

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN — PARAMEDIC

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This unique A.A.S. degree program, a partnership between HCCC and Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare, provides the paramedic student the education necessary to function in an out-of-hospital setting as an emergency medical services professional. Trauma from motor vehicle collisions and the like, as well as medical emergencies such as heart attacks and strokes, all demand professional pre-hospital emergency medical attention. Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic (EMT-P) gives immediate and often life-saving emergency medical care to these patients while on-scene and during transport to medical facilities. Successful graduates will be eligible for certification as Nationally Registered EMT-Paramedics as well as New York State certified Advanced Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedics.

Paramedics have fulfilled prescribed requirements by a credentialing agency to practice the art and science of out-of-hospital medicine in conjunction with medical direction. Through performance of assessments and providing medical care, their goal is to prevent and reduce mortality and morbidity due to illness and injury. Paramedics primarily provide care to emergency patients in an out-of-hospital setting.

Paramedics possess the knowledge, skills and attitudes consistent with the expectations of the public and the profession. Paramedics recognize that they are an essential component of the continuum of care and serve as linkages among health resources.

Paramedics strive to maintain high quality, reasonable cost health care by delivering patients directly to appropriate facilities. As an advocate for patients, paramedics seek to be proactive in affecting long-term health care by working in conjunction with other provider agencies, networks, and organizations. The emerging roles and responsibilities of the Paramedic include public education, health promotion, and participation in injury and illness prevention programs. As the scope of service continues to expand, the Paramedic will function as a facilitator of access to care, as well as an initial treatment provider.

Paramedics are responsible and accountable to medical direction, the public and their peers. Paramedics recognize the importance of research and actively participate in the design, development, evaluation and publication of research. Paramedics seek to take part in life-long professional development, peer evaluation and assume an active role in professional and community organizations.

Career Opportunities

Graduates can expect good paying jobs with ambulance services, fire, police or rescue squad departments. Average annual salaries in New York State range from \$19,000 to \$32,000. Projected annual statewide job openings through 2006 are 250 new jobs and 780 replacement jobs.

1st Semester	Credits	1st Year 2nd Semester	Credits
EM 101 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) – Basic	6	EM 102 Report Writing for Healthcare Professionals	3
EN 111 English I	3	EN 228 Interpersonal Communication	3
FS 100 Freshman Seminar*	1	SC 254 Anatomy & Physiology II	4
SC 253 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	SS 161 Introductory Sociology OR	
SS 151 Introductory Psychology	3	Social Science Elective**	3
Physical Education Activity	1	Mathematics Elective	3
		Physical Education Activity	1
Total	18	Total	17

2nd Year and Beyond
(Conducted at Bassett Healthcare)

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COURSEWORK

EM 201 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - Paramedic I	12 cr. hrs.
EM 202 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - Paramedic II	6 cr. hrs.
EM 203 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - Paramedic III	12 cr. hrs.
EM 204 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - Paramedic IV	6 cr. hrs.

71 Credits Required
for the
Associate in Applied Science Degree

Students should consult with their academic advisor for appropriate course selections.

* FS 100 waived for students entering from Bassett's program.

** SS 263 is recommended.

Selective Admission Requirements

Entry to the EMT Paramedic program as a matriculated student is by selective admission. Applicants to the program will meet with an interview committee composed of personnel from HCCC and Bassett Healthcare. Applicants must meet all the requirements listed in the HCCC catalog for admission as a matriculated student and the following requirements:

- Applicants must not be convicted of or currently charged with a crime or crimes pertaining to murder, manslaughter, assault, sexual abuse, theft, robbery and abuse or sale of drugs.
- Applicant (at his/her own expense) must satisfactorily complete a health evaluation, and submit a Health Evaluation form completed by a NYS Licensed Physician. The form must include a record of required minimum immunizations and titres.
- Applicants must be physically fit as specified in the NYS Department of Health functional job description.
- Applicants must submit one professional and one personal letter of recommendation. Letters from family members are excluded.
- Applicants must agree to abide by all policies of HCCC, Bassett Healthcare, the Paramedic Program and the NYS Department of Health.
- Applicants shall provide evidence to Bassett Healthcare that he/she is covered by an appropriate health insurance.
- All EMS students in a clinical area shall wear appropriate uniforms. The color and style of the uniform shall be designated by Bassett Healthcare. Students are responsible to purchase their own uniforms.