EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMTP)

EMTP 1000. EMT Basics. (6 Credits)
This course is the initial course for the certification of the emergency medical technician-basic level as defined by the U.S. Department of Transportation EMT-Basic National Standard curriculum. Along with successful completion of EMTP 1025, the student will be able to take the national Registry of EMT’s certifying exam for the EMT-B level, which is the minimum level required to be employed with an ambulance service in the State of Georgia. Topics include: Introduction to Emergency Medical Care, the human body, airway evaluation and management, patient assessment, medical emergencies, pediatric and geriatric emergencies, ambulance operations, and CPR. This course also requires hospital emergency center and ambulance clinical rotations. Prerequisites: None. Corequisite: EMTP 1025. Offered: On demand.

EMTP 1021. Intro/Emergency Med Services. (6 Credits)
This course introduces the student to the emergency Medical Technician profession. This course covers information found in the U.S. Department of Transportation Basic and Intermediate/85 curricula. Topics include: introduction to emergency care, EMS systems, well-being of the EMT, medical-legal aspects of emergency care, roles and responsibilities, medical terminology, blood and airborne pathogens, infectious diseases, ambulance and emergency vehicle operations, the human body, patient assessment, communications and documentation, lifting and moving patients, gaining access, airway assessment and management, basic life support (CPR) and automatic external defibrillation. Corequisite: None. Prerequisite: None. Offered: Fall, Summer.

EMTP 1102. Trauma for the Paramedic. (3 Credits)
This course includes and expands upon the material from the Trauma Module of the National EMS Education Standards. The course contains units on trauma systems, mechanism of injury, soft tissue trauma, head and facial injuries, spinal trauma, thoracic and abdominal injuries, and musculoskeletal trauma. Also included are units on hypothermia, hyperthermia, drowning, diving emergencies, and high altitude illness from the environmental emergencies section of the Trauma Module. Patient assessment and management in an organized, timely fashion using the ITLS approach to trauma care is emphasized. Students must successfully complete the ITLS class at the end of the course. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Spring. Credits: 3.00 Credit Hours (3.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).

EMTP 1104. Medical Emergencies for the Paramedic. (5 Credits)
This course includes material covered in the current National EMS Education Standard Medical Module as well as the material on patients with Special Challenges and Acute Interventions for Chronic Care from the Special Considerations Module. Other units covered are: anatomy and physiology of the nervous system, neurologic emergencies, endocrine emergencies, anaphylaxis, immune disorders, GI and GU emergencies, dialysis emergencies, toxicology including poisoning, substance abuse, and envenomation, alcoholism, infectious disease and hematologic emergencies. A four hour weekly supervised lab is included. Students must complete specified psychomotor skills and perform as a team leader and team member in formative and summative prehospital scenarios. Students must complete the Advanced Stroke Life Support Course during the class. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Spring. Credits: 5.00 Credit Hours (4.00 Lecture - 4.00 Lab).

EMTP 1108. IntrmAmbulance Op & Med Emerg. (4 Credits)
This course includes the material from the Medical Emergencies and EMS Operations section of the current National EMS Education Standard. It includes units on respiratory, cardiac, diabetic, allergic, poisoning and overdoses, neurological, abdominal, and environmental emergencies in the adult patient as well as the geriatric patient. In addition, EMTP 1108 includes basic information on ambulance operations. Students will practice safe vehicle operations, stretcher safety, patient movement, intermediate level patient assessment and management. Actual field application and clinical decision making will be required. Prerequisites: Limited to Fast-Track Paramedic students admitted to EMS Program. Corequisite: None. Offered: Fall.

EMTP 1109. Paramedic Practicum I. (2 Credits)
This course is the first of three practicums designed to provide the student with the opportunity to perform a comprehensive history and physical examination to identify factors affecting the health and health needs of a patient. Formulate a field impression based on an analysis of comprehensive assessment findings, anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, and epidemiology. Relate assessment findings to underlying pathological and physiological changes in the patient’s condition. Integrate and synthesize the multiple determinants of health and clinical care. Perform health screening and referrals. Effectively communicate in a manner that is culturally sensitive and intended to improve the patient outcome. Students will also have the opportunity to perform basic and advanced interventions as part of a treatment plan intended to mitigate the emergency, provide symptom relief, and improve the overall health of the patient in the clinical setting. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (0.00 Lecture - 9.00 Lab).

