Bachelor of Paramedic Science

1 Definitions
In these rules –

*Apply First Aid certificate* means an Apply First Aid (formerly Senior First Aid) certificate that includes a CPR component, issued by the St John Ambulance Association or a comparable body.

*blue card* means a Blue Card issued by the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian.

2 Program requirements
To complete the program, a student must complete 48 units in accordance with the BParamedicSc course list.

3 Special rules
3.1 Continuous enrolment
Unless approved by the executive dean or delegate, a student must undertake the program without interruption.

3.2 Progression through program
(1) A student may enrol for a subsequent semester of the program only after gaining credit for all courses in the preceding semester.

(2) The requirement under subrule (1) may be waived by the associate dean (academic) for Year 1 Summer Semester if the student is awarded supplementary or deferred assessment in the preceding semester.

3.3 Supplementary assessment
(1) The associate dean (academic), after considering advice from the school board of examiners, may award a supplementary examination to a student who gains a grade of 3.

(2) The associate dean (academic) may award supplementary examinations to a student for up to 8 units in an academic year.

(3) Despite subrule (2), the maximum number of units each semester is 4.

3.4 Refusal of enrolment
(1) A student who fails to pass all courses set for a semester will be cautioned that their academic progress falls below an acceptable standard.

(2) Despite subrule (1), a student who fails to pass all courses set for a semester will be required to show cause, to the associate dean (academic), why their enrolment should not be cancelled, if the student has been cautioned in any earlier semester within the program.

(3) For the purpose of subrule (2), a student who failed a course in 2013 or earlier, will have been cautioned in an earlier semester within the program.

(4) Despite subrules (1) and (2), a student will be refused further enrolment in the program if -

(a) the student fails to pass all courses set for a semester and has been required to show cause in any earlier semester within the program under these rules; or

(b) the student has failed two clinical placement courses.

(5) A student who is required to show cause under subrule (2) must do so no later than 20 business days after being required to show cause.
(6) A student who has been cautioned or required to show cause may be required to attend a meeting with the associate dean (academic).

(7) Show cause applications will be determined in accordance with criteria set by the associate dean (academic).

(8) A student who has been required to show cause may have conditions set on their re-enrolment by the associate dean (academic).

(9) A student will be refused further enrolment in the program if—
   (a) the student fails to show cause by the due date; or
   (b) the student’s show cause application is refused; or
   (c) the student fails to meet the conditions set on their enrolment.

(10) Withdrawal without academic penalty does not count as failure to pass a course.

3.5 **Mode of study**
A student must enrol in the program full-time, except where —
   (a) the student is required to complete specific courses to comply with rule 3.2; or
   (b) the enrolment is approved by the executive dean.

3.6 **Clinical Placement requirements**
(1) A student must comply with all Queensland Ambulance Service or other student placement organisation requirements before and during placements.

(2) Medical fitness: Subject to the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1992* (QLD) —
   (a) before starting placement in Year 1 a student must complete the placement requirements of the Queensland Ambulance Service or other student placement organisation; and
   (b) prior to starting a placement in Year 2 and 3 of the program a student must complete the fitness to undertake clinical placement form; and
   (c) if required, a student must attend a consultation with a medical practitioner acceptable to the executive dean; and
   (d) if, after considering the answers to the placement requirements, the fitness to undertake clinical placement form, and the report from the medical practitioner (if any), the executive dean decides that the student is unable to fulfill the genuine educational requirements of the program, the executive dean may cancel the student’s enrolment.

(3) Blood-borne viruses:
   (a) A carrier of a blood-borne virus must not undertake invasive procedures.
   (b) Before commencing placement, a student must provide evidence of their status with respect to blood-borne viruses.

3.7 **Immunisation schedule**
(1) Before commencing a course in which, in the opinion of the executive dean, the student may be at risk of contracting or transmitting a blood-borne virus or other disease, the student must complete a schedule of immunisations approved by the executive dean.

(2) The requirement under subrule (1) may be waived only if —
   (a) the student provides evidence of his or her status with respect to immunity against blood-borne viruses or other diseases prescribed in the schedule; or
   (b) approved by the executive dean.
3.8 **Further requirements**
A student must, throughout the program, hold —
(a) a current Apply First Aid (formerly Senior First Aid) certificate; and
(b) a current blue card.

4 **Honours**
*Note - See GAR 2.4 of the General Award Rules.*

4.1 **Eligibility**
To be eligible to enrol for honours a student must —
(a) (i) complete the requirements set out in rule 2;
   (ii) gain a GPA of 5 or above; and
   (iii) meet any additional requirements set by the head of school; or
(b) satisfy the executive dean and head of school that, based on the student’s qualifications from this university or elsewhere, and subject to the completion of additional work if set, the student is qualified to undertake honours.

4.2 **Quota**
The head of school will set an annual quota for the honours program based on available research projects.

4.3 **Selection**
Selection for the Honours quota will be based on the student’s GPA in a list of specified courses as determined by the executive dean.

4.4 **Program requirements**
To complete the program, a student must complete 16 units in accordance with part H of the BParamedicSc (Honours) course list.