EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS
Associate in Science Degree (A.S.)
Certificate of Achievement

DESCRIPTION
The Associate's Degree and Certificate of Achievement in Emergency Medical Services prepares the student for licensure as a Paramedic (EMT-P) and to care for the sick and injured at the scene of an emergency and/or during transport to a healthcare facility. Acceptance into the program requires successful completion of the application process, high school diploma or GED, approval by the EMS Faculty Coordinator and the EMS Medical Director, current EMT certificate with at least one (1) year experience, current American Heart Association BLS/CPR certification, and for the applicant to be at least 18 years of age prior to any clinical experience. Contact the Nursing and Allied Health Department for more specifics.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES
1. Students meet or exceed pass rates set for national licensing exam (National Registry).
2. Students meet or exceed pass rates set for national licensing skills exam (National Registry).
3. Students meet the minimal certification standards for ACLS, PALS, and BLS Instructor.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAMS
The Associate in Arts (AA) or the Associate in Science (AS) Degree involves satisfactory completion of a minimum of 60 semester units with a C average or higher, including grades of C in all courses required for the major, and fulfillment of all IVC district requirements for the associate's degree along with all general education requirements. The degree provides a sound basis for transfer to upper division institutions for additional degrees or for higher vocational preparation. To be eligible to receive an Associate Degree the student must complete the requirements for the major, the District requirements for an Associate Degree, and the General Education requirements. In addition students must maintain a minimum grade point average and meet the minimum grade requirements of their program. Detailed information is available in the college catalog.

The Certificate of Achievement program is designed for students with personal or occupational goals who wish early employment. To quality for the Certificate, a student must satisfy the following requirements: (1) complete all courses listed for a particular certificate; (2) achieve a “C” average (2.0 GPA) for all courses used to complete the certificate; and, (3) file a Certificate Application form with Admissions and Records by the appropriate deadline(s) identified on the application.

TRANSFER PREPARATION
Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree at Imperial Valley College may not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a bachelor's degree. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with an IVC Counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

Transfer Resources:
www.AASS1.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine
www.CSU Mentor.edu – CSU System Information
www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html – UC System Information
www.accue.edu – California Independent Colleges and Universities, Association of
http://wiche.edu/wue – Western Undergraduate Exchange Programs

FINANCIAL AID
Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that IVC offers a full array of financial aid programs – grants, work study, scholarships, and fee waivers (we do not participate in the federal loan programs). These programs are available to both full and part time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
The Emergency Medical Services Associate Degree and/or Certificate of Achievement prepares the student to apply for and qualify for licensure as a Paramedic (EMT-P) and to care for the sick and injured at the scene of an emergency and/or during transport to a healthcare facility.

- Paramedic
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ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MAJOR - A.S. DEGREE
Thirty-nine and one-half (39.5) units are required for this major.

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ALL COURSES FOR THIS MAJOR MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

I. Prerequisites for the major (10.5 units)
   - BIOL 090 Human Anatomy and Physiology for Health Professionals 3.0
   - EMT 105 Emergency Medical Technician I (or state certification) 7.5

II. Required courses for the major (39.5 units)
   - EMTP 200 Introduction to Advanced Prehospital Care - Paramedic 9.0
   - EMTP 202 Trauma Emergencies - Paramedic 3.5
   - EMTP 204 Medical Emergencies - Paramedic 6.0
   - EMTP 206 Emergency Medical Services Operations - Paramedic 5.5
   - EMTP 225 EMT- Paramedic Clinical 1 3.5
   - EMTP 235 EMT- Paramedic Field 1 6.5
   - EMTP 245 EMT- Paramedic Field 2 5.5

Total Major Units 39.5

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CERTIFICATE
Thirty-nine and one-half (39.5) units required for the certificate.

The certificate program prepares the student for licensure as a Paramedic (EMT-P) and to care for the sick and injured at the scene of an emergency and/or during transport to a healthcare facility. Acceptance into the program requires successful completion of the application process, high school diploma or GED, approval by the EMS Faculty Coordinator and the EMS Medical Director, current certification as an EMT certificate with at least one (1) year experience, current American Heart Association BLS/CPR certification, and for the applicant to be at least 18 years of age prior to any clinical experience. Contact the Nursing and Allied Health Department for more specifics.

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Total Certificate Units 39.5