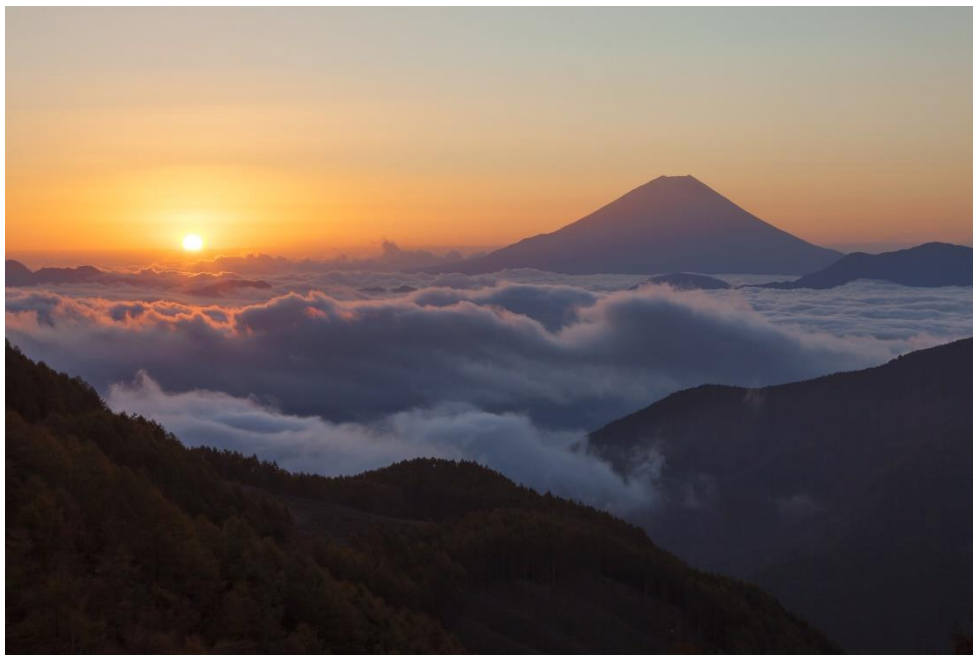




**Amatsu**  **ORTHOPATHIC**

**Academy**



***Amatsu Orthopath  
Student application***





Thank you for enquiring about Amatsu Orthopathy. Amatsu Orthopathy is a hands on course of which the duration of four years, will be attending twenty days each year, with ourselves in Hartlepool, you will be working through the modules according to the curriculum, alongside completing homework's and case studies, practical and written assessments at the end of each year. You then can register with the GRCCT <http://www.grcct.org/about-us/>

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**Training to be an Amatsu Orthopath practitioner quickly establishes you with a professional and sustainable career:**

- Amatsu is a totally unique soft tissue therapy that blends ancient Japanese techniques within a modern western scientific framework.
- In your first two years, you will learn comprehensive body function assessment techniques, such as muscle and orthopaedic testing, palpation and listening skills. You will learn in detail about the muscles and ligaments of the body, but also about spinal balancing, tendons, nerves, proprioception and the major systems of the body (e.g.: digestive, endocrine and circulatory.) Then continuing into your third year learning the organs of the body, their muscular and Ligamentous attachments, and fourth year cranial system of the body which will include neurology, Cranio dental connections and pre and post natal care with infant cranial and body alignment.
- Your training will be focussed on looking beyond the immediate physical symptomology and identifying the bigger picture of the root causes of any condition.
- The ATA (Amatsu Therapy Association) and myself actively regulate and encourage constant personal skill development opportunities with our approved Continual Professional Development (CPD) courses. You will be in a supported group environment where you never stop learning and improving your skills! We all continue learning together, as we are required to complete 4 days per year of CPD to maintain your ATA membership and professional practitioner status.

