EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES: PARAMEDIC

Health Career Admissions Program Code: G.EMT.CER

Certificate

Graduation requirement — 29 semester hours

The EMS-Paramedic Certificate Program prepares students to practice as an advanced EMS provider with opportunities for increased responsibility. The students will achieve competencies in the cognitive, psycho-motor, and affective domains from didactic instruction, classroom lab skills, and actual clinical application with patient contacts under the supervision of a trained pre-hospital and hospital preceptor. Students will learn to administer medication, start intravenous lines, interpret EKG rhythm strips, and deliver the appropriate interventions, as well as to administer many other advanced life support procedures.

The EMT Program meets the National EMS Education Standards (current edition), National EMS Scope of Practice Model skills (2019), and the Illinois EMS Scope of Practice Model skills (2019). Graduates of this program are eligible to take the National Registry for Emergency Medical Technicians Paramedic examination.

Program Notes

- This program prepares students to meet the educational requirements for licensure in the state of Illinois. Parkland College has not yet determined that this program meets the requirements for licensure of any other state.
- To be admitted to the program, students must have current placement out of MAT 059, ENG 098, and CCS 098.
- Students who are non-native speakers of English must establish English proficiency through:
 - Minimum TOEFL iBT scores in reading, listening, speaking, and writing: 18-22-22-17; or
 - Minimum IELTS scores in reading, listening, speaking, and writing: 6-6.5-6.5-5.
- Students must pass EMS 110 and/or be licensed as an EMT in the state of Illinois.
- Students must have documentation of patient care experience in the role of EMT by submission of one of the following:
 - A letter from an EMS pre-hospital agency or the U.S. military of 300 hours of patient care contacts.
 - A letter from an EMS pre-hospital agency or the U.S. military of six months of full-time employment in the role of EMT.
 - Completion of EMS 138, EMT Work Practicum.

Suggested Part-time Sequence

SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	SPRING
1st Semester	EMS 113	2nd Semester	3rd Semester
EMS 111		EMS 114	EMS 115
			EMS 238

Required Program Courses (29 hours)

EMS 111	Foundations of Paramedicine 4
EMS 113	Paramedic I 8
EMS 114	Paramedic II9.5
EMS 115	Paramedic III5
EMS 238	Paramedic Field Internship 2.5

Total Semester Credit Hours