

PgCert

# Cancer Survivorship

This course will enhance your understanding of the long-term impact of cancer diagnosis and treatment on individuals and their families. The syllabus is delivered in collaboration with the Christie Hospital (the largest cancer centre in the North West of England) and aimed at anybody who has practical involvement and/or interest in the management of care for people who are living with and beyond cancer diagnosis

## 3 good reasons to study Cancer Survivorship at Salford

- Gain an overview of the shift in the approach to care and support for people living with and beyond cancer
- Receive guidance and instruction from health and social-care practitioners throughout your time on the course
- Study from anywhere in the world through our virtual learning environment and online classroom.

## Course summary

During your time on this course, which is delivered in collaboration with the Christie Hospital, you will explore recent developments in the field of cancer survivorship.

The syllabus is highly relevant if you have practical involvement with, and interest in, the management of care for cancer patients. Our strong links with local, national and international agencies will help you develop a critical and reflective approach to working with this growing population.

The course is delivered online via our virtual-learning environment and online classroom, and can be studied from anywhere in the world. The full PgCert is awarded upon completion of the two 30-credit modules, but, if you prefer, you can take just one module in either the first or second semester of the academic year.



## Career prospects and further study

This course has been designed to contribute to your Continued Professional Development (CPD).

As a person who deals with people affected by cancer, you can use the qualification as a springboard for promotion within your organisation. And you can tap into our links with the Christie Hospital, the Regional Centre for Cancer Care, The Wellness Works and international HEIs.

The qualification will put you on the road towards achieving the 180 credits needed for an MSc. If you plan to obtain an MSc, you should consider taking additional modules from our related courses, including:

- MSc Advanced Occupational Therapy
- MSc Advancing Physiotherapy
- MSc Occupational and Vocational Rehabilitation.

## Course overview

### Semester 1

- **The Impact of Cancer and its Treatment (30 credits).**

### Semester 2

- **Support to Live with and Beyond Cancer (30 credits).**

## Teaching

Both course modules are delivered through our virtual-learning environment and online classroom.

Using the virtual-learning environment, you can access learning materials and participate in discussion boards and webinars. The majority of publications on the recommended reading list for the course are available from our library in electronic form.

Video lectures in our online classroom will be delivered by academics with expertise in Cancer Survivorship. They will often be joined by experienced practitioners with affiliations to our local, national and international partners.

## Course structure

### Semester 1

#### **The Impact of Cancer and its Treatment (30 credits)**

During this module, you'll analyse the physical, psychological and socio-economic implications of living with cancer, and its treatment as a chronic condition. You will reflect on the impact of treatment on the health and wellbeing of those affected by the disease.

You will explore the need for support for those affected. And you will consider the psychological, environmental and social factors that impact on survivorship for the individual and the family.

This module runs online from September to January. Your studies will comprise guided sessions, online discussions and use of our virtual classroom

### Semester 2

#### **Support to Live with and Beyond Cancer (30 credits)**

This module will encourage you to evaluate the support provided to, and required by, those living with and beyond cancer. You will learn the value of patient empowerment and choice. And you will explore the effectiveness of a range of therapeutic interventions, in relation to optimal health and well-being.

This module runs online from February to May. Your studies will comprise guided sessions, online discussions and use of our virtual classroom.

## Entry Requirements and fees

We will normally accept applications from any registered health and social care professional whose clinical experience includes patients with cancer. Furthermore, applications from other professionals (managers, trade unionists, occupational health practitioners, etc.) will be considered.

You need an undergraduate degree with a minimum classification 2.2, or an equivalent qualification. We also welcome applications from students who may not have formal / traditional qualifications, but who have relevant experience. Full details of fees and bursaries can be found online, by using our handy course-finder tool: [www.salford.ac.uk/course-finder](http://www.salford.ac.uk/course-finder)

## STAFF PROFILE

### Dr Ziv Amir

Dr Amir is an honorary professor at the University of Salford. One of the original members of the team who developed our MSc in Psycho-Oncology, he was also among the group who established the National Cancer Survivorship Initiative. Dr Amir is recognised internationally as being at the forefront of the field.



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