**The course has been specifically designed to suit people from all backgrounds who may already be working or have other time commitments:**

- The course is structured to suit people who already have other commitments. It is delivered through a combination of supervised teaching days, distance learning, written homework assignments and practical case studies.
- The most important attribute you need is a passion for working with people and learning about the human body!
- The course has been specifically designed so that applications from therapists qualified in other fields, and those with no experience can be taught side by side, pertaining you have level three and above qualifications.



**The course is structured to balance twenty classroom teaching days with personal study time.**

- The course consists of four academic training years. There are twenty teaching days in each academic year consisting of sixteen teaching days, a one-day revision and two/three days of practical and theoretical exams.
- Teaching is in four-day blocks Friday through to Monday. Between courses, you will be required to complete written homework assignments and practical case studies which all count towards your final qualification.
- You should allow as a minimum approximately 10 hours per week for your personal study time and practical case studies. If you have no previous experience in this field, you will need closer to 15 hours per week.

**Amatsu UK Ltd will provide you with excellent support through our ATA approved teaching team combined with the latest research and developments in Amatsu therapy.**

- First and foremost you are guaranteed that your training is accredited by the ATA and that you will be using the most up to date learning materials. You will also benefit from Dennis Bartram and Gill Scott's extensive clinical and teaching experience. Joining them are teachers are Chris Bartram, Dennis's son, who is qualified as a practitioner and has been following his father's teachings over the last ten years and James Skidmore a very experience practitioner whom alongside Chris has personal mentoring from Dennis.
- You will be taught from the new practical workbooks that Dennis has exclusively developed for the ATA. These workbooks feature comprehensive hand drawn technique and anatomical pictures with documented step by step explanations. In addition you will also be taught from the new and current ATA modules, available only at ATA approved schools.
- Amatsu UK Ltd has a unique teaching team combining extensive experience and diverse skills. (Please see the teacher biographies.)
- In order to provide you with a well-rounded professional qualification other external industry experts will be speaking on additional supporting topics. (Further details will follow.)

**Amatsu Therapy Association Approved teachers are rigorously trained and mentored by Dennis Bartram:**

- The ATA is the authentic and original governing body and training agency for qualified Amatsu therapy practitioners with a heritage unparalleled in the Amatsu world. As such, you can be assured that all registered therapists you come in contact with are thoroughly trained, up to date with their CPD and have trained with Dennis regularly.
- Once qualified, as an ATA member you will have access to on-going advanced tuition and research on specialised subjects. This is vital if you are to be the best practitioner you can be!



All teachers approved by the ATA comply with rigorous training expectations and are committed to researching and developing Amatsu. All ATA teachers are highly trained and skilled, hold recognised teaching credentials and benefit from continual training and annual mentoring

## Meet the team:



## Dennis Bartram – ATA Chair, Principal Trainer:



The Amatsu Orthopathic training is an in-depth theoretical and practical course that has been developed over the last 25 years by Dennis Bartram. Dennis was taught the fundamental ‘heart feeling’ and techniques of Amatsu by Dr. Hatsumi, which he has researched and translated into a modern western framework taught today only by Amatsu Therapy Association (ATA) approved schools.

Dennis Bartram is a fellow of the Association and acting Chairman as well as being the Principal Trainer. He has enjoyed 44 years as a practitioner and has recently retired from his busy clinic; teaching courses in England and Ireland and advanced mentoring of future research.

Dennis’ journey began in 1969 when he qualified in Swedish remedial massage. This introduction to the complexities of the human body inspired him to further his studies and, in 1974, he began his practice in remedial sports massage and manipulative therapy. He then went on to qualify as an Osteopath in 1984

In the 1970s Dennis had also begun to study Japanese karate. During his studies, he discovered many of the Japanese masters of karate were also doctors of Japanese medicine. In 1985 he began to study an ancient form of Japanese warrior principles. The grandmaster of this school was Dr Masaaki Hatsumi who was the holder of ancient scrolls of nine schools of martial arts and a school of ancient medicine and practised as a Japanese Osteopath

