

PROGRAM OVERVIEW and PREREQUISITES

The Butte College Paramedic Program is designed to prepare the student to become a Certified Paramedic in the State of California. This program is accredited by CoAEMSP (nationally). It exceeds State of California requirements and is approved by SSV EMSA. Certification examinations may be taken upon completion of the one school year program.

To be successful in this program, the student must be able to work with a wide variety of people, have a good knowledge of anatomy and physiology, have good math and English skills, be able to adapt to new situations and be in good physical condition. It is also recommended that the student have experience as an Emergency Medical Technician I, a medical corpsman, or have a background in other emergency medical services.

Program Prerequisites

- Proof of high school graduation or equivalent
- Completion of college level Human Anatomy with a grade of "C" or better (no online lab).
- Completion of college level Human Physiology with a grade of "C" or better (no online lab).
- Placement in Reading Level IV on Butte College assessment (or equivalent coursework)
- Placement in English Level IV on Butte College assessment (or equivalent coursework)
- Placement in Math Level IV on Butte College assessment (or equivalent coursework)
- Proof of Emergency Medical Technician I or II Certification **or** successful completion of National Registry exam
- Proof of CPR Certification- Healthcare Provider/ Professional Rescuer level **or** equivalent.

Prerequisites may be in progress at the time of application; however, admission priority will be given to those applicants that have completed all prerequisites at the time of application.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Paramedic Program

Next Program Begins Fall 2012
Application Deadline: March 31, 2012



Butte College

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EMT / PARAMEDIC CURRICULUM

Certificate of Achievement

EMS 170	EMT Paramedic Theory
EMS 171	EMT Paramedic Clinical Lab and Field Internship
FSC 201A	Hazardous Materials Technology
FSC 201D	Confined Space Rescue Awareness
FSC 203N	Rescue Awareness and Operations
FSC 203O	Medical Incident Command
FSC 203E	Vehicle Extrication

Additional Coursework for A.S. Degree

(may be taken before or after the program sequence)

Any Class	G.E. - Area B*
ENGL2**	G.E. - Area D*
HUM	G.E. - Area C
COMM	G.E. - Area E
PE	Two Activity Courses
MATH	Math Requirement (competency may be met by assessment score)
ELECTIVE	One Course Selected From Areas A-E***

* Specified required GE courses.

** Completion of ENGL 2 with a "C" or better fulfills the reading and English Associate Degree requirements.

HLTH 2 is waived for the Paramedic degree.

However, an additional three unit course from Area A through E is required in place of HLTH 2.

(Note: If fulfilling math requirement by course completion and not by competency, the three required elective units may be fulfilled with a math course.)

NOTE: Beginning Fall 2009, first time students and students not covered by previous catalog rights must complete a math course higher than MATH 108 in order to graduate with an associate's degree. Students should contact the Counseling Office with questions regarding this new graduation requirement.

EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT

Educational/Employment Opportunities

1. Certificate / Degree / Licensure
Certificate: Certificate of Achievement (one year track)

Licensure: This program enables the student to qualify for the State of California Licensure Examination.

Degree: Non-transferable Associate of Science Degree in Paramedic (to qualify for the Associate Degree, special requirements and specific course/ options must be completed).

2. Working under the supervision of physicians, nurses, and paramedics, students who successfully complete the program will be able to evaluate and treat a wide variety of medical and trauma emergencies in the pre-hospital setting. They will be able to administer medications, start intravenous lines, interpret EKG rhythm strips, defibrillate patients in cardiac arrest, and administer many other advanced life support procedures.

Employment opportunities for licensed paramedics are available within the State of California. These opportunities are expected to continue in the foreseeable future.

Applications will be available December 1 for the Fall program.
For additional information, please call the
Health Occupations Office
(530) 879-4310

The Butte 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).

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
1361 Park Street
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SELECTION/ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE

Selection Process

1. Prerequisite courses may be in progress at the time of application. However, priority will be given to those candidates who have successfully completed all prerequisites prior to the application closing date.
2. If there are more qualified applicants than spaces in the program, the class will be selected by means of a computer lottery.
3. After the selected individuals have been enrolled and registered for the class, the remaining qualified applicants will be maintained on a wait list for future admission.
4. Subsequent classes will be enrolled first from wait list applicants who have completed any outstanding requirements and confirmed their continuing interest by reapplying to the program. If a qualified applicant fails to submit a new application, his/her name will be removed from the list. The balance of program openings will be filled by new qualified applicants who have been selected through the lottery process.



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