



EMERGENCY MEDICINE

The Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM)

To become an Emergency Medicine Specialist, you will need to apply for fellowship with the [Australasian College for Emergency Medicine \(ACEM\)](https://www.acem.org.au/). Fellowship is a 5-year (full time) training pathway.

For trainees commencing 2022 onwards, the pathway consists of four training stages:

- Stage 1: 12 months full time equivalent in an adult / mixed Emergency Department (ED)
 - Stage 2: 12 months full time equivalent in ED
 - Stage 3: 12 months full time equivalent in ED
 - Stage 4: Minimum 6 months full time equivalent in an ED accredited for Stage 4, and 6 months full time equivalent of elective rotation (either ED or non-ED) in a Stage 4 approved facility.
- 6 months full time equivalent in non-ED to be completed anytime throughout Stages 1-3.
6 months full time equivalent in Critical Care to be completed anytime throughout Stages 2-4.

For existing trainees, the pathway consists of:

Basic	Year 1	Provisional Training - 12 months FTE (6 months ED, 6 months ED or Non-ED) in an Accredited ED
Advanced	Years 2 & 3	Advanced Training: 48 months FTE including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months FTE in critical care; and • 6 months FTE non-ED time • 6 months discretionary • 6 months Early Phase Advanced Training
Advanced		
Advanced	Year 4	Advanced Training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months Early Phase Advanced Training • 6 months Late Phase Advanced Training
Advanced	Year 5	Advanced Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months Late Phase Advanced Training

Additional requirements are that registrars:

- Must complete minimum 6 months in a single adult/mixed major referral Emergency Department.
- Must complete minimum 12 months in an adult/mixed non-major referral Emergency Department.

Regional Training Hub Wide Bay

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Useful contacts and links

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Hervey Bay Hospital

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Medi-Nav: <https://medinav.health.qld.gov.au>

The Australasian College for Emergency Medicine: <https://acem.org.au/>

FACEM Training Program Handbook: https://acem.org.au/getmedia/5651dae4-bbf4-4a80-b68d-cd402912577b/FACEM_Training_Handbook_1-10.aspx

National Medical Workforce Factsheet: [https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/05EB31F8E8114371CA257E6E001A2EA1/\\$File/Emergency%20medicine.pdf](https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/05EB31F8E8114371CA257E6E001A2EA1/$File/Emergency%20medicine.pdf)



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Entry requirements/pre-requisites

- Hold an Australian or New Zealand primary medical degree.
- Have full general medical registration.
- Have citizenship, permanent residency or the necessary VISA to undertake training.
- Completion of PGY2.
- Completion of a 6 month (FTE) placement in one ED in your PGY2 or above, completed within 12 months of your application.
- Completion of at least 3x8 week (minimum) placements in disciplines other than emergency medicine. At least one of these placements must have been completed in PGY2 or above.

Application and selection process – [how to apply](#)

Prospective trainees need to apply for selection into the FACEM Training Program directly through the College, see the [Application Information Guide](#) for further detail.

Once selected into the FACEM Program, registrars can secure a position either directly through an accredited facility recruitment process or apply for positions through the [RMO campaign](#).

Program requirements

- Training requirements summary: <https://acem.org.au/Content-Sources/Training/How-the-FACEM-Training-Program-works/Assessments-and-Requirements>
- Training Program Handbook (prior to 2022): https://acem.org.au/getmedia/5651dae4-bbf4-4a80-b68d-cd402912577b/FACEM_Training_Handbook_1-12-2
- Training Program Handbook (2022 onwards): <https://acem.org.au/getmedia/099ef1a4-ccf5-41af-abc8-438e2a1cee2a/FACEM-Training-Program-Revisions-Nov-2020>

Regional training opportunities in Wide Bay

There is the capacity for up to 10 x accredited registrar positions in Bundaberg and up to 21 x accredited registrar positions in Hervey Bay*.

***Position data valid as at October 2020.**

Registrars can complete a total of 4.5 years of the 5 year pathway in the Wide Bay Region. The curriculum and program requirements that Bundaberg and Hervey Bay Hospitals are accredited for are outlined below:

					TRAINING PROGRAM								Course Requirements		
					Provisional Training 12 months		Advanced Training 48 months								
							Non - Core Training 18 months				Core Training 30 months				
					COLLEGE	SPECIALTY				Minimum training time in single approved ED within 12 month period. Must be completed in 1st 12 months	Minimum training time in other approved training - ED or Non-ED	Critical Care Training (1 of the below)		Non ED Training	Discretionary Training
Intensive Care Medicine (CICM accredited)	Anaesthetics (ANZCA accredited)														
ACEM	EMERGENCY MEDICINE	Level Teaching Hospital	Approved for Paediatric Log Book	Maximum approval time for Advanced ED Training (months)	6 months	6 months	6 months		6 months	6 months	12 months	18 months	6 months	6 months	6 months
	Bundaberg Hospital	RR - Rural / Regional Base	Yes	12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ (Maximum of 12 months)			✓	✓ Medical Education
	Hervey Bay Hospital	RR - Rural / Regional Base	Yes	12	✓	✓	✓**	✓	✓	✓	✓ (Maximum of 12 months)			✓	

****Accredited however dependent on availability of position.**

Please note that as Departments prepare for the Training Program transition, accreditation status will change to align with the revised Training Stages. All public adult/mixed sites will either retain or increase their current minimum accredited training time.

Map your Emergency Medicine training pathway in Wide Bay

The following tables provide example pathways from internship through to fellowship in the Wide Bay region for trainees who commenced prior to 2022:

Bundaberg Base:		EMERGENCY MEDICINE TRAINING PROGRAM - EXAMPLE PATHWAY							
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4		PGY5		PGY6		PGY7
Intern	RMO	Provisional Training	Critical Care Rotation	Non-ED	Discretionary	Early Phase Advanced Training	Early Phase Advanced Training	Late Phase Advanced Training	Late Phase Advanced Training
Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital*	Bundaberg Hospital

Hervey Bay Base:		EMERGENCY MEDICINE TRAINING PROGRAM - EXAMPLE PATHWAY							
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4		PGY5		PGY6		PGY7
Intern	RMO	Provisional Training	Critical Care Rotation	Non-ED	Discretionary	Early Phase Advanced Training	Early Phase Advanced Training	Late Phase Advanced Training	Late Phase Advanced Training
Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Sunshine Coast University Hospital*	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital

*Covers major referral requirement.

Updated example pathways will be provided for trainees commencing 2022 onwards, once the EDs have transitioned to the updated accreditation system.

Disclaimer

The University of Queensland Regional Training Hubs have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the information contained in this document is both accurate and current. Information in this Guide is accurate as at April 2021. Pathways provided are examples only and may be dependent on availability of positions, allocation processes and individual progression through the training program. While care has been taken to provide accurate information in this Guide, it is the responsibility of prospective candidates for training pathways and positions to check and confirm specific details with relevant Colleges and health authorities directly.