

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES: PARAMEDIC

Health Career Admissions

Program Code: G.EMT.AAS

Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Graduation requirement — 60 semester hours

The EMS-Paramedic A.A.S. Program prepares students to practice as an advanced EMS provider with opportunities for increased responsibility. 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 EMS-Paramedic Program meets the National Standard Curriculum provided by the 2009 National Emergency Medical Services Educational Standards provided by the National Association of State EMS Officials. Graduates are eligible to take the Illinois EMT-Paramedic license examination and/or the National Registry for Emergency Medical Technicians Paramedic examination.

Program Notes

- To be admitted to the program, students must place out of MAT 072 within the past 2½ years, and place into ENG 101 and college level reading.
- 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 an 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 an EMT.
 - Completion of EMS 138, EMT Work Practicum.
- Students must complete the overall program with an 80 percent to qualify to take the National or State licensure exam. In order to successfully complete and graduate from the Parkland College Paramedic Program, the student must fulfill the following:
 - All classroom and clinical requirements.
 - Achieve an 80 percent average on all quizzes, homework, and exams.
 - Have satisfactory attendance (no more than 10 percent of the total scheduled hours missed for any reason).
 - Satisfactory evaluation on clinical experiences.
 - Satisfactory rating on all practical examinations.
 - Satisfactory completion of field internship.
 - Maintain compliance with all the policies outlined for the Paramedic Program.
 - Advanced Placement Policy: Students are required to successfully complete all of the requirements and courses in the Paramedic Program to be eligible for graduation and to sit for the National Registry of EMT certification exam and/or the Illinois state paramedic exam. Advanced placement based on experiential learning will not be considered. Students transferring from other institutions accredited paramedic programs (CAAHEP) may be eligible for acceptance into various stages of the program. This is determined after transcripts, course syllabi, outlines, and skills have been evaluated by the appropriate staff and faculty of the Parkland College/Carle Regional EMS Consortium.
 - The program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). CAAHEP, 25400 US Hwy 19N, Suite 158, Clearwater FL 33763, www.caahep.org; CoAEMSP, 8301 Lakeview Pkwy, Suite 111-312, Rowlett TX 75088, 214/703-8445, FAX 214/703-8992, www.coaemsp.org.

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Suggested Full-time Sequence

<i>FALL</i>	<i>SPRING</i>	<i>SUMMER</i>
<i>1st Semester</i>	<i>2nd Semester</i>	
EMS 110	EMS 111	EMS 113
BIO 111	COM 103	
or CHE 106	or COM 120	
ENG 101	or COM 205	
PSY 101	PSY 209	
EMS 138		
<i>FALL</i>	<i>SPRING</i>	
<i>3rd Semester</i>	<i>4th Semester</i>	
EMS 114	EMS 115	
Elective	EMS 238	
	Elective	

Required Program Courses (37 hours)

	Cr. Hrs.
EMS 110	Emergency Medical Technician5
EMS 111	Foundations of Paramedicine..... 4
EMS 113	Paramedic I 8
EMS 114	Paramedic II.....9.5
EMS 115	Paramedic III5
EMS 138	EMT Work Practicum3
EMS 238	Paramedic Field Internship 2.5

Electives (6 hours)

General electives.....	6
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Required General Education Courses (17 hours)

BIO 111	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	
or CHE 106	Chemistry for the Health Professions	4
COM 103 or COM 120 or COM 205		3
ENG 101	Composition I.....	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology.....	4
PSY 209	Human Growth and Development	3

<i>Total Semester Credit Hours</i>	<u>60</u>
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