

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Developing Paramedic Science

Reference	NU2401	Version	1
Created	February 2020	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	May 2020	SCQF Points	30
Amended		ECTS Points	15

Aims of Module

To enable the student to apply understanding of the sciences across the lifespan in relation to paramedic practice.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Explain the epidemiology and aetiology of prevalent physical, mental, behavioural and cognitive health conditions across the lifespan.
- 2 Discuss the pathophysiology, psychopathology and related clinical features of prevalent physical, mental, behavioural and cognitive health conditions across the lifespan.
- 3 Apply knowledge of pharmacological, physical and psychological interventions in the management of prevalent physical, mental, behavioural and cognitive health conditions across the lifespan.
- 4 Discuss the physiology of women's health and childbirth.
- 5 Explore the impact of prevalent physical, mental, behavioural and cognitive health conditions on individuals and their families.

Indicative Module Content

Epidemiology; Aetiology; Pathophysiology; Psychopathology; Anatomy; Physiology; Pharmacology; Polypharmacy; Pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics; Virology; Immunology; Genetics; Classification systems; Impact of health conditions and treatments on individuals and their families; Woman's health; Additional care for pregnancy; Childbirth and new-born infants; Impact of social structures; Social systems; Social class; Social functions; Psychological perspectives; Psychological trauma and trauma informed care - aetiology, diagnosis, and treatment of a range of health conditions across the lifespan.

Module Delivery

Blended learning approach including: lectures, tutorials, online learning, virtual community.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	70	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	230	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Description:	Written exam				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

Unseen written exam

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	C1=A
B	C1=B
C	C1=C
D	C1=D
E	C1=E
F	C1=F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None, in addition to SCQF level 8 requirements or equivalent
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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