

BSc (Hons) Paramedic Science

Admissions Process

1. Complete your application via UCAS. Make sure that you include a strong personal statement, that clearly demonstrates your understanding of the paramedic profession and outlines why you would like to embark on the journey to paramedic registration. Please review our entry criteria to ensure you meet, or expect to meet, the minimum requirements for application to study with us.
2. Applications and personal statements will be screened by the admissions team and course leader. Those who meet the minimum entry criteria and submit strong personal statements will be invited to attend an interview and selection event. The interview and selection event are scored, which will be combined with your written application to decide if we are able to make you an offer.

3. The Interview and Selection Event

This will ideally take place on our campus in High Wycombe or Uxbridge, giving you the opportunity to experience our facilities and meet the team in person. On campus events will last a full day (08.30-16.00) and will include a taster lecture, practical session and a chance to meet current students. We may offer this via an online platform (you will need a webcam/microphone and a stable internet connection – we use Microsoft Teams as our online meeting platform).

Writing and Numeracy Test	Interview Stations
<p>This will last for 1-hour and will look and tests your reading, writing and comprehension. This will also test some basic numeracy skills.</p> <p>We do this because record keeping, and medicines dosing are important aspects of the paramedic role.</p> <p>The writing task will also give you the opportunity to share more information about an aspect of your personal statement.</p>	<p>Following the writing and numeracy test, there will be three 10-minute mini-interview stations for you to complete.</p> <p>Station 1 – will look at your motivation and commitment to this course.</p> <p>Station 2 – will consider your professional judgement using a given scenario.</p> <p>Station 3 – will ask you 3 questions and you will have up to 3 minutes to answer each question.</p>

4. We are interviewing all applicants before making offers, this is to consider all applications fairly. We will be in contact again as soon as the interviews are completed in full, to advise if you have been offered a place to study with us. Applications are considered in full – so your personal statement, grades and references are just as important as your performance at the interview and selection day.

Places are limited to 15 for each intake (September and February) and so please expect competition for places to be high.

BSc (Hons) Paramedic Science – Entry Criteria

The minimum entry requirements for the programme are as follows:

A typical offer will require a UCAS Tariff score between **112-136 points**; or an Access to Higher Education qualification (minimum of 45 Level 3 credits, with 18 at Distinction and 27 at Merit) which must be in a science-based subject. Students without the required points (but have studied relevant subjects) may still be invited to attend the selection event.

You may find it beneficial if you have prior knowledge of health or human science, so we prefer if you have relevant A Levels - such as Biology, Chemistry, Psychology and Sociology. However, it is not essential. In addition, you will require five GCSEs including Maths, English and Science at Grade C/4 or above (or equivalent).

Applicants must be physically fit and able to undertake clinical placements, which will involve frontline ambulance duties. This includes (but is not limited to):

- lifting and carrying of equipment
- climbing flights of stairs
- moving and handling patients
- undertaking a variety of shifts, including night-work
- Attend the compulsory interview and selection event for shortlisted candidates.

Those for whom English is not their first language must achieve a minimum score of 7.0 overall or equivalent for the International English Language Test Score (IELTS), with no on element below 6.5. For further details of our international English entry requirements, please visit our international pages.

Desirable / Recommended

Full UK driving licence; this is strongly recommended to allow students to operate a vehicle to attend practice placements. Whilst public transport is possible for some locations, this cannot be guaranteed.

<p>Do applicants require a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Check?</p>	<p>Yes – Enhanced Level (provided by the University)</p>
<p>Health Requirements</p>	<p>Applicants must pass an occupational health screening check before starting the course. Full occupational health clearance is required before starting practice placements. The Department of Health requires all new Exposure Prone Procedures (EPP) workers, including students, are tested for HIV, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C. The consent, test and managed process of results will be carried out by our Occupational Health Department.</p>