

The BPSC program aims to develop higher order critical thinking skills for the synthesis of complex information to deliver safe evidence-based care within private and public healthcare systems.

This program produces career-ready paramedics who are effective communicators and collaborators that are committed to personal and professional development, ethical practice, and culturally appropriate care.

Program Rules

Students are required to:

- Satisfactorily complete 24 credit points (24 mandatory courses) as listed in the standard progression to graduate from the program.
- Satisfactorily complete all courses within 7 years.
- Maintain satisfactory academic achiev

- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 4.

Applicants are advised to also address the following:

- [Assumed knowledge](#) expectations: English.
- Recommended Prior Study: One of Biology, Chemistry or Physics (Units 3 & 4, C) or equivalent.

Satisfaction of admission requirements does not guarantee admission. Places within the Bachelor of Paramedicine are limited by quota. Quota size is determined by the availability of clinical placements. Where the quota is filled, no further places will be offered.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

^ These are determined by the University for specific programs each Semester. The 2023 ATAR and tertiary entrance ranks are based on agreed QTAC schedules which assess formal study at Year 12 or [equivalent level](#), tertiary, preparatory, professional or vocational qualifications or work experience, as detailed in the QTAC Assessment of Qualifications Manual and QTAC Assessor Guidelines.

Adjustment factors may help you get into the program of your choice by increasing your entrance rank. The additional points don't apply to all applicants or all programs. Please read the information about UniSQ's [Adjustment Factors](#) carefully to find out what you may be eligible for.

Inherent requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that must be met in order to complete the program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the [requirements](#) for this program online.

Requirements for professional experience placements

Practical experience is an integral component of the program and each student is required to undertake a series of clinical placements to acquire the knowledge, skills and professional attributes necessary to practise as registered health practitioners.

Progression into practical courses is dependent upon a pass grade in theoretical and other practical courses which have been set as prerequisites.

Applicants must be willing to undertake and submit the requirements of the University of Southern Queensland and Queensland Ambulance Service for practical placement. Please refer to the applicable [Professional Practice Experience Handbook](#) for Paramedicine Students.

Mandatory Documents required prior to commencing ANY clinical placements in the program:

- Medical Assessment
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certificate (CPR)
- First Aid Certificate
- Blue Card or Working with Children Check
- UniSQ Student Declaration
- QAS Checklist
- COVID-19 Placement Declaration – must be completed and uploaded to InPlace once you are enrolled in each course prior to placement

All students must also provide the following immunisation evidence prior to commencing clinical placements:

- Hepatitis B seroconversion
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella immunisation evidence
- Varicella immunisation evidence
- Adult Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis immunisation evidence

- Influenza immunisation evidence
- Tuberculosis Skin Test
- COVID-19 Vaccination

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students' higher education and students pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [HECS-HELP](#).

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedule](#)

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, external or online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Program structure

The Bachelor of Paramedicine consists of 24 compulsory courses (24 units) studied full-time or part-time. Note that one course, consisting of 4 weeks full-time placement, must be taken in Semester 3 of the first year of study.

While placement courses are available in multiple semesters, enrolment in placement courses outside of the recommended enrolment pattern will require the permission of the Program Director.

Standard enrolment pattern – Standard 3 year progression

For students who commenced prior to Semester 1 2022 please refer to the [2021 Handbook](#)

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3
Year 1		
BIO1203 Human Anatomy and Physiology 1^E	BIO1206 Human Anatomy and Physiology 2^E	PMC1303 Paramedic Placement 1
PMC1101 Public Health	PMC1000 Applied Pathology	
PMC1110 Introduction to Paramedicine	PMC1200 Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice	
	PMC1202 Paramedic Skills 2	
Year 2		
PMC2000 Pharmacology for Paramedics	PMC2201 Multi Trauma	

PMC2102 Paramedic Skills 3	PMC2202 Paramedic Skills 4	
PMC2111 Cardiovascular Conditions and Emergencies	PMC2211 Behavioural Conditions and Emergencies	
PMC2112 Respiratory Conditions and Emergencies	PMC2203 Paramedic Placement 2	
Year 3		
PMC3000 Ethics, Law and Culture for Healthcare Professionals	PMC3220 Applied Paramedicine 1	

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Recommended Enrolment Pattern - Full-time (f

Recommended Enrolment Pattern - Part-time (for students commencing from 2022)

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								PMC2211 Pre-requisite or Co-requisite: PMC3220

Footnotes

- £ In Semester 3, 2023 this course will be delivered as a Transition (9 week) semester, commencing on 13 November 2023 and concluding on 12 January 2024
- * Mandatory residential school for external students
- ‡ Course lectures will be held at Ipswich with course laboratories at Springfield
- # Four weeks full-time placement
- ^ Five weeks full-time placement