Dennis watched in awe as a man 20 years his senior worked with ease and fingertip precision to lock his opponents in tangled body configurations. He observed Hatsumi as he practised as an Osteopath and a martial teacher. Hatsumi explained that Budo and Medicine were one concept and told him to study and learn from nature and that natural movement was all that was required to maintain health and to defend oneself effectively in combat

That day in 1986 changed Dennis’ outlook forever. He had found his mentor, a man who practised his hobby and his occupation and described them as being one. For the next ten years he incorporated the Martial and medicine principles of Hatsumi into his practice.

Dr. Hatsumi acknowledged his research in 1995 and granted him a Menkyo Kaiden (Master teacher) to the ancient medicine school of Hi Chi Buko Goshin Jutsu. On that eventful day he painted a special calligraphy “Kabito Sashi”, depicting that Dennis had special and mysterious hands. This calligraphy has been adopted as the signature of Amatsu. Over the next 15 years Dennis received personal guidance and tuition from Dr. Hatsumi. In 2016 he received a lifetime achievement award from Hatsumi.



## Gill Scott – Amatsu Orthopath, Teacher, Amatsu UK Ltd:



Gill is a shining example of the benefits of Amatsu correction and maintenance; she started her journey back in Amatsu in 1998, as a client of Dennis Bartram's. After having had three separate car accidents and permanently wearing a cervical collar for five years, she booked her first Amatsu therapy balance with Dennis.

Dennis explained to Gill how the human body is connected, and how her injuries had impacted her body. She was very impressed by the dramatic improvements that she felt by her third treatment and shortly after began her apprenticeship with Dennis. She has been a qualified Amatsu Therapy practitioner since 2003 and a teacher since 2008.

This includes becoming the secretary of Amatsu UK Ltd where she has worked alongside Dennis creating the workbooks for the courses, for the last seventeen years. She has attended and assisted Dennis on his courses since 2001. Her passion for researching and compiling the workbooks reflects in the clarity and understanding she has of the fundamentals.

Gill's background also includes qualifying as a Reflexologist and a Cranio Sacral Therapist in 2003 and a practitioner of Neuro Linguistic Programming in 2009 and 2018. She has also been studying Budo Taijutsu since 1999 and has visited Dr Hatsumi in Japan five times for tutoring. Most recently attending the Theil Dissection Course in Dundee University.

Her approach to teaching reflects the experience of her journey from client, to practitioner, to teacher, utilising the skills of self-maintenance and movement. Which includes natural movement principles she has a unique gift for rapport and compassion with the students; she identifies and reinforces student's unique learning styles.

She is a City and Guilds, level four qualified teacher

## Chris Bartram, Amatsu Orthopath and Teacher



Chris Bartram qualified as a Sports Therapist in 2011. Since then he has undergone many post graduate courses, such as Neural Manipulation, specialist treatment of whiplash and Impact injuries, New Manual Articular approach (upper limb, lower limb, spine and pelvis) and ongoing training from his father [Dennis Bartram](#), studying and becoming qualified in Amatsu Therapy and Ligamentous Articular Balancing Technique (LAB)

Chris continues to study alongside his father attending courses ran by Dennis, such as, the Ligament Articular Balancing or Ligament LAB series, as well as courses on Amatsu Therapy. Chris also attends continual development seminars including courses on treatment modalities used by Sports Therapists and Physiotherapists, and attends courses ran by French Osteopath [Jean Pierre Barral](#).

More recently has attended two Human Dissection courses with the Theil method at Dundee University.

Chris is an honorary member of Health awareness Inc. and is also part of the English Martyrs School and Sixth Form College Sports Stars Academy, assessing, treating and helping to educate the athletes within the programme to the importance of good alignment in maintaining good health and optimum performance.

Chris has an insatiable thirst for learning and researching, to gain a better understanding and contributing to Amatsu's evolution.

