



Paramedic CCC (3042)

Degree: A.S. in Emergency Medical Services

Certificate(s): Paramedic CCC



The College Credit Certificate in Paramedic trains you to provide emergency, out-of-hospital care under the direction of an emergency physician. Paramedics direct and manage patient care aspects of the emergency response team. The emergency response team is generally composed of public safety and community service agency personnel who respond to traffic accidents, and other life-threatening situations. The Paramedic program includes a three-term sequence of lecture, lab, hospital clinical, and emergency medical services clinical courses and instruction. Instruction includes patient airway management, patient assessment, trauma emergencies, medical emergencies, assessment-based management, and ambulance operations. Credits will articulate directly toward the A.S. degree in Emergency Medical Services (Program #1660).

The SFSC Emergency Medical Services program is accredited by the:

- Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
- Committee on Accreditation Emergency Medical Services Programs (CoAEMSP)
- Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

Program Description:

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Program Map to choose courses, with your program navigator's assistance, and track your progress toward milestones and the completion of the program. Alternate cohorts can be added to accommodate part-time students.

Admissions Requirements

This is a limited access program with admission requirements dictated by state, national, and local advisory committee standards. These additional requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Have completed the Emergency Medical Technician course from a State of Florida approved EMS training center. State of Florida certification is required prior to starting the second term of the Paramedic program
2. Submission of the completed Public Safety Application (located online)
3. Program-approved physical examination, immunization history, and other required forms completed and submitted to the program offices
4. Background check and 10-panel drug screening

Class selection is completed approximately 8-20 weeks prior to the first date of class. Priority is given to applicants with the highest points as evaluated from the data collected in the program application. Points are based on the following:

Employment

- Rural 911 agency – 40 points
- Non-Rural 911 agency – 30 points
- Intra-facility transport – 20 points
- Hospital/Physician office – 10 points
- Not employed as an EMT – 0 points

Years of work experience (EMS related)

- 1 point for every year of experience (25 points maximum)

Education

- Bachelor's or advanced degree – 25 points
- Associate degree (A.S. or A.A.) – 10 points
- Some college-level courses – 5 points

Application

- Completed college and program applications – 10 points

Maximum Points = 100

Recommended Soft Skills

Integrity	Consistent honesty, able to be trusted with property and confidential information
Empathy	Showing compassion to others, responding appropriately to emotional responses
Self-Motivation	Taking on and following through on tasks without constant supervision.
Self-Confidence	The ability to trust personal judgment, demonstrating an awareness of strengths and limitations
Communication	Speaking clearly, writing legibly, listening actively, and adjusting communications as needed
Time Management	Consistent punctuality, completing tasks and assignments on time
Teamwork & Diplomacy	Placing the success of the team above self- interest
Respect	Being polite to others and behaving in a manner that brings credit to the profession



Term 1					
Check when complete	Course Number	Title	CR	Spring Cohort	Summer Cohort
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1010C	Anatomy for Paramedics	3	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1014	Paramedic Preparatory	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1600	Paramedic Fundamentals	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1600L	Paramedic Fundamentals Lab	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1681	Paramedic Special Considerations	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1681L	Paramedic Special Considerations Lab	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1641	Paramedic Clinical Experience I	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1555	Paramedic Trauma Management	2	X	
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1555L	Paramedic Trauma Management Lab	1	X	
Total Semester Credit Hours =				18 (Spring)	15 (Summer)

MILESTONE 1: Successful completion of all of the courses this term is required for continuing to the second term. Any student not State of Florida certified as an EMT in Term 1, is required to provide proof of certification prior to continuing to the next term.

Term 2					
Check when complete	Course Number	Title	CR	Spring Cohort	Summer Cohort
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1555	Paramedic Trauma Management	2		X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1555L	Paramedic Trauma Management Lab	1		X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1685	Paramedic Medical Emergencies	3	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1685L	Paramedic Medical Emergencies Lab	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1686	Paramedic Special Emergencies	3	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1686L	Paramedic Special Emergencies Lab	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1687	Paramedic Rescue Emergencies	1	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1642	Paramedic Clinical Experience II	3	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1657	Paramedic Field Experience	2	X	X
Total Semester Credit Hours =				15 (Summer)	18 (Fall)

MILESTONE 2: Completion of this term is required for continuing to the third (final) term.

Term 3 (Final Term)					
Check when complete	Course Number	Title	CR	Spring Cohort	Summer Cohort
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1616	Paramedic Patients with Special Needs	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1616L	Para. Patients with Special Needs Lab	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1687L	Paramedic Rescue Emergencies Lab	2	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS 1658	Paramedic Field Internship	3	X	X
Total Semester Credit Hours =				9 (Fall)	9 (Spring)

MILESTONE 3: Completion of this term makes the graduate eligible for the paramedic certification examination. Certified graduates are eligible for advancement with current employer or initial employment as a paramedic.



Career Resources

SFSC's Career Development Center website provides detailed, guided information on career exploration and transfer programs: southflorida.edu/current-students/career-development-center.

Career Information

Common Job Titles

- Paramedic
- Paramedic/Firefighter
- Firefighter/Paramedic

Regional Labor Market Information

- Desoto County Fire Rescue: desotobocc.com/departments/public_safety
- Hardee County Fire Rescue: hardeecounty.net
- Highlands County Fire Rescue: hcbcc.net/departments/PublicSafety/index.php
- Positive Medical Transport: pmtinc.us/

Legend

GPS Coach = the individual who assists with your orientation to SFSC and gets you started on your path.

Academic Advisor = the individual who helps you plan your coursework and recommends the best path for you.

Program Navigator = the individual who keeps you on your path and leads you all the way to graduation.