

## **Accreditation of Prior (Experiential) Learning**

The College of Occupational Therapists recognises that candidates for admission onto a pre-registration occupational therapy degree programme may have a range of knowledge, expertise and skills. Applicants should therefore have the opportunity to apply for formal recognition of relevant previous learning.

The College encourages the recognition of knowledge, expertise and skills acquired prior to entry onto an occupational therapy accredited pre-registration programme. The College's position statement on Accreditation of Prior (Experiential Learning (AP(E)L) provides guidance to both education providers and students to ensure that AP(E)L procedures employed are able to withstand the requirements and scrutiny of both the College and external statutory bodies.