Chris has excellent rapport with his clients and interacts with them by text and social media.

Chris is now co researching with a local dentist on maintenance and correction of Temporomandibular jaw problems.

He has a unique skill of simplifying the complex and has penned patient explanatory leaflets for the Amatsu Therapy Association.



## James Skidmore Amatsu Orthopath and Teacher



James has been lucky enough to closely study and be mentored under Dennis Bartram for the last ten years in all aspects of the art.

He is a fully qualified Amatsu Orthopath with a busy practise in Hartlepool. James currently holds a fourth Dan grade in Budo martial arts. He also holds a Degree in Sports coaching and Science.

Alongside Chris, Gill and Dennis he has attended many different post graduate courses which include, Jean Pierre Barrell's neural manipulation, whiplash and injuries and more recently attended two Theil Human dissection courses at Dundee University.

James brings to the class his vast knowledge, his clear explanations are reflected by his very busy practice, of which he can advise new students of the development of their studies and clinics! He simplifies the intrinsic factors of Amatsu to a student level.



## Dates for the Amatsu Therapy starting in 2019

Anma course	Date	content
<b>Module one and two</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	Introduction to Anma massage, switching, muscle testing, asymmetry range and texture. foot, ankle and lower leg
<b>Module three and four</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Knee, upper leg, Femoral head, pelvis
<b>Module five and six</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2019	Pelvis and sacrum, Spine and ribs
<b>Module seven and eight</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Hand, wrist, elbow and shoulder, Neck, sterno clavicular joint
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Module one and two	6 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	The foot and Knee
Module three and four	8 <sup>th</sup> to 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Femoral heads and pelvis
<b>Module five and six</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	Spine and Ribs, arms shoulders and upper extremities
<b>Module seven and eight</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	Supra clavicular triangle and cranium
<b>Revision day</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	Revision
<b>Theory and practical assessment</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	Practical assessment, two written assessments

Shinden Course	Date	Content
Module one	12 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Thoracic inlet, Lungs, Heart and Diaphragm
Module two	14 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Liver, Gallbladder, Stomach and Spleen
Module three	2 <sup>nd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Kidneys, Intestines
Module four	10 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Urogenital organs
Revision day	11 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Revision
Theory and practical assessment	12 <sup>th</sup> , 13, 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Practical assessment and written paper
Kenku Course	Date	Content
Module one	TBC 2022	Cranial bones, TMJ, SBS and Dural torsion
Module two	TBC 2022	Cranial neurology, spinal nerves
Module three	TBC 2022	Cranio dental connections
Module four	TBC 2022	Pre natal care, infant cranial and body alignment
Theory and practical assessment	TBC 2022	Practical assessment and written paper

**Venue:**

The Marine Hotel, The Front, Seaton Carew, Hartlepool TS25 1BS

<http://www.marinehotel-hartlepool.com/conferences>



## Investment:

Your investment for the four-year course is £20,000, payable in four annual instalments. A £500 non-refundable deposit is required once application has been approved. Instalments throughout the course can be arranged please contact the office for details.

We as a School are regulated by the Amatsu Therapy Association/Amatsu Orthopathic Association

Course criteria as required by are the following:

All applicants must be educated to level three and above.

You must join the Amatsu Therapy Association (ATA/AOA) [www.amatsu.info](http://www.amatsu.info)

As code of Ethics that all members are CRB checked as practicing students/members should have no criminal record.

