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**Paediatric
Intensive Care**



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The paediatric intensive care is a complex specialisation in healthcare and nursing, which deals with the demanding health requirements of seriously- and/or critically-ill children or adolescents. The paediatric intensive care personnel are indispensable in administering evidence-based care and constitute a core member of a multi-professional team in a neonatal and paediatric intensive care unit. Due to the constantly increasing complexity and the holistic demands of paediatric intensive care, the paediatric intensive care personnel require a combination of skills, expertise and behaviour.

Brief Course Profile

Type of course/duration: **2** Semester, *job enabling*

 **Linz**, *Med Campus V. at Kepler Universitätsklinikum*

Graduation: *Academic Expert in Paediatric Intensive Care*

Registration procedure:

www.fh-gesundheitsberufe.at/en/highereducationcourse/paediatric-intensive-care/

Study fees: *yes*

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Requirements: *Professional qualification in healthcare and nursing.*



The higher education course

In the Academic Expert in Paediatric Intensive Care higher education course students acquire all the skills, which are necessary for this specialised field. The expertise in technical methodology, socio-communicative and scientific skills, which were already acquired in the training /study of healthcare and nursing are extended and intensified in this specialised field. These skills are conveyed within the framework of a scientifically-based higher-education course combined with practical training at the University of Applied sciences for Healthcare Professions Upper Austria and at the professional placements. The accompanying internships offer the students the opportunity to realise and intensify their know how and acquired skills under expert guidance.

The higher education course is divided into modules, which are partly offered on an inter-disciplinary basis. The curriculum is characterised by a balance between in-depth theoretical education, science and work experience in the various health institutions. Graduates of the higher education course are in a position to offer full and comprehensive support and care to people, while combining the know how from the various disciplines. They have learned to act reflectively and autonomously in their professional daily routine and to act in accordance with their code of conduct.

Job description

Paediatric intensive care comprises the specific care of premature babies, the new born children and adolescents in intensive care. The inclusion of the parents and/or the reference system is of great importance in paediatric intensive care.

The requirements

In addition to the general requirements (Professional qualification in healthcare and nursing) students should also be able to offer special talents and interests for this course. These include perception- and observation skills in dealing with the needs of seriously ill children of all ages, but also the willingness for the inter-professional and interdisciplinary collaboration with the various professional groups. Great flexibility, empathy and a great sense of responsibility, accuracy and reliability are important requirements in paediatric intensive care.

The location

Linz with its universities, colleges and universities of applied science is an established study location in the Upper Austrian region. Numerous students' dorms, extensive leisure- and cultural and gastronomic facilities, the best infrastructure and recreational areas nearby offer students an optimum study environment with high living quality. The harmonious combination of historic charm and pulsating modernism makes Linz an attractive education location.



The close connection of the study programmes at the University of Applied Sciences for Health Professionals in Upper Austria with the regional hospitals, in particular with the Kepler Universitätsklinikum guarantees the successful realisation of the acquired expertise in practice.



Module Plan

Legend: PmC = Professional-methodical Competences, ScC = Socio-communicative Competences, SC= Scientific Competences, PP: Professional Placement

Semester 1

Module	ECTS	Competence
Specific Medical Basics 1	2,5	PmC
Professional Approach in Intensive Care, Anaesthesia Care, Care in Kidney Replacement Therapy	7	PmC
Specific Communication and Cooperation 1	1,5	ScC
Scientific Work 1	4	SC
Professional Placement 1	15	PP

Semester 2

Module	ECTS	Competence
Specific Medical Basics 2	7	PmC
Professional Approach in Paediatric Intensive Care	9	PmC
Specific Communication and Cooperation 2	1	ScC
Scientific Work 2	4	SC
Professional Placement 2	9	PP

ECTS-points: 60



Business Field

- in all categories of paediatric intensive care departments in hospitals
- neonatal and paediatric monitoring wards and/or monitoring units
- in mobile paediatric intensive care
- in intensive long-term care of premature babies, the new born, children and adolescents
- in freelance work

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