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PURPOSE OF PROGRAM

The Community Paramedicine program is designed to educate practicing paramedics who are primarily employed in the pre-hospital emergency environment to become competent community paramedics. Community paramedics work collaboratively with public health, home care and primary care professionals in non-emergency settings, filling gaps in the healthcare workforce. Community paramedics help patients meet critical health needs by assisting in establishing health systems that promote health and wellness, while serving as advocates, educators, facilitators, liaisons, and resource coordinators. The program is designed to allow paramedics to perform needs assessments and assist in the development of community paramedicine initiatives that meet very specific and individualized community needs.

Paramedics having earned an academic credential (associate degree or higher, in any field) may enroll directly into the advanced certificate level of the program; those candidates who have not yet earned an associate degree will be considered for the Associate Degree in Science level of the program or the Community Paramedicine certificate program.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Community Paramedicine is a new and exciting career choice for experienced paramedics. In addition to serving communities in the traditional roles, community paramedics are employed by acute care hospitals, long term care facilities, assisted living organizations, public health entities, and municipalities.

NMCC is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and employer. For more information, please call 768-2791.

Note: All students are required to meet certain admission requirements, including proof of immunization.

ADMISSION POLICY

Completion of a high school diploma or a state high school equivalency certificate (GED) is required for admission into the Community Paramedicine program. Additionally, all applicants must be paramedics and possess a current healthcare provider Basic Life Support and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support Certifications. National Registry Certification at the paramedic level and at least one year experience are strongly recommended. A rolling admission policy affords candidates the opportunity to apply and be accepted throughout the year, but early application (9-10 months prior to the school year) is recommended because of competition and strict enrollment policies.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The following procedures constitute the admissions process:

1. An application form must be submitted accompanied by a non-refundable \$20 application fee.
2. An official high school transcript must also be submitted (current seniors' transcripts should include completed ranking periods); GED test scores must be submitted by applicants who are not high school graduates.
3. A copy of the applicant's NREMT certification or state/provincial license must accompany the application.
4. Official college transcripts must be submitted by applicants who have attended other colleges or post-secondary schools.
5. Placement testing or appropriate SAT scores, individual interviews and campus tours may be required prior to being admitted.
6. Admissions decisions are made as quickly as possible once a candidate's file is complete.
7. Accepted applicants are required to make a deposit within thirty days of acceptance. Students requesting on campus housing are required to submit an additional deposit to reserve space in the residential complex.
8. Applicants must provide a copy of their Basic Life Support and Advanced Cardiac Life Support certifications to the admissions office.

COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE

2016-2017 Curriculum

Associate in Science Degree Program

First Semester	C	L	CL	CR
♦ ALH 124 Health & Safety Compliance	1	0	0	1
♦ BIO 120 Anatomy & Physiology I	3	2	0	4
♦♦EMS 243 Community Paramedicine	7	3	0	8
♦NUT 101 Intro. to Nutrition	3	0	0	3
	14	5	0	16

Second Semester	C	L	CL	CR
♦ BIO 130 Anatomy & Physiology II	3	2	0	4
♦♦EMS 244 CP Skills Lab	0	3	0	1
♦♦EMS 245 CP Clinical	0	0	9	3
ENG 111 English Composition	3	0	0	3
MAT 125 College Algebra	3	0	0	3
	9	5	9	14

Third Semester	C	L	CL	CR
♦♦EMS 247 Community Paramedic Seminar	0	3	0	1
Communications Elective	3	0	0	3
General Electives	*	*	*	9
PSY 101 General Psychology	3	0	0	3
	6	3	0	16

Fourth Semester	C	L	CL	CR
♦♦EMS 246 Leadership in EMS	2	0	0	2
SOC 111 Sociology	3	0	0	3
Humanities	0	0	0	6
General Elective	0	0	0	3
	5	0	0	14

TOTAL REQUIRED 60

♦ Major courses; a minimum grade of "C" or 2.0 required.

♦♦Community Paramedicine Major Courses; require a minimum grade of '77' or (C+)

Advanced Certificate Program

Career/Vocational	C	L	CL	CR
♦ ALH 124 Health & Safety Compliance	1	0	0	1
♦♦EMS 243 Community Paramedicine	7	3	0	8
♦♦EMS 244 CP Skills Lab	0	0	3	1
♦♦EMS 245 CP Clinical	0	0	9	3
♦♦EMS 246 Leadership in EMS	2	0	0	2
♦♦EMS 247 Community Paramedic Seminar	0	3	0	1
	10	6	12	16

TOTAL REQUIRED 16

Please note that the Advanced Certificate program is only available for those who already possess, at minimum, an associate degree.

♦ Major courses; a minimum grade of "C" or 2.0 required.

♦♦Community Paramedicine Major Courses; require a minimum grade of '77' or (C+)

Certificate Program

First Semester	C	L	CL	CR
♦ ALH 124 Health & Safety Compliance	1	0	0	1
♦♦EMS 243 Community Paramedicine	7	3	0	8
ENG 111 English Composition	3	0	0	3
	11	3	0	12

Second Semester	C	L	CL	CR
♦♦EMS 244 CP Skills Lab	0	3	0	1
♦♦EMS 245 CP Clinical	0	0	9	3
♦♦EMS 246 Leadership in EMS	2	0	0	2
♦♦EMS 247 Community Paramedic Seminar	0	3	0	1
MAT 125 College Algebra	3	0	0	3
	5	6	9	10

TOTAL REQUIRED 22

♦ Major courses; a minimum grade of "C" or 2.0 required.

♦♦Community Paramedicine Major Courses; require a minimum grade of '77' or (C+)

C - class hours

L - lab hours

CL - clinical

CR - credits

- Candidates for admission must present at least one of the following: an active paramedic license or Advanced Care Paramedic license (Canada), proof of equivalent licensure from another state, or NREMT registration at the Paramedic level.

- The clinical externships are faculty directed courses; students work with an assigned preceptor in various clinical rotations in both the hospital and community settings.

- Students must satisfactorily complete the Clinical Compliance Checklist, including immunizations prior to entering any clinical experience. Clinical facilities may prohibit students from their facilities, based on positive criminal background check.

- Applicants who have not successfully completed (73 or higher) ALH 124 within the past 12 months are required to take the course and/or demonstrate competency through work experience.

- A list of suggested courses to complete elective requirements will be provided to students.

- EMS 243 and 246 are provided entirely on-line.

- EMS 244 and EMS 247 will require some travel, but an attempt will be made to work around enrolled student's schedules.

- The clinical coordinator for EMS 245 will make every attempt to have clinical agreements within reasonable proximity of the student's home location.