

 Learna | Diploma MSc

# Urology

Postgraduate Certificate





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Delivered over 6 months, the online, part-time Postgraduate Certificate course is specially developed for busy health professionals. Formatted in 3 modules, each 6 weeks in duration; the course is designed to be practical and clinically focused.

## Why study Urology with us?

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Our Urology programme will equip the individual with a systematic understanding of urology, and application of knowledge for direct patient benefit/service development and future study. Demonstrate the ability to lead complex tasks and processes in the delivery and advancement of clinical care using knowledge of urology.

Our Urology programme will equip equip students with life-long learning and advanced problem-solving skills that they can apply knowledge of urology to clinical practice. Enabling graduates to deliver leadership to teams in multi-agency, multi-cultural and/or international contexts.

# Urology Course Modules

Our online Postgraduate Certificate in Urology allows you to study for just six months and is a part-time, distance-learning course.

## Module 1 - Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms

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### Aim of the module:

- Apply an advanced understanding of lower urinary tract anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology to the clinical assessment, investigation and management of lower urinary symptoms.

### Synopsis of module content:

- Anatomy, Physiology and pathophysiology of the Lower Urinary Tract
- Investigation and Diagnosis of the Lower Urinary Symptoms (LUTS)
- Conservative and pharmacological treatment of benign prostatic enlargement (BPE) and lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS)
- Surgical treatments for benign prostate enlargement (BPE) and lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS)
- Management of overactive bladder (OAB)
- Management of Nocturnal Polyuria

### On completion of this module, students will be able to:

1. Develop a systematic understanding and critical knowledge of the anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology of the lower urinary tract as well as in the diagnosis, investigation and management of the person presenting with lower urinary tract symptoms.
2. Critically evaluate the evidence relating to the diagnosis, investigation and management of lower urinary tract symptoms.
3. Apply this knowledge and understanding to synthesise and deliver diagnostic and management strategies to provide the best level of care for patients presenting with lower urinary tract symptoms.

## Module 2 - Prostate and Bladder Cancers

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### Aim of the module:

- To develop an in-depth understanding of the presentation, investigation and management of Prostate and Bladder cancer.

### Synopsis of module content:

- Incidence, presentation and investigation of prostate cancer
- Diagnosis and staging of prostate cancer
- Treatment of prostate cancer
- Presentation and investigation of bladder cancer
- Diagnosis and staging of bladder cancer
- Treatment of bladder cancer

### On completion of this module, students will be able to:

1. Develop a critical knowledge and understanding of the incidence, presentation, diagnosis, investigation and management of prostate and bladder cancer.
2. Critically evaluate current research and guidelines related to the diagnosis and management of prostate and bladder cancer.
3. Synthesise and translate the critical knowledge into complex case scenarios relating to the diagnosis and management of prostate and bladder cancers.

## Module 3 -Urinary Tract Infections

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### Aim of the module:

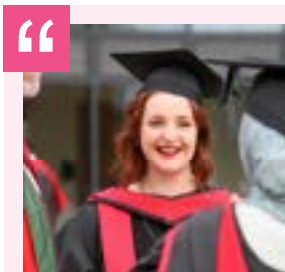
- Develop a comprehensive understanding of the presentation, diagnosis and management of patients with urinary tract infections (UTIs).

### Synopsis of module content:

- Incidence, risk factors and pathogens
- Investigation and diagnosis
- Management of urinary tract infections (UTIs)
- Recurrent urinary tract infections (UTIs)
- Prostatitis
- Epididymitis and Orchitis

### On completion of this module, students will be able to:

1. Develop a critical knowledge and understanding of the diagnosis, investigation and management of urinary tract infections to include prostatitis, epididymitis and orchitis.
2. Critically evaluate the current research and guidelines relating to the presentation, diagnosis and management of urinary tract infections, prostatitis, epididymitis and orchitis.
3. An ability to synthesise and critically evaluate guidance and evidence to be able to manage and treat patients with urinary tract infections (UTI) in clinical practice including prostatitis, epididymitis and orchitis.



Doing a course, all online is a lot more convenient for me around my clinical role so that's why I chose to study with Learna...

I really like how flexible the course was, I liked the freedom I got with the professional project and I was well supported throughout the whole 2 years!

- Lisa Jayne Edwards, Medical Education MSc graduate



## Teaching Methods

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Our courses are conducted entirely online through self-directed distance learning. However, you will receive guidance throughout with tutor-stimulated academic discussions, which are based on clinically-rich case scenarios. These usually occur within groups of 10-15 students, allowing you to clearly communicate with both your tutor and fellow students.

You will participate in a combination of group and individual activities, which are recorded in a reflective journal. This innovative teaching method enables you to envisage the translation of your studies into your every day work and practice.

Our dedicated Student Support Team are also available to help with any problems you may face. From navigating our online platform to advising you on deadlines, our team can assist with any questions or challenges you may have along the way.

## Study Skills week

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Once you have secured your place on the course, you will be required to attend our Study Skills week. This will give you the opportunity to participate in workshops on Harvard referencing, scientific and reflective writings, and levels of evidence in preparation for your studies. It is compulsory for you to attend our Induction, as it'll provide you with a sturdy introduction to the course.

# Urology: Postgraduate Certificate **Entry Requirements**

## **Documents required:**

- A copy of your updated CV including your address and date of birth.
- A copy of your undergraduate degree certificate.
- The name and email address of someone who is able to provide a reference, this can be a work colleague, employer or former tutor.
- A detailed personal statement explaining why you would like to undertake the course.

## **Applicants should submit copies of the following with their application:**

Proficiency in the English language is essential to completing our courses. If English is NOT your first language, we ask for proof of competency during the application process. We are able to accept an IELTS overall score of 6.5 (with a minimum of 6.0 for each band) or an equivalent qualification.

Should you have already successfully completed a 1 year Postgraduate Diploma at another institution and wish to convert to the MSc and complete only the second year of the programme this is possible. Please contact our admissions department [admissions@learna.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@learna.ac.uk) to find out more.

Applicants without the above academic criteria but relevant/suitable experience can apply. Applications will be judged on the individual specifics of background and qualifications including ability to work at postgraduate level (applicants may be asked to submit a piece of work for assessment to confirm that they are able to work comfortably at postgraduate level and demonstrate requisite clinical/professional knowledge).







## What do our students think?

Since 2010, over 1000 students have progressed their medical career by enrolling in one of our qualifications. We ourselves have learned a lot during this time and continually seek to improve the student learning experience. Here is what some of our previous students have said:

"I found the online learning very interesting. It enabled me to save money and time."

**Dr Imad Eddin Rahamtalla, Doctor**

"I strongly recommend Diploma MSc to all those busy physicians who are working in remote areas and wish to upgrade their knowledge."

**Dr Junaid Zaffar, Diabetologist**

"The learning was fun and enjoyable. The course was awesome and it increased my confidence."

**Dr Sankar Nath Jha, Assistant Professor**

"I found learning with Diploma MSc interesting, it helped to update my academic knowledge."

**Dr Prasanth Kinattupurayil, Doctor**

"I love that it was flexible and that I could log in at my convenience. I found this course to be very in-depth, informative, challenging and stimulating."

**Kerri-Ann Best PGDip, RD**



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