

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Advancing Clinical Practice
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	5
4	Module Code	PAR5016

5	Module Overview
<p>Forming part of the Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Paramedic Science, this level 5 module is intended to build on further from the fundamental knowledge and skills learnt at level 4 and allows you to work towards achieving further competencies outlined by the College of Paramedics' Curriculum Guidance and the Health and Care Professions Council Standards of proficiency: Paramedics. Furthermore, this module brings together the knowledge learnt in other level 5 modules allowing for subject knowledge to be applied in practice.</p> <p>The Clinical Practice modules at Birmingham City University are based on the core values of pursuing excellence, interdisciplinary, employability and are practice-led in a professional environment. Furthermore, they directly embody the programme philosophy and aims. Through a work based learning style approach this module credits the learning of clinical and non-technical skills while on the second year of placements and ultimately developing you towards an "industry ready" safe and effective practitioner.</p> <p>In this module you will be given a level 5 Practice Assessment Portfolio which includes clinical competencies to complete whilst in university and placement. You will liaise with your academic tutors and clinical mentors to ensure signing for skill competency and completion. Placement practice is an essential part of making you career and industry ready. It is imperative that you conduct yourself professionally at all times when applying yourself to placements and it is expected that you attend clinical placements that have been arranged. As a Paramedic student you are responsible for acting within your scope of practice as well as adhering to the HCPC's Guidance on conduct and ethics for students (2012). Should you fail to meet the expectations required then your fitness to practice may be called into question and may jeopardise your place on the course.</p> <p>The portfolio assessment for this module will include completing a number of elements which will allow you to demonstrate your strengths and weaknesses. These activities will be discussed further in the assessment brief. The successful completion of this module will lead towards gaining the full 120 credits needed at level 5 and will cement the foundations for your practice and aid you in your transition into level 6 and the year 3 Clinical Practice module.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
	Introduction to level 5 practice placements Introduction to the level 5 Practice Assessment Portfolio SCOT analysis for level 5 Medications in paramedic ambulance practice Introduction to drug calculations Half way point feedback, portfolio and hours review assessment of airway competencies Assessment of breathing competencies assessment of circulation competencies Immobilisation competencies Professional/Ethical competencies Reflection in action – Practice simulation inspired through the sharing of experiences in practice

7	Module Learning Outcomes
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:
	1 Demonstrates proficiency in the use of diagnostic tools and interpersonal skills to facilitate delivery of timely, safe, appropriate and effective interventions for patients.
	2 Utilises underpinning theoretical knowledge to systematically assess, plan, implement and evaluate care across a range of different patient groups.
	3 Utilises knowledge of legal, ethical and professional standards to review and adapt clinical practice.
	4 Can perform structured self-reflection to critically analyse personal and professional development.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-2		X	
1-3			X
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