Training (HSST) in Gastrointestinal Physiology

**Award:** CCHSST, DClinSci & eligibility to join the AHCS Higher Specialist Scientist Register

**Funded by:** NHS England

**Provided by:** NHS England & Universities



## Level 4

**Programme:** Level 4 Healthcare Science Associate Apprenticeship

**Award:** Level 4 Diploma in Healthcare Science

**Funded by:** Government Apprenticeship levy

**Provided by:** Education providers



## Level 7

**Programme:** Scientist Training Programme (STP) in Gastrointestinal Physiology

**Award:** CCSTP, MSc Clinical Science & eligibility to join the HCPC register as a Clinical Scientist

**Funded by:** NHS England

**Provided by:** NHS England & Universities

## Level 2 Healthcare Science Assistant Apprenticeship providers

- The Association of Health Professions in Ophthalmology
- Barnsley College
- City College Plymouth
- CSR Scientific Training Ltd
- Dudley College of Technology
- Dynamic Training UK Ltd
- Essex County Council
- Halesowen College
- Heart of Yorkshire Education Group
- HTP Apprenticeship College Ltd
- JAG Training Ltd
- Kendal College
- Luminate Education Group
- Macclesfield College
- Middlesex University
- The Sheffield College
- Southport College
- Steadfast Training Ltd
- Wirral Metropolitan College

## Level 2 Healthcare Science Assistant Apprenticeship eligibility

See education provider for specific requirements - [Healthcare science assistant \(level 2\) - apprenticeship training course \(education.gov.uk\)](#)

## Level 4 Healthcare Science Associate Apprenticeship providers

- The Association of Health Professions in Ophthalmology
- City College Norwich
- Coventry University
- CSR Scientific Training Ltd
- CU Apprenticeships (Better Futures) Ltd
- Dudley College of Technology
- Dynamic Training UK Ltd
- East Durham College
- Halesowen College
- Heart of Yorkshire Education Group
- Kendal College

- Luminate Education Group
- Macclesfield College
- Middlesex University
- The Sheffield College
- Steadfast Training Ltd
- Wirral Metropolitan College

## Level 4 Healthcare Science Associate Apprenticeship eligibility

See education provider for specific requirements [Training providers for Healthcare science associate \(level 4\) \(education.gov.uk\)](#)

## Level 7 STP MSc Clinical Science (Gastrointestinal Physiology) providers

- Newcastle University

## Level 7 STP Gastrointestinal Physiology eligibility

Undergraduate honours degree or an integrated Master's degree (1<sup>st</sup> or 2:1), in a pure or applied science subject relevant to the specialty for which you are applying OR higher degree in a relevant subject & undergraduate honours degree (2:2) in any subject.

## Level 8 HSST DClín Sci (Gastrointestinal Physiology) providers

- Manchester Academy for Healthcare Scientist Education (MAHSE)

## Level 8 HSST Gastrointestinal Physiology eligibility

HCPC registered Clinical Scientist with at least one-year post-registration experience.

## Programme duration

- Scientist Training Programme (STP)
  - 3-year programme
- Higher Specialist Scientist Training (HSST)
  - 5-year programme

## Education levels

1. GCSE grades 3-1; L1 NVQ etc.
2. GCSE grades 9-4; L2 NVQ etc.
3. A level; AS level; L3 NVQ etc.
4. HNC; L4 NVQ
5. Foundation (Undergraduate)
6. Bachelors (Graduate)
7. Masters (Postgraduate)
8. Doctorate (Consultant)

## Professional Bodies

- AGIP – Association of Gastrointestinal Physiologists

## Accreditation

- Accredited Independent Healthcare Professional

See website for more details:

[Form-1-AGIP-registration-as-an-Accredited-Independent-Healthcare-Professional-in-GI-Physiology.docx \(live.com\)](#)

## Registration

- HCPC – Clinical Scientist (statutory)
- AHCS – Clinical Physiologist (voluntary)

## Equivalence

- AHCS - <https://www.ahcs.ac.uk/equivalence/>
- ACS - <https://assclnsci.org/applicants/my-route-to-registration/>

## Useful websites

- AGIP - [AGIP - Association of GI Physiologists - The British Society of Gastroenterology \(bsg.org.uk\)](#)
- BSG – [The voice of British Gastroenterology and Hepatology since 1937 - The British Society of Gastroenterology \(bsg.org.uk\)](#)
- NSHCS - <https://nshcs.hee.nhs.uk/>

## Further information

- AGIP – Association of Gastrointestinal Physiologists
- AHCS – Academy of Healthcare Science
- BSG – British Society of Gastroenterology
- HCPC – Health & Care Professions Council
- NSHCS – National School of Healthcare Science