

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT IN PARAMEDICINE

Credit Status:

Credit

Program Award:

Certificate of Achievement (16+ units)

Effective Term:

Spring 2025

Program Title

Certificate of Achievement in Paramedicine

Program Goal:

CTE

Secondary Program Goal

Local

Catalog Description:

The Paramedic program is designed to prepare the student for licensure as a Paramedic. It is an intense, full-time program consisting of lectures, skills lab, clinical practice, and field internship. Students must possess a current CPR-Health Care Provider Card and are also recommended to have a current EMT license and six-months of recent work experience.

Paramedic Program Admission Requirements

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
- 2.5 or higher GPA on combined paramedic prerequisites to earn credit
 - EMT 251 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - 6 semester units including a lab component; or equivalent
- A minimum grade of "C" in all prerequisite courses is required to receive credit. Be advised that a "C" in all prerequisites courses does not meet the 2.5 minimum GPA requirements. Students are ranked for admission based on grades in Human Anatomy and Human Physiology, Microbiology.
- No more than two repetitions of any EMT course is allowed. "W" counts as a repeat.
- Current NREMT or Local EMS Authority EMT Certification
- Current American Heart Association (AHA) BLS Healthcare Provider CPR Card.
- Completion of Paramedic Program Application submitted by deadline
- Completion of the Paramedic Program written entrance exam by the application deadline
- Strongly recommend six months of full-time verified work experience as an EMT on an emergency response vehicle, such as a fire engine or private ambulance

Career and Transfer Opportunities:

Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of this certificate, students will be prepared for careers or employment in the following positions: Emergency Medical Services Paramedic, emergency room technicians, medical offices, fire departments, entertainment, and large venue services.

Program Outcomes:

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- Demonstrate entry-level skills for a variety of roles at the entry-level as a Paramedic.
- Demonstrate sufficient preparation to pass the NREMT-P.
- Apply skills in didactic, psycho-motor, and affective domains needed to perform the duties as a Paramedic in the community.
- Complete the Paramedic National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Advanced Level Paramedic Exam preparation.
- Demonstrate competent intellectual, hands-on, and professional skills to provide Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic level services.
- Adhere to professional behaviors set by the Paramedic Program Code of Ethics.



- Demonstrate patient safety at all times.
- Achieve a successful transition to employment as a Paramedic.

Requirements

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Code	Title	Units
PROGRAM PREREQUISITES		6
HLTH 406	CPR for Health Care Providers	0
EMT 251	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)	6
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REQUIRED CERTIFICATE COURSES		37
PM 230	Paramedic Preparation	7
PM 201	Paramedic Theory	16
PM 202	Paramedic Clinical Experience	4
PM 203	Paramedic Field Internship	10
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TOTAL		37

The Certificate of Achievement requirements include completion of the certificate courses with a “C” or better grade in each course.

Units for Degree Major or Area of Emphasis (Min):

37

Units for Degree Major or Area of Emphasis (Max):

37

Total Units for Degree (Min):

37

Total Units for Degree (Max):

37

TOP Code:

125100 - * Paramedic

Enrollment and Completer Projection:

Course Number	Course Title	Required / Electives	Annual Number of Sections (Yr 1)	Annual Enrollment Total (Yr 1)	Annual Number of Sections (Yr 2)	Annual Enrollment Total (Yr 2)
PM 230	Paramedic Preparation	Required	1	24	1	24
PM 201	Paramedic Theory	Required	1	24	1	24
PM 202	Paramedic Clinical	Required	1	24	1	24
PM 203	Paramedic Field Internship	Required	1	24	1	24

Enrollment Projections:

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Place of Program in Curriculum/Similar Programs:

The COS Paramedic program is currently part of the public safety program on the COS Hanford campus. This program is an extension of the EMT-Basic course.

Similar Programs at other colleges in Service Area:

West Hills College has a similar Paramedic program in the local area. The West Hills College program is a longer duration program than the proposed accelerated program to be offered with COS.

**Master Planning:**

This program will advance the public safety programs throughout the colleges current offering. It will expand the current EMT-Basic program to the advanced Paramedic level. Several requests have been received from outside agencies to implement this program to meet the demand of Paramedic level services in the Central Valley.

Other Attachments:**Other Attachments**

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State Program Control Number:

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