

Bachelor of Paramedicine



Sunshine Coast, Semester 1 2023

Program structure

Introductory courses (9) 108 units

HLT100 Anatomy and Physiology
HLT103 Professional Health Communication
LFS103 Introductory Bioscience
PAR101 Paramedic Professional Studies
PAR102 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Clinical Foundations
PAR103 Paramedic Foundation Practicum 1
PSY103 Applied Psychology in Health Care
PUB112 Public Health Foundations
SCI110 Science Research Methods

Developing (9) 108 units

BIM263 Introduction to Pharmacology
HLT221 Human Pathophysiology
PAR200 Paramedic Primary Healthcare - Cardiology
PAR201 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Community Paramedicine
PAR202 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Medical
PAR203 Paramedic Clinical Practicum 2
PAR204 Paramedic Primary Healthcare - Respiratory and Immunology
PAR212 Paramedic Primary Healthcare - Trauma
PAR222 Legal and Ethical Practice in EMS (Emergency Medical Services)

Graduate courses (6) 72 units

HLT301 Contexts of Practice: Mental Health Care
PAR301 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Maternal and Neonatal Health
PAR302 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Substance Use and Toxicology
PAR311 Leadership in Clinical Practice
PAR312 Paramedic Clinical Practicum 3
PAR321 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Transition to Practice

Note: Program structures are subject to change. Not all UniSC courses are available on every UniSC campus.

Total units: 288

Study sequence

Year 1

Semester 1

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|
| HLT103 Professional Health Communication | • Semester 1, Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: Must be enrolled in SC391, |

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| LFS103 Introductory Bioscience | • Semester 1, Semester 2 | 12 | SC393 or SC395, SC306 or SC017 Anti: LFS100 The online course offering is not available to students enrolled in a Bachelor of Nursing or Bachelor of Midwifery due to external accreditation. |
| PAR101 Paramedic Professional Studies | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: Enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PSY103 Applied Psychology in Health Care | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: Enrolled in Program SC395, SC306, AR374, AR403 or AR405 |

Semester 2

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|---|
| HLT100 Anatomy and Physiology | • Semester 1, Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: Enrolled in Program SC010, SC108, ED312, ED315, SC306, SC347, SC367, SC391, SC392, SC393 or Applied Environmental Health Extended Major or Health and Physical Education Major Anti: (LFS112 or LFS201 or LFS202) and LFS122) or SPX103 |
| PAR102 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Clinical Foundations | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: PAR101 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PUB112 Public Health Foundations | • Semester 2 | 12 | |
| SCI110 Science Research Methods | • Semester 1, Semester 2 | 12 | Anti: SCI201 or CPH261 |

Session 8

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|--|
| PAR103 Paramedic Foundation Practicum 1 | • Session 8 | 12 | Pre: PAR101 and PAR102 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |

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Year 2

Semester 1

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|--|
| HLT221 Human Pathophysiology | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: LFS112 or HLT100 and enrolled in Program SC211, SC304, SC306, SC367, SC391, SC392, SC394, SC395, SC346 or UB001 Anti: LFS203 or LFS303 or NUR221 or PAR221 |
| PAR200 Paramedic Primary Healthcare - Cardiology | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: HLT100(or both LFS112 and LFS122) and PAR103 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PAR201 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Community Paramedicine | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: HLT100 or (LFS112 and LFS122) and PAR103 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PAR204 Paramedic Primary Healthcare - Respiratory and Immunology | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: (PAR103 and HLT100) or (LFS112 and LFS122) and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 Co: PAR200 |

Semester 2

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|---|
| BIM263 Introduction to Pharmacology | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: LFS201 or LFS203 or (LFS112 and LFS122) or (HLT100 and enrolled in SC395 or SC306) Anti: BIM261 |
| PAR202 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Medical | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: (PAR211 or PAR204) and HLT221 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PAR212 Paramedic Primary Healthcare - Trauma | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: PAR211 or PAR204 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |

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| PAR222 Legal and Ethical Practice in EMS (Emergency Medical Services) | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: PAR101 and PAR103 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
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Session 8

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|--|
| PAR203 Paramedic Clinical Practicum 2 | • Session 8 | 12 | Pre: PAR103 and PAR202 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |

Year 3

Semester 1

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|---|
| HLT301 Contexts of Practice: Mental Health Care | • Session 1 | 12 | Pre: NUR141, NUR117, HLT207 or PAR103 Anti: PAR341 or NUR301 |
| PAR301 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Maternal and Neonatal Health | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: PAR202 and PAR212 and enrolled in the Program SC395 or SC306 or HLT202 and enrolled in the Program SC393 |
| PAR311 Leadership in Clinical Practice | • Semester 1 | 12 | Pre: PAR102 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |

Semester 2

| COURSE | SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST) | UNITS | REQUISITES |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|--|
| PAR302 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Substance Use and Toxicology | • Online: Session 5 | 12 | Pre: BIM263 and HLT221 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PAR312 Paramedic Clinical Practicum 3 | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: PAR203 and PAR301 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |
| PAR321 Paramedic Primary Healthcare: Transition to Practice | • Semester 2 | 12 | Pre: PAR203 and PAR301 and enrolled in Program SC395 or SC306 |

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Program requirements and notes

In order to graduate you must:

- Successfully complete 288 units as outlined in the Program Structure

To undertake Clinical practicum in Queensland with QAS and other health care facilities, you must meet the Mandatory Requirements by Week 13 of Semester 1.

Before undertaking clinical placements with the Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) and other clinical placement providers, students must meet the mandatory requirements by Week 13 of Semester 1::

- Satisfactorily complete a health and medical assessment with approved providers,
- Complete a health-related fitness assessment with approved providers,
- Provide evidence of Hepatitis B immunity or inability to seroconvert,
- Satisfactorily complete a National Criminal History Check,
- Obtain a current Apply (Senior) First Aid and CPR certificate,
- Obtain a current Mental Health First Aid certificate, and
- Obtain a Suitability Card (Blue Card Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian - CCYPCG).

For more information about Clinical Practicum and the Mandatory Requirements checklist refer to Paramedic Science – Clinical Practicum.

Students can access important information about clinical placement with the Queensland Ambulance Service on their website as well <https://www.ambulance.qld.gov.au/clinicalplacements.html>.

Students may be required to complete up to 50% of their clinical placements outside of the Sunshine Coast Region.

Note: Students are required to commence action of the above requirements immediately after enrolling. Hepatitis B immunity can take up to six months to determine and the processing of your USC Blue Card can take up to 12 weeks.

Program notes

- Courses within this program are assessed using a variety of assessment methods, including case studies, essays, seminar presentations, reports, in-class tests, clinical scenarios (OSCA's) and examinations. Not all courses will necessarily include all methods.
- The Study Overseas Program is not currently available to paramedic students.
- Completing this program within the specified (full-time) duration is based on studying 48 unit points per semester (normally 4 courses) and following the recommended study sequence
- The unit value of all courses is 12 units unless otherwise specified
- It is each students responsibility to enrol correctly according to your course requisites, program rules and requirements and be aware of the academic calendar dates
- Students will be required to cover all additional costs associated with this program. Information outlining the current requirements will be made available to all prospective applicants, and students will be provided more detailed information on starting the program.
- Some courses within this program must be completed over the Summer and Winter Semesters and require students to commit to full-time unpaid employment.
- Not available to international students on a Student Visa.
- Refer to the Managing your progression page for help in understanding your program structure, reviewing your progress and planning remaining courses
- Students may be required to complete up to 50% of their clinical placements outside of the Sunshine Coast Region.