

Cert HE Ambulance Studies

The Certificate of Higher Education in Ambulance Studies provides the basic level of training to become an **Ambulance Technician** with the Scottish Ambulance Service.

The programme is delivered over a 12 month period during which you will spend your first 10 weeks at Glasgow Caledonian University. Modules studied in the first year include **Foundations for Clinical Practice, Interprofessional Education, Pathophysiology, Clinical Skills** and **Patient Assessment and Management**.

After the 10 week period you will progress to an ambulance station to undertake "practice placement". This is where the skills you have developed will be honed in clinical practice. You will be allocated a mentor and Practice Placement Educator to help provide support, guidance and feedback on your progress.

There will be a wide range of approaches to learning to ensure that you are able to achieve the learning outcomes from each module. 50% of the programme will be spent developing your practical skills both within clinical simulation and practice placement. In addition you will have access to learning support and the blackboard virtual learning environment.

During the 12 month period you will also undertake a range of assessments including Objectively Structured Clinical Examinations, Reflective Diary, Exams, Assignments and a Practice Placement Portfolio.

In total you will be expected to contribute 1500 hours of learning over the 12 month period.

On successful completion of your programme you will receive an exit award of a Certificate of Higher Education in Ambulance Studies.

In addition to the Cert HE programme you will also undertake a 1 week employment Induction and 3 week Emergency Response Driving course

ENTRY CRITERIA

Academic	2 Highers (Grade C) 5 Standard Grades (Level 3) preferably to include English and a Science Or Equivalent
Overseas Applicants	Average IELTS Score of 7
Criminal Conviction Checks	Membership of PVG Scheme (previously Enhanced Disclosure)
Health	Occupational Health Assessment Scottish Ambulance Service Fitness Test
Interview	Joint Employment Interview Panel Operations and Scottish Ambulance Academy
Driving	C1 is an employment requirement. Exceptional candidates without C1 may be eligible for financial assistance. In all cases an offer of employment will not be made until C1 is obtained. Holders of C1 will be required to undertake a pre-employment driving assessment.

This programme also constitutes the 1st year of the Dip HE in Paramedic Practice. Students wishing to progress to paramedic status will be required to apply when vacancies arise to move into the 2nd year of the programme.

Further Information:

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