



FACULTY OF  
HEALTH SCIENCES

# Advanced Certificate in Medical Rescue >>>

## Applications Open For 2025 Enrolment!

### Programme Duration

- Part-Time:  
Minimum 2 years / Maximum 3 years
- Mode of Delivery: Contact
- NQF Level 6 / 147 Credits

### Purpose

- To equip graduates with the required knowledge, skills and attributes to function as Rescue Practitioners.
- Rescue Practitioners may function across a range of emergency services in South Africa.
- These professionals will have the technical and cognitive ability necessary to operate at urban, rural and aquatic rescue incidents.
- Rescue Practitioners will promote a multi-disciplinary approach to effective, efficient rescue techniques with the patients' needs being central to the rescue operation.

### Outcomes

- Articulate a meaningful understanding of the overarching principles and generic phases of a rescue including the role and function of rescue personnel, rescue services, incident command systems and applicable legislation within the South African context.
- Apply the principles and theories of basic sciences underpinning rescue activities.
- Conduct operational routines including the identification, inspection, preparation, operation, maintenance and storage of equipment, vehicles and other resources required to provide safe and effective rescue services.
- Demonstrate appropriate levels of physical fitness, emotional stability, endurance, teamwork, and leadership required for the effective rendering of rescue in austere environments.
- Demonstrate the ability to safely construct and operate rope rescue systems used to access, package, treat and extricate victims in a range of contexts including, urban, rural, industrial, wilderness and aquatic settings.
- Perform and participate in search and rescue activities within a range of contexts including, urban, rural, industrial, wilderness and aquatic settings.



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## Selection Criteria

To register for the qualification, the candidate must meet or exceed all listed requirements:

1. Applicant with a Senior Certificate (prior to 2009) with University Exemption, or its equivalent (NQF Level 4), as determined with an M-Score of 10.
2. A minimum E symbol on Higher Grade or a D symbol on Standard Grade pass for the following subjects:
  - English
  - Mathematics
  - Biology/Physiology or
  - Physical Science
3. The applicant with a National Senior Certificate with a Diploma Endorsement must have the following subjects and rating codes:

## Minimum APS: 21

### Note: This excludes Life Orientation

- Language of Teaching and Learning (English): 4
- Mathematical Literacy: Not Accepted
- Physical Sciences: 4
- Life Sciences: 4

## Rules of Access & Admission Requirements

- This is a qualification for individuals who are already registered as health care professionals.
- Applicants will be required to provide proof that they are registered with the Health Professions Council (HPCSA) of South Africa or similar registering authority in the case of international applicants.
- In addition, applicants would need to also hold an applicable recognised NQF level 5 or other higher education qualification in emergency medical care that facilitates their articulation and access into the Advanced Certificate in Medical Rescue.
- Applicants may enter the programme using the UJ's RPL criteria.

## Curriculum:

- All modules are Continuous Evaluation modules.

**Applications Deadline:** 31 October 2024

**Apply Online Using Token: EMR2024**

### Web Link:

[www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/undergraduate](http://www.uj.ac.za/admission-aid/undergraduate)

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## Additional Requirements:

- In addition to the APS requirements, applicants must undergo structured interview.
- A South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) Class II Cabin Crew Medical Assessment (or equivalent).
- Physical fitness assessment (including swimming proficiency).
- Acrophobia and claustrophobia testing and an English language proficiency assessment prior to registration.
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will be applied on an individual basis against the exit-level outcomes of the programme on a case-by-case basis and will be conducted in accordance with the UJ's RPL Policy and Professional Board requirements.

## Pass Requirements:

- Students must pass all components of the module(s) to obtain credit for the module(s).
- Students may graduate once they have passed all of the modules.
- The Physical Preparedness module will be considered a co-requisite for any registered student, regardless of having passed the module in the prior academic semester or year.
- Students must pass a minimum of 50% of the modules to qualify for readmission to the programme.
- Students may not register for the same module for a third time without permission from the Head of Department and Executive Dean of the Faculty.
- A range of assessment strategies and weightings, as laid out in the relevant module's learning guide, explains the continuous assessment criteria specified for promotion to the next year of study.