Emergency Medical Technician

Certificate

DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Fall and Spring Semester Start; Days and Evenings Summer; Days only

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) provide prompt basic emergency care to the critically ill and injured, and safe, expeditious transportation to medical facilities for emergent and non-emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. EMTs are the link from the scene to the emergency health care system and function as part of a comprehensive Emergency Medical Services (EMS) response, under medical oversight. An EMT possesses the knowledge and skills necessary to provide competent and compassionate patient care and transportation.

EMTs perform interventions with the basic equipment typically found on an ambulance. EMTs are trained in patient assessment, anatomy and physiology, pathophysiology, management of medical and trauma patients, medication administration, as well as safe and effective EMS operations. EMTs primarily work on ambulances providing emergent and non-emergent patient care at private, municipal, or fire service-based EMS agencies. They may also work in Emergency Departments, in industrial settings, as well as in education, sports teams, and volunteer groups.

The EMT Certificate prepares students for careers in Emergency Medical Services as EMTs. Upon completion of the EMT Program, graduates will be eligible to take the National Registry of EMTs (NREMT) certification exams. Those who earn NREMT EMT certification will be eligible to seek state licensure in Massachusetts and most other states. Upon completion of coursework, both parts of the NREMT exam (psychomotor and cognitive), and state EMT certification, the graduate may seek employment.

The EMT Program is accredited by the Department of Public Health: Office of Emergency Medical Services.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admissions Requirements:

- High School diploma or equivalent, or Associate Degree or higher
- Placement into EN 98 Fundamentals of Composition II or completion of EN 90 Fundamentals of Composition I with a grade of C or higher
- Reading Placement test score of 246 or higher

Upon acceptance into the Emergency Medical Technician program, students are expected to attend a program- specific orientation. Students in the program are required to obtain certain immunization and health records and submit documentation thereof by published deadlines, which are program-specific and determined by clinical rotation start dates.

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
EM 101	Principles of Prehospital Care	6
EM 105	EMT Clinical and Field Practice	2
	credits:	8
	Total Credits:	8

Students must have a valid, unrestricted driver's license in order to seek employment in the field.

A complete list of the required immunizations can be found on Division of Health Sciences ' web pages of the MassBay website by clicking Health and Background Check Requirements. Immunization requirements are in accordance with clinical site requirements and Massachusetts state law. If the student does not meet the initial published deadline, the student will not attend the clinical rotation.

The student must complete the CORI /SORI (Criminal/Sex Offender Record Information) to authorize a search of conviction and pending criminal case information under Standard Required Level 1 by DCJIS (Department of Criminal Justice Information Services). The CORI/SORI completion process is part of the New Student Orientation. If there is a finding of criminal convictions or "open cases," the student will be ineligible to participate in the Health Sciences Program. A National County Criminal Background check will be conducted as part of the student's completion of the clinical requirements. More information is available on the Division of Health Sciences pages on the MassBay website.

The EMT program requires applicants to attend a recent information session. Times and dates for these sessions can be located at Information Session Schedule

More information is available on the Emergency Medical Technician Program pages on the MassBay website.

PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

EM 101 and EM 105 must be taken together in accordance with the requirements of the MA Office of Emergency Medical Services.

Minimum Grade:

Students must earn a minimum of 77% (C+) in both EM 101 and EM 105 in order to complete the EMT Certificate. Students must meet attend all course meetings and complete all clinical requirements in order to be eligible to sit for certification exams.

Students must be 18 years of age at the time of the National Registry of EMT's Emergency Medical Technician certification exam and Massachusetts EMT Licensure.