

Foothill College Middlefield Campus Emergency Medical Technician Program Information Guide

Often, the first personnel to arrive at the scene of an emergency is an EMT. An EMT may be a firefighter, ambulance attendant, lifeguard, park ranger, member of a search & rescue team, nurse, or member of a ski patrol. Many police officers, private security personnel, and occupational safety team members are EMT educated. EMT training and experience is the foundation needed for those who desire to become a paramedic.

Employment opportunities could vary depending upon job title, location of job, work shift, and education. Salaries could range from \$25,000 - \$40,000 depending on the factors listed. Dual trained personnel, such as an EMT/Firefighter could earn \$50,000 - \$70,000 a year.

EMT curriculum includes lectures on anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, communicable diseases, scene and patient assessment and medical and trauma management. EMT skill labs include the use of "real life" scenarios during which students communicate with fire and police department responders, and manage the care and transportation of the patient. Students who attain a basic skills level in the classroom must complete a mandatory ten-hour fire department or ambulance ride along or hospital emergency room rotation. This is arranged by the college and is in addition to classroom hours. All students must have current immunizations.

When all course requirements are satisfactorily completed, a Certificate of Program Completion is awarded and student credentials are presented to a county Emergency medical Services Office for certifications to be issued. National registry exams can be taken following course completion. A grade of "C" or better is required for all courses. State certification must be renewed every two years. Including the prerequisite course, Health 55, the EMT program can be completed in three quarters. The EMT program consists of two courses, EMT 304 and EMT 305.

Please call 650-949-6955 for information on program prerequisites.

For more information, visit the Middlefield Campus or call
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Health 55-Emergency Response*

(Prerequisite course)

Summer 2012

Emergency Response	July 3 - August 9	5:30-9:30 pm	TWTh	Room B4
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Fall 2012

Emergency Response	Sept 24 - Dec 12	12:30-3:45 pm	MW	Room B4
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OR

Emergency Response	Sept 25 - Dec 13	5:30-8:45 pm	TTh	Room B4
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Winter 2013

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Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

Summer 2012

EMT 304 (Part A)	July 2 - Sept 19	5:30-8:50 pm	MW	Room C2
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EMT 305 (Part B)	July 3 - Sept 20	5:30-8:50 pm	TTh	Room C2
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Fall 2012

EMT 304 (Part A)	Sept 25 - Dec 13	5:30-8:50 pm	TTh	Room C2
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EMT 305 (Part B)	Sept 24 - Dec 12	5:30-8:50 pm	MW	Room C2
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Winter 2013

TBA

EMT 303, EMT Recertification: This course is generally offered summer and winter quarters. Enroll into EMT 303 and attend the first class meeting of EMT 304 to arrange a schedule with the instructor.

*Note that Health 55 must be taken before EMT 304, and EMT 304 must be taken before EMT 305. Classes cannot be taken concurrently. For additional information, please call Charlie McKellar at (650) 949-6955 or visit our website at <http://www.foothill.edu/bio/programs/emt>

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