EMTP 1111. Essentials of EMS. (2 Credits)
This course includes material from the Preparatory and Assessment Modules of the current National EMS Education Standard. It is designed to provide the student with comprehensive knowledge patient assessment techniques. Topics covered in this course are: Therapeutic communications, history taking, and a body systems approach to the physical exam. Other topics included are: IV therapy, individual health risk assessment, and unique aspects of pediatric, geriatric, and psychiatric evaluation are discussed. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (1.00 Lecture - 3.00 Lab).

EMTP 1112. Psychiatric Emergencies. (2 Credits)
This course includes materials from the Medical Module of the current National EMS Education standard. Topics include mental health and illness, psychiatric terminology and medications, mental status examination, suicide and homicide assessment, substance abuse assessment, domestic violence, spouse and child abuse, rape, death and dying, interview techniques and effective listening and communication skills. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (2.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).
EMTP 1113. Pharmacology. (4 Credits)
This course includes and expands upon the material from the Pharmacology and Venous Access and Medication Administration Sections of the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards. It includes basic units on drug information, drug actions, weights and measures, and medication administration. It also includes advanced units on systemic pharmacology and therapeutics of drugs affecting the central and autonomic nervous systems, cardiovascular system, respiratory system, hematologic system, renal system, endocrine system, gastrointestinal system, and immune system. It concludes with a unit on the paramedic drug box contents, maintenance, and administration. This course includes a four hour weekly supervised lab. Students must complete specified psychomotor skills and perform as a team leader and team member in formative scenarios. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 4.00 Credit Hours (3.00 Lecture - 4.00 Lab).

EMTP 1115. OB/GYN/Neonatal Emrg/Paramedic. (2 Credits)
This course includes material from the Medical and Special Considerations Modules of the current National EMS Education Standards. It includes the following topics: anatomy and physiology of the female reproductive system, abdominal pain, vaginal bleeding, rape, physiology of pregnancy, fetology, normal and abnormal labor and delivery, and post-partum complications. The ITLS approach to trauma in pregnancy is emphasized. In addition, determination of the APGAR scoring and care of the high-risk neonate are included. A unit on resuscitation of the neonate concludes this course. Prerequisite: None. Corequisite: None. Offered: Summer.

EMTP 1117. Respiratory for the Paramedic. (2 Credits)
This course includes and expands on the material from the Airway Management, Respiration and Artificial Ventilation section and the Respiratory section of the Medicine Modules of the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards. The following units are covered: anatomy and physiology of the respiratory system, acid-base and arteiral blood gases, respiratory assessment, pulse oximetry, waveform capnography, oxygen therapy, basic airway management techniques, positive pressure ventilation, advanced airway techniques, endotracheal intubation, pathophysiology, assessment, and management of patients with acute and chronic respiratory problems. A unit on anesthesia essentials and rapid sequence intubation concludes the course. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (2.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).

EMTP 1118. Pediatric Emrg Paramedic. (2 Credits)
This course includes material from the Special Considerations Modules of the current National EMS Education Standards. The following topics are included: pediatric assessment, developmental stages, family assessment and management, respiratory emergencies, child safety, trauma, dehydration, shock, infant and child BLS and ACLS, neurologic emergencies, SIDS, child abuse, and care of children with special needs. After the pediatric emergencies labs and clinical practicum, have been completed, students must successfully complete the emergency Pediatric Care Course for Advanced Providers. Prerequisite: None. Corequisite: None. Offered: Fall and Summer.

EMTP 1119. Ped. Emerg. Clinical Practicum. (1 Credit)
In this course students will perform patient assessment and management techniques on infants and children in the hospital setting. Students will assess developmental stages, communicate with patients and family members, and treat pediatric patients with respiratory infections, gastroenteritis, sickle cell crises and a variety of medical and traumatic emergencies. Lab sessions will include pediatric oxygen therapy and airway adjuncts, management of pediatric shock including IV and intraosseous therapy, child and infant BLS and ACLS, pediatric ITLS, and miscellaneous medical emergencies scenarios. After the pediatric emergencies labs and clinical practicum have been completed, students must successfully complete the Emergency Pediatric Care Course. Prerequisite: None. Corequisite: None. Offered: Spring and Fall.

EMTP 1120. Paramedic Practicum II. (2 Credits)
This course is the second of three practicums designed to provide the student with the opportunity to perform a comprehensive history and physical examination to identify factors affecting the health and health needs of a patient. Formulate a field impression based on an analysis of comprehensive assessment findings, anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, and epidemiology. Relate assessment findings to underlying pathological and physiological changes in the patient’s condition. Integrate and synthesize the multiple determinants of health and clinical care. Perform health screening and referrals. Effectively communicate in a manner that is culturally sensitive and intended to improve the patient outcome. Students will also have the opportunity to perform basic and advanced interventions as part of a treatment plan intended to mitigate the emergency, provide symptom relief, and improve the overall health of the patient in the clinical setting. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Spring. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (0.00 Lecture - 9.00 Lab).

