EMERGENCY SERVICES - EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY - PARAMEDIC

ECC's emergency services training programs are designed to teach the fundamentals of several emergency services disciplines.

Emergency services programs train firefighters, emergency dispatchers, and emergency medical technicians--basic and paramedic. These programs are designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills to succeed in their chosen disciplines, including fire science and safety (FSS), emergency medical technician-basic (EMT-B), emergency medical technician-paramedic (EMT-P), and emergency dispatcher (PSC). Students acquire specialized knowledge and skills from current emergency services practitioners. Emergency services training programs also benefit veteran emergency services professionals needing to update their skills and education. All training received within ECC’s emergency services training programs complies with local, state, and national certifying agencies; this enables graduates to obtain job-ready certifications.

Accreditation
The Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic (EMT-P) program is approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). AMITA St. Joseph Hospital and Advocate/Sherman Hospital have obtained accreditation through the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP).

Entrance Requirements
- Age 18 years or older
- High school graduate/equivalent
- Current Illinois EMT-B license
- Minimum six months experience as an EMT-B
- Written agreement with an ALS agency for field experience

Additional Requirements
- Score 75 percent or better on the paramedic training written entrance exam.
- Score in the 25th percentile or better in each section of the PSB-HOA exam.

Note: PSB-HOA testing information may be found at elgin.edu/testing. PSB-HOA scores are valid for two years after the testing date.

Admission to the emergency medical technology-paramedic program is selective. Preference is given to candidates employed/sponsored by departments in IDPH EMS Region IX. Qualified applicants from other departments may be considered if space is available. Go to elgin.edu/jointagreements to learn more.

Admission Procedures
Applicants must submit the following items to the ECC Records Office:
- ECC application
- Official high school transcript or high school equivalency certificate

Applicants should contact their fire department chiefs, the EMS Office at Advocate/Sherman Hospital (224-783-3947), or AMITA St. Joseph Hospital (847-695-3200, ext. 5956) to obtain an application packet for the EMT-P program. The deadline to apply for the EMT-P program is May 1. After this date, applications will be considered only if space is available. Applicants will be notified of their status. EMT-P classes begin in August.

Program Requirements
Students must complete all required course sections with grades of C or better to be eligible to sit for the state paramedic licensing exam offered by the IDPH. Students who begin their education after January 1, 2013, and wish to obtain National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) certification must complete their paramedic education at an accredited program recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAAEP).

Students must provide their own uniform and transportation to and from all clinical sites.

Policies and Procedures
Students applying to the EMT-P program must provide a valid Social Security number to be screened for placement on the Illinois Health Care Worker Background Check Registry. Students must be listed on this registry to be eligible to complete required clinical training. Students demonstrating a positive background check will be denied admission to the EMT-P program. A valid Social Security number is also required to apply for licensing/certification exams.

Before attending clinical training, students must have the following documentation on file: negative drug test results, proof of immunizations/titer results, proof of health insurance coverage, and proof of health care provider CPR certification.

EMT-P students must update their drug test, TB test, and flu vaccine on an annual basis. Students demonstrating a positive drug test will be dismissed from the EMT-P program.

The standards, policies, and procedures of the EMT-P program are published in the EMT-P student handbook. Copies of the handbook may be obtained from participating hospitals.

Emergency Medical Technology - Paramedic - Basic Vocational Specialist

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Emergency Medical Technology - Paramedic Courses
All EMT courses numbered 100 and above may be applied to the major field and elective requirement for the Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees.
EMT 121 Paramedic I (6)  
This course encompasses the training of paramedics in the areas of their role, medical/legal considerations, ethics, EMS Systems, personal wellness, injury prevention, general patient assessment, communications, documentation, assessment based management, and life span development. The paramedic student will also learn recognition and treatment of respiratory insufficiency. This course will consist of classroom theory and concurrent laboratory and clinical experience in simulated situations, hospital and pre-hospital settings. (1.2) Proficiency Credit Not Available  
Pass/No Credit Not Available  
SPECIAL NOTE: A criminal background check, and drug test are required for the Emergency Medical Technology(EMT) program. For more information please refer to elgin.edu/emt.

