

School of Health, Medical & Applied Sciences

CG95 Bachelor of Paramedic Science Part Time Course Planner – Term 1 2019 onwards

Year	Unit Code	Unit Name	CP	Requisites	Ad. Stand	Comp Term /Status
Year 1	CHEM11042	Fundamentals of Chemistry	6			T1 2019
	PMSC11001	Foundations of Paramedic Science	6			T1 2019
	BMSC11005 **	Foundations of Biochemistry	6	Pre-Req CHEM11042		T2 2019
	PMSC11003	Principles of Paramedic Practice	6			T2 2019
	BMSC11001 **	Human Body Systems 1	6			T3 2019
	BMSC11002 **	Human Body Systems 2	6			T3 2019
Year 2	BMSC12007 *	Neurological Physiology & Measurement	6	Pre-Req BMSC11001		T1 2020
	MPAT12001 **	Medical Pathophysiology	6	Pre-Req BMSC11001 & BMSC11002		T1 2020
	BMSC12010 * **	Clinical Biochemistry	6	Pre-Req BMSC11005		T2 2020
	PMSC11002 *	Foundations of Paramedic Clinical Practice	6	Pre-Req PMSC11001		T2 2020
	ESSC11004 **	Study and Research Skills for Health Science	6			T3 2020
Year 3	PMSC12001 * **	Procedures & Skills in Paramedic Care	6	Pre-Req PMSC11001, PMSC11002, BSMC11001 & BMSC11002 Co-Req PMSC12004		T1 2021
	PMSC12004 * **	Advanced Electrophysiology and Coronary Care	6	Pre-Req PMSC11002 & BMSC11002 Co-Req PMSC12001		T1 2021
	PMSC12002	Clinical Paramedic Practice 1	6	Pre-Req PMSC12001		T2 2021
	PMSC12003 * **	Special Populations in Paramedic Practice	6	Pre-Req PMSC12001 & PMSC12004		T2 2021
Year 4	PMSC13001 *	Mental Health for Paramedics and Other Health Professionals	6	Pre-Req PMSC12001 & PMSC12002		T1 2022
	PMSC13002	Clinical Paramedic Practice 2	6	Pre-Req PMSC12002 & PMSC12003		T1 2022
	PMSC13004	Clinical Paramedic Practice 3	6	Pre-Req PMSC13002		T2 2022
	MBIO12013	Microbiology for Health Care	6	Pre-Req BMSC11002		T2 2022
Year 5	BMSC13010 **	Pharmacology	6	Pre-Req BMSC12010		T1 2023
	PMSC13003 **	Pharmacology in Paramedic Practice	6	Pre-Req PMSC12001 Co-Req BMSC13010		T1 2023
	PMSC13010 *	Consolidated Paramedic Practice	6	Pre-Req PMSC12002, MPAT12001 & PMSC13003		T2 2023
	PMSC13011 *	Paramedic Trauma & Environmental Emergency	12	Pre-Req PMSC12001, PMSC12002 & PMSC13003		T2 2023
Total Units: 23			144			

** Available over Term 3

* Compulsory Residential School

✓ Completed

CP = Credit Points

DISCLAIMER 1: In your first term of study it is crucial that you ensure you complete CHEM11042 Fundamentals of Chemistry as this unit is the start of a series of pre-requisites that if not followed will result in a minimum 12-month delay in your study progression.

DISCLAIMER 2: Even though PMSC12001, PMSC12004 and PMSC12003 are offered over Term 3, the Term 3 offering is not designed for students to lessen their study loads over Term 1 and Term 2. The Term 3 offering on these units is for students who fail on their first attempt.

For information on the terminology used in the above Course Planner, please refer to the Glossary on the last page of this document.

Important Note: This Course Planner has no formal or legal status but is used to assist students in planning their course.

Students should refer to the official University database and/or University transcripts to ensure they are meeting course requirements.

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MORE DETAILS:

To satisfy the requirements for the award of CG95 Bachelor of Paramedic Science, students must complete 23 units (144 credit points).

Recommended Study Schedule

Students should complete units in an order that is as close as possible to the recommended structure set out in this Course Planner. Students should concentrate on completing all first year units before moving on to second year units, and all second year units before moving on to third year units.

Course Structure Requirements

In the CG95 Bachelor of Paramedic Science, students are required to complete the following course structure:

- 23 Core Units

Course Duration Requirements

Full Time Duration 3 years full time

Part Time Duration 6 years part time

Please also note that if you fail units or take a Leave of Absence, your course duration and completion timeframe may be extended.

Interim Awards Interim Awards do not exist for this course

Exit Awards CL13 Diploma of Health Science

Professional Accreditation

This course is fully accredited by the Council of Ambulance Authorities (CAA).

Deferment/Leave of Absence

Domestic students in the Bachelor of Paramedic Science degree are permitted to defer the initial offer of their degree for a maximum of 12 months before their offer is withdrawn. Furthermore, domestic students may also take an approved Leave of Absence (LOA) once they have commenced their course of study however only a maximum of 12 months can be granted without requesting further approval from the Head of Course.

You can apply for a deferment or LOA [here](#).

International students are not permitted to defer their initial offer or take a Leave of Absence unless otherwise discussed with their Home Campus.

Credit Transfer

If you have undertaken study in the last ten years, or have relevant in-formal or non-formal learning, you may be eligible for credit towards your course. Please note that some courses have reduced timeframes within which prior study remains eligible for credit. Please refer to the [CQUni Handbook](#) for specific credit time limits relating to your course.

