



Course Outline

2026-2027 Catalog

EMS 171 - Paramedic Clinical and Field Internship

Catalog Description

Transfer Status: NT

Prerequisite: EMS 170

Unit(s): 15.50

Lab: 790.50 Contact hours/0.00 Out of class hours/790.50 Total hours/15.50 Unit(s)

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Course Description: This course provides the Paramedic student simulation skills lab, hospital clinical and field internship experience required to meet the state of California requirements for paramedic training. The course meets accreditation requirements of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSP). The course follows U.S. Department of Transportation Paramedic National Standard Curriculum. Upon successful completion, in combination with successful completion of EMS 170, the student will be eligible to take the National Registry Exam required for licensure as a Paramedic in the state of California. Graded only.

Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. demonstrate, in the prehospital setting, the ability to comprehend, apply, analyze, and evaluate information relevant to their role as an entry level Paramedic.
2. demonstrate, in the prehospital setting, technical proficiency in all skills necessary to fulfill the role of an entry level Paramedic.
3. demonstrate, in the prehospital setting, personal behavior consistent with professional and employer expectations for the entry level Paramedic.

Course Content

Topic Titles / Suggested Time Topic	
	<u>Lab</u>
<u>Topics</u>	<u>Lab Hrs</u>
Clinical: NTICU/ICU	24.00
Clinical: Pediatric Center	8.00
Clinical: Emergency Dispatch Center	4.00
Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) Training	16.00
Technical Emergency Response Training (TERT) through FEMA	32.00
Area Hospital Orientations	8.00
Lab: Simulation and Scenario	22.00
Clinical: Emergency Department	94.00
Clinical: Surgery	40.00
Clinical: OB/GYN	32.00
Field Internship, which may include:	478.50
a. Airway Management: minimum of 50 patients	
b. Ventilatory Support	
c. Circulation and Shock	
d. Patient Assessment	
e. Fractures and Dislocations	
f. Medication Administration	
g. Obstetrical Emergencies	
h. EKG Recognition and Treatment	
i. Communication and Documentation	
j. Minimum of 40 Advanced Life Support Patient Contacts	
Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), American Heart	16.00
Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS), NAEMT	16.00
Total Hours: 790.50	

Methods of Instruction

- A. Field Experience/Internship
- B. Supervised hospital clinical experience. Supervised field internship experience.

Methods of Evaluation

- A. Portfolios
- B. Demonstration
- C. Practical Evaluations
- D. Students will have knowledge, skills and professional behavior evaluated daily and periodically by clinical and field preceptors in conjunction with the principal instructor using standardized evaluation criteria and tools provided to the student in the Clinical and Field Internship manuals. Students must meet minimum criteria as described in the clinical and field internship manuals and meet all criteria in Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 4 of the California Code of Regulations.

Examples of Assignments

Reading Assignments

1. Utilize the current "SSV Field Protocols & Procedures" text to review the policy on transporting patients with infusions of magnesium sulfate, nitroglycerin, heparin and amiodarone and be prepared to discuss the parameters of this kind of patient transport with your Preceptor.
2. Utilizing the current "SSV Field Protocols & Procedures" text, review how to treat CHF vs COPD and be prepared to discuss diagnostic differences with your Preceptor.

Writing Assignments

1. Complete a Pre-Hospital Care Report narrative for a patient for whom you provided care and treatment.
2. Document an "Against Medical Advice" form on a patient refusing medical care and treatment.

Out-of-Class Assignments

1. Not applicable
2. not applicable

Recommended Materials of Instruction

Other Learning Materials

Standardized evaluation forms provided by the program for evaluation by clinical preceptors.

The student will need to purchase:

1. Personal eye protection suitable for hospital use
2. Stethoscope
3. Scissors suitable for field use
4. Designated uniform
5. Picture ID badge

Clinical and Field Internship manuals provided by the program.

Objectives documentation forms provided by the program.

Minimum Qualifications

Administration of Justice

Emergency Medical Technologies

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