

# Dip HE Paramedic Practice

The Diploma of Higher Education in Paramedic Practice leads to eligibility to apply to the Health Professions Council for **Paramedic Registration**.

The programme is delivered over a 12 month period during which you will spend a total of 10 weeks at Glasgow Caledonian University. These 10 weeks are divided into 2, five week blocks. Modules studied during the first block include **Advanced Pathophysiology, Leadership in Paramedic Practice and Developing Paramedic Practice**.

After the first 5 week period you will progress into Practice Placement for 21 weeks. During this period you will continue to undertake mentored practice contributing to a total of 750 hours which must be completed during the 12 month period. You will be allocated a mentor and Practice Placement Educator to help provide support, guidance and feedback on your progress. In addition you will be required to undertake a minimum of 4 weeks placement at a designated training station.

After 21 weeks you will be required to attend University for a further 5 week block during which you will take modules in: **Advanced Clinical Skills and Patient Assessment and Management in Paramedic Practice**. This will again be followed by a further 21 week practice placement during which you will undertake the remaining number of mentored placement hours. 200 of these will be undertaken in a range of non-ambulance clinical placement areas.

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.

## ENTRY CRITERIA

Academic	IHCD Technician with Completed "Module J" or IHCD Technician with incorporated "Module J" (Post April 2009)
Overseas Applicants	Average IELTS Score of 7
Criminal Conviction Checks	Protection of Vulnerable Groups Checks
Health	Occupational Health Assessment
Interview	Joint Employment Interview Panel Operations and Scottish Ambulance Academy
Employment	Applicants will only be admitted to the Dip HE Paramedic Practice having accepted an offer of employment to fill an existing vacancy within an Operating Division.  All applications must be made using an NHS standard job application form.

On successful completion of your programme you will receive an exit award of a Diploma of Higher Education in Paramedic Practice. This leads to eligibility to apply for registration with the HPC.

Applicants are strongly advised to consult the programme information available on @SAS in the Education section prior to applying for entry onto the programme.

**Further Information:**  
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