

BACHELOR OF PARAMEDICINE (4790)

Western Sydney University Program Code: 4790
AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code: 107742F

This program applies to students who commenced in 2023 or later.

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

Commencement Year 2022 - 4669 Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedicine) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-health-science-paramedicine/>)

Commencement Year 2014 to 2021 - 4669.1 Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedicine) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=4669.1>)

Paramedics play an integral role in the health system, providing care to patients with acute, sub-acute and chronic health problems in diverse settings. Paramedics deliver unscheduled, out-of-hospital care to patients across the lifespan and spectrum of illness and injury. This contemporary course is anchored by a strong evidence-based foundation and considers clinical, research and leadership aspects of the profession utilising innovative learning, teaching and assessment strategies. Exposure to diverse clinical placements aids in development of high-level decision-making skills and critical self-care practice. Completion of the course will enable you to work effectively as a registered paramedic in traditional and emerging roles that may be associated with jurisdictional or private ambulance services, the defence forces, or other community-based primary health settings.

Note: This course involves a mandatory health and medical assessment that must be completed prior to enrolling in 401067 Paramedic Practice 1 offered in Spring Year 1 and undertaking the associated ambulance service clinical placement. Students who are unable to pass the assessment by the end of Autumn session in the first year of the course will be required to take a leave of absence pending re-assessment in the following year, or transfer to an alternative health science degree such as 4656 Bachelor of Health Science. Placements will be undertaken throughout NSW and ACT according to availability, with all related expenses covered by the student.

Study Mode

Three years full-time

Program Advice

HealthSciences@westernsydney.edu.au (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/programs/bachelor-paramedicine/HealthSciences@westernsydney.edu.au>)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (<https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/>) | Local Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/>) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Campbelltown	Full Time	Internal	

Accreditation

The Western Sydney University Bachelor of Paramedicine is an accredited program of study by the Paramedicine Board of Australia. After graduating, students will be eligible to apply for registration as a Paramedic via the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

Inherent Requirements (http://www.uws.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_paramedical_courses/)

Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is a mandatory work component required for completion of this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

International students should also refer to the link below for more information and a link to the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/international_student_support/working_in_australia/work_integrated_learning/)

- Assumed knowledge: any 2 units of English; Mathematics
- Recommended studies: Biology

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Use the link below to apply via UAC..

<http://www.uac.edu.au/> (<https://www.uac.edu.au/>)

International applicants must apply directly to Western Sydney University via the International Office.

International students applying to The University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

For courses that will lead to AHPRA registered careers, such as Paramedicine, in The International English Language Testing System (IELTS), students are required to have a minimum score of 7.0 overall with a minimum score of 7.0 in Speaking and Listening, and 6.5 in Writing and Reading (or equivalents, in an acceptable English language test).

International Office (<http://www.uws.edu.au/international/>)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University

Special Requirements - NSW Health Legislative Pre-requisites

Student Compliance Information for all Health-Related Placements

To enrol in this program, students must meet Western Sydney University program requirements. To attend a health-related placement in this program, Special Legislative Requirements will be assessed from the first year of study.

Western Program Requirements

Visit the Special Requirements webpage for details about your program.

Special Requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/enrolment/special_requirements/)

Mandatory NSW Health student placement policy requirements

To be able to undertake placement in any NSW Health facility you must be assessed as compliant with NSW Health student placement policy in the first year of your program, regardless of when you expect to go on your first placement. Access and read the NSW Student Compliance Information Booklet

NSW Student Compliance Information Booklet (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0007/1647655/NSWH_Student_Compliance_Information_Booklet.pdf)

Please ensure that you

1. Find your existing National Police Check or apply for one
2. Gather documentary evidence of your vaccination history
3. Print and complete all relevant NSW Health forms relevant to the campus you are enrolled at or online enrolment requirements
4. Follow booklet instructions on how to have your compliance documents assessed by NSW health staff.

International students have additional requirements: the link to the booklet will inform you of these requirements.

School Requirements

Contact your School for further details regarding your School's requirements, if any, such as

- If you live outside of NSW or Australia and need to meet your state, territory or country's compliance requirements
- If you need to meet different state, territory or country compliance requirements.
- NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC) or other state equivalent, valid for your entire program.
- Current approved first aid certificate valid for your entire program - approved program providers can be found at the Government Training website
- <http://training.gov.au>
- Other non-health related requirements

Student Compliance Resources are also available on the Placements Hub web page (NSW students only)

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/learning_futures/home/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/learning_futures/home/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance/)

Recommended Sequence

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
NATS 1009	Human Anatomy and Physiology 1	10
PUBH 1006	Population Health and Society	10
HLTH 1013	Professional Competencies in Health	10
HLTH 1018	Paramedicine Foundations 1	10
Credit Points		40
2H session		
HLTH 1019	Paramedicine Foundations 2	10
Credit Points		10
Spring session		
NATS 1010	Human Anatomy and Physiology 2	10
COMM 1007	Communication in Health	10
HLTH 1012	Evidence in Health	10
Credit Points		30
Year 2		
1H session		
HLTH 2026	Paramedicine Care 1	10
HLTH 2027	Paramedicine Care of Diverse Patients 1	10
Credit Points		20
Autumn session		
NATS 2038	Pathophysiology 1	10
PUBH 2005	Culture, Diversity and Health	10
Credit Points		20
2H session		
HLTH 2028	Paramedicine Care 2	10
HLTH 2029	Paramedicine Care 3	10
HLTH 2030	Paramedicine Care of Diverse Patients 2	10
Credit Points		30
Spring session		
NATS 2008	Clinical Pharmacology	10
Credit Points		10
Year 3		
1H session		
HLTH 3024	Safety and Quality in Paramedicine	10
HLTH 3025	Paramedicine Trauma Care	10
HLTH 3021	Paramedicine Care 4	10
Credit Points		30
Autumn session		
HLTH 2024	Research Methods in Health	10
Credit Points		10
2H session		
HLTH 3022	Paramedicine Leadership	10
HLTH 3023	Integrated Paramedicine	20
Credit Points		30
Spring session		
HLTH 3018	Ethical and Legal Issues in Health Care	10
Credit Points		10
Total Credit Points		240

Equivalent Subjects

HLTH 1013 Professional Competencies in Health replaced HLTH 1010 Professional Health Competencies

HLTH 1012 Evidence in Health replaced HLTH 1001 Foundations of Evidence-Based Practice