

DIPLOMA IN PARAMEDICAL SCIENCE

Overview

NFQ Level 7, Major Award

Exit Award only

Upon successful completion of modules to the value of at least 120 credits in Years 1 and 2 of the **BSc (Hons) (Paramedic Studies)** (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bscpms/>) programme (including MD1004 Foundations in Paramedic Practice 1 MD1005 Foundations in Paramedic Practice 2, MD1006 Foundations in Paramedic Practice 3, MD1007 Foundations in Paramedic Practice 4, MD1008 Consolidated Learning in Practice 1, MD2001 Consolidated Learning in Practice 2 and MD2002 Consolidated Learning in Practice 3), students may opt to exit the programme and be awarded a Diploma in Paramedical Science (NFQ Level 7, Major Award).

Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

Programme Requirements

Students take modules to the value of at least **120** credits from the following modules in Years 1 and 2. Students must take the following modules: MD1004, MD1005, MD1006, MD1007, MD1008, MD2001 and MD2002.

| Code | Title | Credits |
|----------------------------|---|---------|
| Year 1 | | |
| <i>Part 1</i> ¹ | | |
| MD1004 | Foundations in Paramedic Practice 1 | 20 |
| <i>Part 2</i> ¹ | | |
| MD1005 | Foundations in Paramedic Practice 2 | 15 |
| MD1006 | Foundations in Paramedic Practice 3 | 15 |
| MD1007 | Foundations in Paramedic Practice 4 | 10 |
| <i>Part 3</i> ¹ | | |
| MD1008 | Consolidated Learning in Practice 1 | 15 |
| MD1009 | Paramedico-Legal Studies | 5 |
| Year 2 | | |
| MD2001 | Consolidated Learning in Practice 2 | 20 |
| MD2002 | Consolidated Learning in Practice 3 | 30 |
| MD2003 | Academic Writing, Information Technology and Evidence | 5 |
| MD2004 | Health Protection I | 5 |
| MD2005 | Principles of Human Structure for Practitioner Paramedics | 5 |
| MD2006 | Topographical Anatomy for Practitioner Paramedics | 5 |
| MD2007 | Research in Paramedic Practice I | 10 |

¹ Students must pass each Part in order to progress to the next Part. Students who do not pass a Part will be ineligible to proceed further in the programme.

Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Diploma in Paramedical Science (NFQ Level 7, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Describe and undertake comprehensive assessment and examination using a range of diagnostic skills and provide appropriate therapeutic interventions based on the clinical presentation;
- Identify the roles, responsibilities and support arrangements necessary to deliver emergency care;
- Define current regulations, guidelines and recommendations of their professional bodies (and employer), in relation to their professional practice;
- Demonstrate an appreciation of health and social care issues within a multidisciplinary context;
- Demonstrate a range of theoretical and practical knowledge, skills and communication methods throughout professional practice in order to work with the diversity of needs in society, in a non-discriminatory way, across the multifarious cultural, ethnical and age spectrums;
- Demonstrate good communication skills whilst working amongst teams that operate in emergency care;
- Illustrate exemplar qualities of leadership, followership and team working within the various intra-professional or inter-professional groups operating in emergency care;
- Reflect on practice, through a critical thinking, problem solving and enquiry-based approach.