

# Emergency Medical Services

## AWARDS

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES A.S. . . . . .	70 cr
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES A.S. (ACCELERATED TRACK) . . . . .	70 cr
PARAMEDIC DIPLOMA . . . . .	40 cr
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATE . . . . .	9 cr
ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (AEMT) CERTIFICATE . . . . .	10 cr
COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATE . . . . .	12 cr

## PURPOSE

This program is designed to offer comprehensive education and occupational preparation in the field of advanced pre-hospital emergency care. Paramedics are employed by advanced life support ambulance services as well in various out-of-hospital care settings to provide care in medical and traumatic emergencies. Two degree tracks are offered, both leading to an Associate of Science in Emergency Medical Services; a third diploma option is offered for those who may already have a degree, or are seeking a career as a paramedic without completing additional liberal arts coursework.

The Emergency Medical Services program also offers emergency medical technician (EMT) training in basic emergency medical care, as well as training towards the Advanced EMT certificate.

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

A separate program application is required for admittance into the Paramedic Core Program.

## A.S., EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES - TRADITIONAL TRACK (PARAMEDIC) (70 CREDITS)

Paramedic Curriculum . . . . .	40 cr
Liberal Arts . . . . .	30 cr

This track leads to an Associate of Science in Emergency Medical Services. Clinical learning experiences are provided with ambulance services and hospitals throughout the metropolitan area. A Minnesota EMT certificate is required prior to taking the pre-core classes. Graduates are awarded an A.S. degree and are eligible to take the National Registry Paramedic written and practical exam.

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## PARAMEDIC CURRICULUM

40 CREDITS

### Pre-Core Program

EMS 1122	EMS Systems . . . . .	2
EMS 1130	Advanced EMT . . . . .	4
EMS 1131	Advanced EMT Practicum . . . . .	2
EMS 1188	Advanced EMT Patient Care Experience . . . . .	2

### Paramedic Core

*(require formal acceptance into Paramedic Core program)*

EMS 2420	Pathophysiology for EMS . . . . .	3
EMS 2430	Advanced Pharmacology . . . . .	2
EMS 2440	Shock and Trauma . . . . .	2
EMS 2460	Medical Emergencies I . . . . .	3
EMS 2470	Field Skills Practicum I . . . . .	3
EMS 2488	Paramedic Patient Care Experience I . . . . .	2
EMS 2530	Peds/OB/GYN Emergencies . . . . .	2
EMS 2540	Special Rescue Operations . . . . .	2
EMS 2560	Medical Emergencies II . . . . .	4
EMS 2570	Field Skills Practicum II . . . . .	2
EMS 2580	Synthesis of Advanced Life Support . . . . .	1
EMS 2588	Paramedic Patient Care Experience II . . . . .	4

## LIBERAL ARTS

30 CREDITS

ENG 1108	Writing and Research Skills . . . . .	4
ENG 1111	Research Writing in the Disciplines . . . . .	2
COMM 1100	Interpersonal Communication OR	
COMM 2240	Intercultural Communication . . . . .	3
BIOL 1120	Exploring Biology OR	
BIOL 1154	Biology: From Cell to Organism . . . . .	4
BIOL 2201	Anatomy and Physiology I . . . . .	4
BIOL 2202	Anatomy and Physiology II . . . . .	4
PSYC 1230	Psychology of Death, Dying and Loss . . . . .	3
History/Social Science/Behavioral Science (MnTC Goal 5) . . . . .		3
Humanities/Fine Arts/Literature (MnTC Goal 6) . . . . .		3

*Developmental math and developmental English courses may be required for admission to the program, but cannot be applied to graduation requirements.*

**A.S., EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES - ACCELERATED TRACK (PARAMEDIC)**  
(70 CREDITS)

Department Curriculum . . . . .	40 cr
Liberal Arts . . . . .	30 cr

**PROGRAM INFORMATION**

The accelerated track is a separate program offered to paramedics with a current paramedic certification. Students must apply both to the college and the program. Applications are accepted year-round. This track allows working paramedics to complete the A.S. degree at Inver Hills. Students must successfully complete the IHCC credit residency requirement for graduation.

