

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Foundations of Paramedic Practice
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	4
4	Module Code	PAR4014

5	Module Overview
<p>The module focuses upon the principles and responsibilities that underpin fundamental safe practice for the paramedic.</p> <p>You will gain the underpinning evidence base to identify and demonstrate safe professional practice in the clinical setting as you are introduced to direct and indirect factors that influence patient care delivery. You will consider the impact of these and explore how relationships between health care professionals and patients/carers can be enhanced through effective communication strategies to achieve desirable and agreeable outcomes.</p> <p>This module will enable you to undertake dynamic risk assessment of incidents occurring in the clinical practice environment and become familiar with strategies to manage identified hazards.</p> <p>You will learn to recognise risk and developing appropriate techniques to remove, overcome or mitigate danger to the responding individual, patients, colleagues and bystanders within the working environment.</p> <p>This module will prepare you for operational practice as you study the principles of your own and patient safety within professional, legal and ethical boundaries.</p> <p>Many aspects of patient safety will be covered within this module with regards to environmental and human variables with a view to improving paramedic, patient and others safety and monitoring the quality of care given.</p> <p>A variety of teaching and learning methods will be used throughout this module, these include, keynote lectures, simulation and skills, action learning, problem based learning, individual and group tutorials, directed and self-directed study. Where appropriate sessions will be supported in the planning and delivery by the faculty Centre of Excellence in Posture, Movement & Handling team. A thematic approach to learning will allow the integration of different subject areas with the concept of caring for patients.</p> <p>This will be supported by use of the Faculty's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) / Moodle.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
	Constructing assignments Academic writing Academic searching Communication skills Clinical governance Emergency shifts Duty of care and accountability Health and safety at work Medicines management Equipment checking Infection control Sharps procedures Manual handling theory and practice Emergency control Scene assessments Crime scenes Human factors Stress mindfulness and debriefing Documentation Medical terminology Transporting patients Incident reporting De-escalation and conflict resolution

7	Module Learning Outcomes	
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:	
	1	Demonstrate knowledge of a safe approach to practice in a wide range of situations.
	2	Explain how systematic patient assessment influences patient management.
	3	Discuss how clinical communication strategies impact patient care within multi-disciplinary teams.
	4	Demonstrate knowledge of health and safety principles in clinical practice, including contemporary policies, guidance and procedures.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-4	X		

9 Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities	Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	40
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	60
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	100
Total Study Hours:	200