In-District Tuition/Fees: $992 (effective 2019/20 academic year)  
In-district tuition is subject to change based on Board approval (https://elgin.edu/pay-for-college/tuition-fees/).

Prerequisite: Current certification as an EMT-B or I and acceptance into the EMT-P program

Semester(s) Offered: Fall

EMT 122 Paramedic II (6)  
This course encompasses the training of paramedics in the areas of pathophysiology, pharmacology, venous access, medication administration, and specific medical emergencies including those involving pulmonary, cardiology, neurology, endocrinology, toxicology, and hematology diseases. This course will consist of classroom theory and concurrent laboratory and clinical experience in simulated situations, the hospital and out in the field. (1.2) Proficiency Credit Not Available Pass/No Credit Not Available  
SPECIAL NOTE: A criminal background check, drug test, and appropriate PSB-HOA test scores are required for the Emergency Medical Technology(EMT) program. For more information please refer to elgin.edu/emt.

In-District Tuition/Fees: $992 (effective 2019/20 academic year)  
In-district tuition is subject to change based on Board approval (https://elgin.edu/pay-for-college/tuition-fees/).

Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in EMT 121 or concurrent enrollment in EMT 121; EMT 121 should be taken prior to EMT 122 in the same semester

Semester(s) Offered: Fall

EMT 123 Paramedic III (6)  
This course encompasses the training of paramedics in the handling of emergencies relative to infectious and communicable diseases, allergies and anaphylaxis, obstetrics, neonatology, pediatrics, geriatrics, special challenges patients and home health care patients. This course consists of classroom theory and concurrent laboratory/clinical experience in simulated situations, the hospital, and out in the field. (1.2) Proficiency Credit Not Available Pass/No Credit Not Available  
SPECIAL NOTE: A criminal background check, drug test, and appropriate PSB-HOA test scores are required for the Emergency Medical Technology(EMT) program. For more information please refer to elgin.edu/emt.

In-District Tuition/Fees: $992 (effective 2019/20 academic year)  
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Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in EMT 122

Semester(s) Offered: Spring

EMT 124 Paramedic IV (6)  
This course encompasses the training of paramedics in the area of trauma emergencies. It includes the kinetics of trauma, head, neck and spinal injury, body cavity trauma, musculoskeletal injuries, soft tissue trauma, burns, shock, and trauma resuscitation. This course consists of classroom theory and concurrent laboratory/clinical experience in simulated situations, the hospital and out in the field. (1.2) Proficiency Credit Not Available Pass/No Credit Not Available  
SPECIAL NOTE: A criminal background check, drug test, and appropriate PSB-HOA test scores are required for the Emergency Medical Technology(EMT) program. For more information please refer to elgin.edu/emt.

In-District Tuition/Fees: $992 (effective 2019/20 academic year)  
In-district tuition is subject to change based on Board approval (https://elgin.edu/pay-for-college/tuition-fees/).

Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in EMT 123 or concurrent enrollment in EMT 123; EMT 123 should be taken prior to EMT 124 in the same semester

Semester(s) Offered: Summer

EMT 133 Paramedic Seminar (4.5)  
This course will familiarize the paramedic student with ambulance operations, medical incident command, rescue awareness and operations, hazardous materials incidents, crime scene awareness and weapons of mass destruction preparedness. This course will consist of classroom theory and concurrent laboratory and clinical experience in simulated situations, hospital, and prehospital settings. (1.2) Proficiency Credit Not Available Pass/No Credit Not Available  
SPECIAL NOTE: A criminal background check, drug test, and appropriate PSB-HOA test scores are required for the Emergency Medical Technology(EMT) program. For more information please refer to elgin.edu/emt.

In-District Tuition/Fees: $860 (effective 2019/20 academic year)  
In-district tuition is subject to change based on Board approval (https://elgin.edu/pay-for-college/tuition-fees/).

Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in EMT 124

Semester(s) Offered: Spring