You must purchase insurance from Balens Insurance Ltd, they have a block scheme in place for Amatsu Orthopath student status. <http://www.balens.co.uk/>

You will also require the following books for the course:

Trail Guide to the Body and Ross

[http://www.amazon.co.uk/Trail-Guide-Body-Locate-Muscles/dp/0982978650/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1415802843&sr=8-1&keywords=trail+guide+to+the+body](http://www.amazon.co.uk/Trail-Guide-Body-Locate-Muscles/dp/0982978650/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1415802843&sr=8-1&keywords=trail+guide+to+the+body) there are several sellers check out the price difference

Wilson Anatomy and Physiology,

[http://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/offer-listing/0702053252/ref=tmm\\_pap\\_new\\_olp\\_sr?ie=UTF8&condition=new&sr=8-1&qid=1415802942](http://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/offer-listing/0702053252/ref=tmm_pap_new_olp_sr?ie=UTF8&condition=new&sr=8-1&qid=1415802942)

Both are available on Amazon.

To apply for your place on the course, could you complete the application form and terms and conditions and send an up to date CV. We will then contact you to discuss your application.

Looking forward to hearing from you

Dennis and Gill



Amatsu Orthopath Application form 2019

<b>Full name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Date of birth:</b>	
<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Mobile:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Current Employment:</b>	
<b>Educational background (continue on separate sheet if needed)</b>	



**Medical /Health or Social conditions which may impact on your ability to complete the course and/or practice Amatsu?**

**Have you under current or previous trading titles been convicted of any criminal offence, other than motoring, or are there any prosecutions pending?**

**Why do you want to do the course?**

**What personal qualities do you have to help you complete the course?**



**Please describe how you will integrate the time commitment and workload into your current lifestyle?**

**What difficulties do you anticipate in studying and completing the course?  
How do you think you will be able to overcome them?**

**Do you have any specific learning needs?**

**Declaration:**

**I confirm that the above information is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.**

**Signed:**



## Amatsu UK Ltd Course Booking Terms and Conditions

1. Bookings must be made by e mail, via the Amatsu UK Ltd website, letter or telephone. Telephone bookings must be confirmed in writing within seven days.
2. Deposits are non-refundable. You are entitled to request a refund of all monies paid within the first seven days of enrolment under the Distance Selling Regulations. This application must be made in writing to our Head Office. Any course materials must be returned in unused condition, at the applicant's expense. Any used course materials will be deducted from the refund. Failure to cancel within seven days of enrolment will commit you to pay the course fees.
3. Payment in full should be made at least six weeks prior to course start date or in advance with your booking. Payment of fees by instalments is possible upon request.
4. If you have to cancel your course the following charges will apply:
  - Two to four weeks prior to course-75% of total course fee
  - Less than two weeks prior to course-full fee-i.e. no refund
5. Request for cancellation must be in writing and received by Amatsu UK Ltd by the due date.
6. If you do not attend a course and have not previously informed us in writing as set out above, the full course fee remains payable.
7. If you arrive late for a course or are absent from any session, we reserve the right to refuse to accept you for training if we feel you will gain insufficient knowledge or skill in the time remaining. In all such cases the full course fee remains payable.
8. On occasion for unforeseen circumstances Amatsu UK Ltd may find it necessary:
  - Tutors may be changed without prior notice in instances of unforeseen circumstances. The location and date of the course will be as advised to you at the time of booking. Amatsu UK Ltd reserves the right to change the location of the course and will advise you as soon as this change is known.



9. In the unlikely event that you need to retake a subject you will be entered for the next available exam date. This will be subject to the current fees which are charged by the examining body.
  
10. You accept that it is your responsibility to verify that the courses you apply for are suitable for your requirements and that you have the necessary level of competence and prerequisite qualifications where necessary to be able to achieve the objectives of the course.
  
11. The copyright and all other intellectual property rights in all course materials shall remain the sole and exclusive property of Amatsu UK Ltd. You undertake that you will not copy or permit the copying of course materials, nor disclose or permit the disclosure of, or sell or hire the same to third parties, nor use the same for running your own courses.
  
12. Due to the high costs involved in attending a training course, we strongly advise that you obtain insurance for the following:

Cancellation of training course  
Postponement of training course  
Travel  
Hotel/Accommodation

Name	Signature	Date