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**DEPARTMENT CURRICULUM 40 CREDITS**

Equivalent Credit for Paramedic Certificate/Experience . . . . .	40
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**LIBERAL ARTS CURRICULUM 30 CREDITS**

ENG 1108 Writing and Research Skills . . . . .	4
ENG 1111 Research Writing in the Disciplines . . . . .	2
COMM 1100 Interpersonal Communication OR COMM 2240 Intercultural Communication . . . . .	3
BIOL 1120 Exploring Biology OR BIOL 1154 Biology: From Cell to Organism . . . . .	4
BIOL 2201 Anatomy and Physiology I . . . . .	4
BIOL 2202 Anatomy and Physiology II . . . . .	4
PSYC 1230 Psychology of Death, Dying and Loss . . . . .	3
History/Social Science/Behavioral Science (MnTC Goal 5) . . . . .	3
Humanities/Fine Arts/Literature (MnTC Goal 6) . . . . .	3

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**PARAMEDIC DIPLOMA**  
(40 CREDITS)

Paramedic Curriculum . . . . .	40 cr
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**PARAMEDIC CURRICULUM 40 CREDITS**

**Pre-Core Program**

EMS 1122 EMS Systems . . . . .	2
EMS 1130 Advanced EMT . . . . .	4
EMS 1131 Advanced EMT Practicum . . . . .	2
EMS 1188 Advanced EMT Patient Care Experience . . . . .	2

**Paramedic Core**

*(Require formal acceptance into Paramedic Core program)*

EMS 2420 Pathophysiology for EMS . . . . .	3
EMS 2430 Advanced Pharmacology . . . . .	2
EMS 2440 Shock and Trauma . . . . .	2
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EMS 2488 Paramedic Patient Care Experience I . . . . .	2
EMS 2530 Peds/OB/GYN Emergencies . . . . .	2
EMS 2540 Special Rescue Operations . . . . .	2
EMS 2560 Medical Emergencies II . . . . .	4
EMS 2570 Field Skills Practicum II . . . . .	2
EMS 2580 Synthesis of Advanced Life Support . . . . .	1
EMS 2588 Paramedic Patient Care Experience II . . . . .	4

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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT)  
CERTIFICATE**  
(9 CREDITS)

**PURPOSE**

This certificate is designed to provide a basic education in emergency medical care, teach the competencies required for students to prepare for the national certification examination and to prepare students for certification and a career as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). This program will teach responsibility in emergency care of the critically sick or injured and develop skills in the use of and care of all basic emergency equipment. The program curriculum includes topics such as patient assessment, trauma skills, care and recognition of heart disease, respiratory problems and other medical emergencies and includes field clinical experience.

In order to enroll in any pre-core paramedic course, you will need to obtain EMT certification.

**PROGRAM INFORMATION**

The EMT program is approved by the Minnesota Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board. Participants who successfully complete the certificate program will be eligible to take the National Registry of EMT's practical and written examinations for State of Minnesota and National Certification and employment as an EMT.

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**EMT CERTIFICATE CURRICULUM** **9 CREDITS**

EMS 1101	Emergency Medical Technician	6
EMS 1102	Emergency Medical Technician Practicum	3

**ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
TECHNICIAN (AEMT) CERTIFICATE**  
(10 CREDITS)

**PURPOSE**

Designed to provide expanded depth and breadth for students who have completed an Emergency Medical Technician course, this curriculum meets the National EMS Education Standards for training of the Advanced EMT (AEMT). The AEMT provides basic and limited advanced medical care to ill and injured patients above the scope of an EMT. Program curriculum includes pathophysiology of medical and traumatic conditions, critical thinking skills, some advanced airway management, basic pharmacology, incident operations, intravenous therapy and fluid administration along with field and hospital experiences. Curriculum in this certificate may be applied toward the Paramedic Certificate or A.S. degree.

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**CORE AEMT CURRICULUM** **10 CREDITS**

EMS 1122	EMS Systems	2
EMS 1130	Advanced EMT Lecture	4
EMS 1131	Advanced EMT Lab	2
EMS 1188	Advanced EMT Experience	2

*Current EMT certification required prior to and during all coursework.*

## COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATE

(12 CREDITS)

### PURPOSE

Provides additional training to certified, experienced paramedics in the areas of public health, health prevention, patient advocacy, triage, disease management, mental health and the management of ongoing illness or injury. The Community Paramedic works under the direction of an EMS Medical Director in cooperation with a primary care doctor. Community Paramedics work for EMS agencies, health care organizations or in other areas of public health.

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<b>COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC CORE CURRICULUM</b>	<b>12 CREDITS</b>
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EMSC 2900	Role of the Community Paramedic . . . . .	2
EMSC 2910	Community Assessment . . . . .	3
EMSC 2920	Pathophysiology and Disease Management for the Community Paramedic . . . . .	2
EMSC 2930	Community Paramedic Patient Care Experience . . . . .	5

