

## Bachelor of Paramedicine (BPSC) - BParamed New

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Ipswich campus: 926152

	On-campus <sup>^</sup>
<b>Semester intake:</b>	Semester 1 (February)
<b>Campus:</b>	Ipswich
<b>Fees:</b>	Commonwealth supported place
<b>Standard duration:</b>	3 years full-time

### Footnotes

<sup>^</sup> This program will be available as a first year entry program at Ipswich campus only in 2015.

### Contact us

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### Professional accreditation

There is no mandatory professional accreditation for awards in the paramedic area.

USQ has obtained Preliminary Accreditation from The Council of Ambulance Authorities (CAA). Advancement to Provisional Accreditation from CAA is in progress.

Membership will be sought with Paramedics Australasia.

### Program aims

The Bachelor of Paramedicine will graduate paramedics who can effectively function as graduate paramedics within the health care system.

Further, the program will graduate paramedics who have a strong foundation of relevant and necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes, which will enable them to effectively and safely manage patients within the pre-hospital environment.

Finally, our graduates will be committed to the ethos of pre-hospital care, personal development, professionalism and life-long learning.

### Program objectives

Graduates of this program, through successful completion of the course objectives, will exhibit the following knowledge, qualities, skills and abilities:

- (1) Understand the basic and clinical sciences and be able to apply them to deliver safe and quality care within the pre-hospital environment.
- (2) Have the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to identify and manage common and serious illness.
- (3) Incorporate research and evaluation into clinical practice and the delivery of pre-hospital care.
- (4) Direct their own learning and evaluate their own performance before and after graduation.
- (5) Maintain an understanding of information technology, sources of evidence and its application to practice.

(6) Apply the highest legal, ethical and professional standards in their practice of pre-hospital care.

### **Australian Qualifications Framework**

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 07. Graduates at this level will have broad and coherent knowledge and skills for professional work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting [www.aqf.edu.au](http://www.aqf.edu.au).

### **Admission requirements**

To be eligible for admission to the program applicants are required to have Australian Year 12 or equivalent with English (4,SA); plus recommended study of one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics.

Domestic and International Applicants from a non-English speaking background are required to satisfy [English language requirements](#).

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

### **Program fees**

#### **Commonwealth supported place**

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of your higher education and you as a student pay a [student contribution amount](#)

## Clinical requirements

A student must comply with all Queensland Ambulance Service or other student placement organisation requirements before and during placements.

### (1) **Subject to the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1992 (QLD)***

- Before starting placement in Year 1 a student must complete the placement requirements of the Queensland Ambulance Service or other student placement organisation;
- Prior to starting a placement in Year 2 and 3 of the program a student must complete and undertake clinical placement form; and if required
- A student must attend a consultation with a medical practitioner acceptable to the University; and
- If, after considering the answers to the placement requirements, the fitness to undertake clinical placement form, and the report from the medical practitioner (if any), the University decides that the student is unable to fulfil the genuine educational requirements of the program, the University may cancel the student's enrolment.

### (2) **Blood-borne virus**

A carrier of a blood-borne virus must not undertake invasive procedures. Before commencing placement, a student must provide evidence of their status with respect to blood-borne viruses.

### (3) **Medical Assessment**

#### **Validity: 3 years**

The Medical Assessment is comprised of a health related questionnaire to be completed by the student and a medical assessment performed by a Medical Officer (from a QAS approved Medibank Health Solutions Clinic) using the QAS Medical Assessment - Under



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