

Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	Course Title		Dip HE Paramedic Science
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code	US0819
3	Awarding Institution		Birmingham City University
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)		
5	Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)		Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)

6	Course Description
	<p>This accelerated course has been specially designed for currently practicing pre-hospital care practitioners from a range of backgrounds; including Institute of Health Care and Development (IHCD) Ambulance Technicians, Associate Ambulance Practitioner (AAP) and Combat Medical Technicians (CMT1), to prepare for practice as a paramedic.</p> <p>On successful completion you will be eligible to apply for registration with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) as a Paramedic.</p> <p>This course will enable you to become a knowledgeable, skilled and competent Paramedic - able to practice both within the NHS and other sectors.</p> <p>You'll need to apply directly to the University for this course.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed in partnership with students and practice partners, the course aims to produce suitably qualified Paramedic graduates who are fit for practice and capable of life-long learning. We aim to provide students with a supportive environment allowing you to develop personally and professionally in order to meet the needs of modern Paramedic practice The course requires significant engagement in clinical practice, working with mentors to meet the day-to-day challenges of the job, whilst developing pre-hospital care skills Paramedic practice requires quick thinking, initiative and great team working skills, so you are trained to work independently and with professional colleagues developing interpersonal and communication skills A variety of teaching approaches are used including immersive classroom simulations, using specialists from other professions within the faculty in an inter-professional learning environment and using our extensive skills facilities On successful course completion, students have eligibility to apply for registration with the Health and Care Professions Council.

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Diploma of Higher Education Paramedic Science	5	240
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Certificate of Higher Education Studies in Health Care	4	120

8	Derogation from the University Regulations		
	1. For modules with more than one item of assessment, all items of assessment must be passed in order to pass the module 2. Compensation of marginally failed modules is not permitted 3. Condonement of failed modules is not permitted 4. Students must pass 'Transition to Academic and Professional Practice' in order to progress to Level 5 5. The following item of assessment within the module has a higher pass threshold:		
	Module	Item of Assessment	Pass Threshold
	Transition to Paramedic Practice	Drug Calculation	100% pass mark

9	Delivery Patterns		
	Mode(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study
	Full Time	City Centre	2 years
			Code
			US0819

10	Entry Requirements		
	The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at https://www.bcu.ac.uk/ or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website.		

11	Course Learning Outcomes
	By the end of this course, students will:
1	Become ambitious, enthusiastic learners and critical, rational thinkers, who are confident, adaptable and capable practitioners who can use their knowledge to support others.
2	Demonstrate a range of intellectual and diplomatic skills, supported by a reflective approach to learning and the ability to undertake critical enquiry.
3	Be ready to take their place as an engaged, active, co-operative and responsible citizen in local and global society.
4	Be able to adapt to different contexts, settings and cultures both in the contemporary pre-hospital care and wider health care settings.
5	Act professionally, compassionately and respectfully in caring for diverse patient groups.
6	Communicate effectively with patients, carers, workplace and wider healthcare teams.
7	Be able to use leadership, delegation and supervisory skills to improve service delivery in changing environments and contribute to change.
8	Develop the ability to appraise research findings and deliver care using the best available current evidence, through a commitment to continuing professional development and lifelong learning.
9	Be readily employable, and well-equipped for active lifelong learning and the professional world of paramedic practice.
10	Apply the appropriate knowledge and skills to professional practice in order to demonstrate the standards set by the Health and Care Professions Council and the College of Paramedics.