

The EMS training program offers two different programs of study for the student desiring to become a paramedic. Both programs will develop field/clinical ready paramedics with the required knowledge and skills to care for patients who are injured due to trauma or suffer from medical problems. The diploma program is an intense course of study designed to allow the student to be eligible to take the National Registry for Emergency Medical Technicians-Paramedic test after completing the course of study in one year. Due to the accelerated pace of this program, it is strongly encouraged the student have some real life experience as an EMT prior to the beginning of this program. Students will receive their Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), Prehospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) and Advanced Medical Life Support (AMLS) certifications during this program of study. Upon successful certification by the National Registry, students will be able to apply for their license to practice as a Paramedic in the State of Nebraska. This program is approved through the State of Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure.

Completion of EMTL 1840 Emergency Medical Technician Part I and EMTL 1845 Emergency Medical Technician Part II or current EMT license or certification by National Registry of EMT are a prerequisite for acceptance into the Northeast Paramedic program.

Many of the field and clinical sites used by Northeast Community College for the paramedic program require that students coming into their facilities have a criminal background check completed. Students will be required to submit to a criminal background check and drug testing each year of the paramedic program. Individuals with a criminal record may not be eligible to complete clinical/field education in some settings based on the results of their criminal background check. Students will also be required to have a physical and show proof of current immunizations at the beginning of each school year.



The Northeast Community College Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). To contact CAAHEP: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs 9355 113th St. N. #7709 Seminole, FL 33775 | www.caahep.org. To contact CoAEMSP: 8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312 | Rowlett TX 75088 | (214) 703-8445 | FAX (214) 703-8992 www.coaemsp.org

Required Program of Study for Diploma (1 year)

Fall Semester - First 8 weeks

| Course | Credits |
|---|---------|
| EMTL 2641 Paramedic I..... | 5 |
| EMTL 2651 Paramedic Clinical Practicum I..... | 1.5 |
| EMTL 2661 Paramedic Field Practicum I..... | 1 |
| Mathematics* (16 weeks) | 3 |

Fall Semester - Second 8 weeks

| Course | Credits |
|---|-------------|
| EMTL 2642 Paramedic II | 5 |
| EMTL 2652 Paramedic Clinical Practicum II | 1.5 |
| EMTL 2662 Paramedic Field Practicum II | 1 |
| | <u>18.0</u> |

Spring Semester - First 8 weeks

| Course | Credits |
|---|---------|
| EMTL 2643 Paramedic III..... | 5 |
| EMTL 2653 Paramedic Clinical Practicum III..... | 2 |
| EMTL 2663 Paramedic Field Practicum III..... | 1 |
| Communication* (16 weeks)..... | 3-6 |

Spring Semester - Second 8 weeks

| Course | Credits |
|---|-----------|
| EMTL 2644 Paramedic IV..... | 5 |
| EMTL 2654 Paramedic Clinical Practicum IV | 2 |
| EMTL 2664 Paramedic Field Practicum IV | 1 |
| | <u>19</u> |

Summer Session I and II

| Course | Credits |
|--|-------------|
| EMTL 2852 Paramedic Field Internship | 4.25 |
| EMTL 1870 Prehospital Trauma Life Support..... | 1 |
| EMTL 1880 Advanced Medical Life Support..... | 1 |
| | <u>6.25</u> |

Total Credit Hours 43.25-46.25

*See general education requirements for associate of applied science degree.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS (EMT) AND PARAMEDIC

The demand for part-time and full-time, paid and volunteer EMTs and paramedics is high in both rural and metropolitan areas. An increase in the number of specialized medical facilities requires more EMTs and paramedics to transfer patients with specific conditions to these facilities for treatment. Hospitals are also employing Paramedics in the Emergency Department.

EMTs and paramedics work shifts in 12- or 24-hour increments. EMTs and paramedics need to be physically fit, as their job requires a lot of bending, lifting, and kneeling.

An EMT-Basic cares for patients at the scene and has the skills to assess a patient's condition and treat with oxygen, basic medications, and start IVs.

An EMT-Intermediate has completed the requirements for the EMT level, as well as instruction in more advanced medical procedures such as administering IV medications and placing an advanced airway.

Paramedic training is quite rigorous and can take one to two years to complete. Paramedics can perform more invasive skills as part of a patient's prehospital care. They can give medications orally and through IVs, interpret EKGs, and other monitors and complex equipment

Source: <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/ems-and-paramedics.htm>

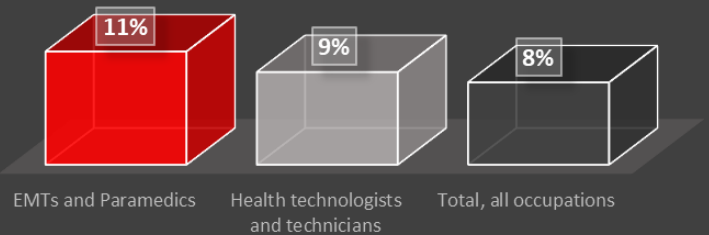


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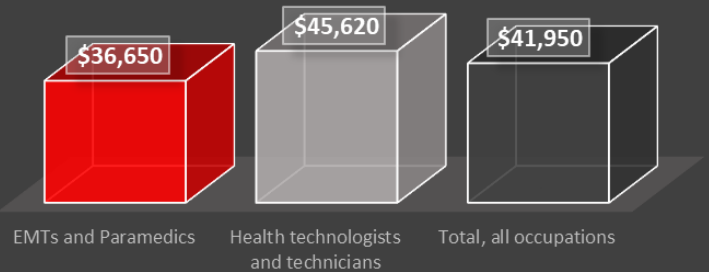
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EMTS AND PARAMEDICS % change in employment, projected 2020-30



Note: All Occupations includes all occupations in the U.S. Economy.
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment Projections program.

EMTS AND PARAMEDICS Median annual wages, May 2020



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Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics.

TUITION: Estimated 2021-22 in-state tuition and fees for a diploma in this program is \$5,406 to \$5,781 and an associate degree in this program is \$7,781.