**SPECIAL REGULATIONS: BSc (HONS) PARAMEDIC PRACTICE**

**INTRODUCTION**

1. The Special Regulations relate only to the following programme:

BSc (Hons) Paramedic Practice

**ADMISSION**

1. The requirements for admissions are those set out in the Regulation and Credit Framework for the Conferment of Awards; the additional requirements are set out below.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

1. Candidates applying to the programme will need to demonstrate:
2. Employment with South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (SECAmb) in a clinical role (eg. Emergency Care Support Worker or Ambulance Technician);
3. Support of their employer who will be required to sign their application form;
4. GCSEs (or equivalent) including Science, English Language and Mathematics at grade C or above and evidence of study at level 3
5. Standard university requirements (IELTS score of 6.5 with no element below 5.5).

Successful applicants who meet the minimum entry requirements will undertake a short academic learning course in preparation for the programme.

1. In addition applicants must:
2. normally have been working for at least one year in a clinical role prior to entry;
3. have Occupational Health clearance;
4. have a current Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check;

The University will undertake occupational health and DBS checks on students on entry to the programme in addition to what they already have in place with their employer to ensure currency.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. Applicants must maintain the terms and conditions of employment with SECAmb or they may be asked to withdraw or transfer to a different programme.

**SELECTION PROCEDURES**

1. Applicants who satisfy the Entry Requirements will be required to attend a selection interview.

**PERIODS OF REGISTRATION**

1. The minimum and maximum period of registration for students recommended for a professional award, including periods for interruption, repeat and re-assessment, together with credits transferred from another higher education institution are as follows:

3 years minimum and 5 years maximum for full time students;

1. Students who are offered the opportunity to repeat modules are not regarded as part-time during the repeat period. A full-time student repeating modules would need to complete within the maximum period of 5 years and not be actively studying for any more than the standard 3 years plus the duration of the repeat session/s.

**ASSESSMENT**

1. Students must pass all ‘work place evidence tools’. These will be graded as either 'Pass (P)' or 'Fail (F)'.
2. All assessments must be passed. This includes theoretical assessments and work-based assessments.

**RESIT ARRANGEMENTS**

1. A student may be reassessed in a work-based assessment on one occasion only for each work-based assessment.
2. A student who fails a work-based assessment after all module reassessment opportunities have been exhausted will not be allowed to repeat the module and will be required to withdraw from the programme.

**COMPENSATION**

1. All modules within the programme are excluded from compensation.

**PROGRESSION**

1. A student may only progress from one year or one stage of the programme to the next on successful completion of the required work-based assessment.
2. Students on the programme are excluded from the University trail & progress regulations however may continue into the next stage of the programme with any outstanding reassessment opportunities provided this is in exceptional circumstances only and the final reassessment opportunity for the referred credits must occur and be confirmed within 12 weeks of entering the next stage of the programme.

**PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE AND CONDUCT**

1. As a condition of a professional award, students must meet successfully the requirements concerning attendance and professional practice, together with the requirements of the regulatory bodies relating to student conduct, good health and good character. Breaches of professional conduct will be subject to the fitness to practise procedures for the Faculty.

**EXIT AWARDS NOT LEADING TO PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION**

1. Aegrotat awards may be offered at the discretion of the Board of Examiners as outlined in the regulations; however such awards would not provide eligibility to apply for admission to the Health & Care Professions Council register.

**EXTERNAL EXAMINERS**

1. At least one external examiner appointed to the programme must be appropriately experienced and qualified in the relevant area of practice and, unless other arrangements are agreed with the Health & Care Professions Council, be from the relevant part of the Register.

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