To submit an application for credit, please refer to the [Credit Calculator](#) or contact the Academic Pathways Team via their email credit@cqu.edu.au. Further information about the credit process can also be found on the [Credit for Prior Learning](#) webpage.

Credit applications should be submitted at least four (4) weeks before the relevant term commences. Applications must be complete with all supporting documentation to be assessed by CQUniversity. CQUniversity cannot obtain documents from other institutions, organisations or individuals.

Residential Schools

Students studying via Online studies may be required to attend compulsory on-campus residential schools and have been marked with an asterisk (*) in the above Course Planner.

The units that require a compulsory residential school must be enrolled in as "Mixed Mode" under the unit availabilities in MyCentre.

For more information on the various units containing residential schools, please refer to the following link in the CQUni Handbook: <https://handbook.cqu.edu.au/resschools/index> or contact the Unit Coordinator directly.

Unit Coordinator contact information can be found via the Unit Profiles in the following link: <https://my-courses.cqu.edu.au/pub/profiles/search>

Clinical Placement Information

Students are required to complete three Clinical Paramedic Practice units during the degree, which amount to a minimum of 15 weeks (600 hours) of full-time work placement. Clinical placements are invaluable in developing professional and clinical skills and workplace literacy within the authentic clinical environment, and ensure high standards of graduate work readiness and employability.

All clinical placements are undertaken primarily with the Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS). Due to state-wide demand for placement positions, students must be prepared to travel to any location within Queensland for clinical placements as home placement is very unlikely. This commonly involves staying away from home for the duration of the placement, and taking leave from substantive employment and other regular responsibilities to ensure availability for full-time 24/7 rostered work. Students with extenuating circumstances restricting ability to travel and stay away from home are invited to submit requests for special consideration, but should understand that these may not be fulfilled if there are simply no available placement allocations within their home town.

PMSC12002 - Clinical Paramedic Practice 1 (2nd year, Term Two) 5 weeks

PMSC13002 - Clinical Paramedic Practice 2 (3rd year, Term One) 2 weeks Rural and 2 weeks Urban

PMSC13004 - Clinical Paramedic Practice 3 (3rd year, Term Two) 6 weeks

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There is no capacity for students to request split blocks, custom dates, or to work only on their days off. Calendar dates for these blocks may change from year to year depending upon state-wide allocation availability, and are determined at the end of Term Two for the following year. The dates are announced to all students at that time in an information sheet, and can thereafter be found on the Sonia Home Page (clinical placement management software) and the CG95 Portal (on Moodle).

Students will be required to purchase the approved Paramedic Clinical Placement uniform for wear during lab sessions, residential schools, and clinical placement. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will also need to be purchased from the CQUniversity Bookshop as a Workplace Health and Safety requirement by Ambulance Services when on clinical placement. Non-adherence to uniform and PPE requirements will result in immediate removal from clinical placement.

All statutory Ambulance Services mandate that students meet certain vaccination and health standards prior to attendance, whilst the University also has certain requirements to ensure student safety and readiness for practice. Information on all of these requirements and associated due dates is updated yearly and shared on the Sonia Home Page and the CG95 Portal; please also see the link below for QAS Clinical Placements website.

<https://www.ambulance.qld.gov.au/clinicalplacements.html>

Students must submit all QAS Mandatories and CQU requirements to the Schools Work Integrated Learning Officers by the stated due date for that year to be deemed eligible to attend clinical placement. All requirements are non-negotiable so it is imperative that students review and begin working to meet these requirements early.

If you have any questions about your course, please contact the Course Advice Team: spc@cqu.edu.au or by visiting <http://handbook.cqu.edu.au/eforms/index> and filling out the 'Ask a Course Advisor' e-form.

PLEASE CHECK THE CQUNI HANDBOOK FOR ALL TERM AVAILABILITIES AND PRE-REQUISITES AS THEY MAY CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR <http://handbook.cqu.edu.au>

GLOSSARY

- **Course**: A course is the combination of units that contribute towards either a CQUniversity award qualification or non-award study.
- **Course Code**: A course code identifies the specific course a student may be studying at CQUniversity.
- **Unit**: A unit is the individual subject students must complete in order to graduate from their course.
- **Unit Code**: A unit code identifies a specific unit that a student is enrolled in under their course.
- **Pre-Requisite (Pre-Req) Unit**: A pre-req unit is a unit which students must pass before being allowed to enrol in the subsequent unit.
- **Co-Requisite (Co-Req) Unit**: A co-req unit is a unit that must be studied at the same time as another unit.
- **Anti-Requisite (Anti-Req) Unit**: An anti-req unit is an old unit that has been replaced by a new unit and students are not permitted to study the old unit.
- **Credit Points (CP)**: Credit Points are the numerical value of a unit which contributes to the total Credit Points for a course.
- **Core Unit**: A core unit is a compulsory unit that a student must study to meet the requirements of their course.
- **Elective Unit**: An elective unit is a unit within a course that is not compulsory and students may have a choice in what unit they study, provided it meets the elective requirements of their course.
- **Major**: A major is a specific area within a course where a student specialises in and is normally made up of 8 units for undergraduate courses, and 4 units for postgraduate courses. Not all courses have majors.
- **Double Major**: A double major is where students specialise in 2 areas of study and is normally made up of 16 units. Double majors are normally only available in undergraduate courses.
- **Minor**: Like a major, a minor is a specific area within a course where a student specialises and is normally made up of 4 units.
- **Term**: A specified period of time for higher education units in which teaching, learning and assessment occurs. CQUniversity offers 3 Academic Terms per year: Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3.