EMTP 1125. Summative Evaluation for the Paramedic. (2 Credits)
This course includes material from all areas of the paramedic program. It is designed to provide a comprehensive overview and evaluation of the students Cognitive, Affective, and Psychomotor preparation for both the National Registry Examination and entry into the EMS profession. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Summer. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (1.00 Lecture - 4.00 Lab).

EMTP 1126. Cardiovascular Emergencies for the Paramedic I. (2 Credits)
This course includes material from the cardiovascular portion of the Medical Module of the National EMS education Standards. Topics include units in anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular system, basic cardiac arrhythmia interpretation, pacemaker rhythms, and introduction to current field monitor/defibrillator units. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (2.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).
EMTP 1127. Cardiovascular Emergencies for the Paramedic II. (3 Credits)
This course includes the remaining material from the cardiovascular portion of the medicine module of the National EMS Education Standards. Topics include anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular system, cardiovascular assessment, atherosclerosis, coronary artery disease, risk factor identification and reduction, acute coronary syndrome, heart failure, sudden arrhythmic death, hypertensive emergencies, cardiogenic shock, abdominal aortic aneurysm, arterial occlusion, venous thrombosis, aortic dissection, thromboembolism, infectious disease of the heart and congenital heart defects. Units on artificial pacemakers, defibrillation, cardioversion, 12-lead EKGs, circulatory adjuncts, and ACLS algorithms are also included. At the conclusion of the course, students must successfully complete the American Heart Association’s Advance Cardiac Life Support Course. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Spring. Credits: 3.00 Credit Hours (3.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).

EMTP 1132. Pathophysiology for the Paramedic. (2 Credits)
This course includes the material from the Pathophysiology section of the National EMS Education Standards. It includes units on basic cellular functions, adaptation to disease and injury. Units on fluid and electrolytes, abnormal fluids states, electrolyte imbalance and acid-base imbalance are included. Additional units on the genetic and familial basis of disease, hypo perfusion, the immune response, inflammation and variances in immunity and inflammation are included. A unit on stress and its role in disease concludes the course. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Spring. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (2.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).

EMTP 1133. Paramedic Practicum III. (2 Credits)
This course is the third of three practicums designed to provide the student with the opportunity to perform a comprehensive history and physical examination to identify factors affecting the health and health needs of a patient. Formulate a field impression based on an analysis of comprehensive assessment findings, anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, and epidemiology. Relate assessment findings to underlying pathological and physiological changes in the patient’s condition. Integrate and synthesize the multiple determinants of health and clinical care. Perform health screening and referrals. Effectively communicate in a manner that is culturally sensitive and intended to improve the patient outcome. Students will also have the opportunity to perform basic and advanced interventions as part of a treatment plan intended to mitigate the emergency, provide symptom relief, and improve the overall health of the patient in the clinical setting. Students must successfully complete the pediatric ITLS course. Students will complete all clinical hours on a 911 ambulance under the supervision of a certified preceptor. Students must successfully complete 30 team lead calls, with no more than 10 calls at the BLS (basic life support) level and no less than 20 calls that require ALS (advanced life support) assessment and treatment. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Summer. Credits: 2.00 Credit Hours (0.00 Lecture - 9.00 Lab).

EMTP 1134. Special Populations. (3 Credits)
This course includes material from the Medical and Special Considerations Modules of the current National EMS Education Standard. It includes the following topics: anatomy and physiology of the female reproductive system, abdominal pain, vaginal bleeding, rape, and physiology of pregnancy, fetology, normal and abnormal labor and delivery, and post-partum complications. The ITLS approach to trauma in pregnancy is emphasized. In addition, determination of the APGAR scoring and care of the high-risk neonates is included. Pediatric assessment, developmental stages, family assessment and management, respiratory emergencies, child safety, trauma, dehydration, shock, infant and child BLS and ALS, neurologic emergencies, SIDS, child abuse, and care of children with special needs. Students must complete the Emergency Pediatric Care (EPC) course as well as the geriatric education for EMS (GEMS) course. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the EMS program. Corequisites: None. Offered: Fall. Credits: 3.00 Credit Hours (3.00 Lecture - 0.00 Lab).