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 qualify 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.

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 (EPT-P) and to care for the sick and injured at the scene of an emergency and/or during transport to a healthcare facility.

- Paramedic

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at IVC. Please click on our Programs of Study link to view the information for each certificate program: **http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/programs-of-study/**

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.ASSIST.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine

www.CSUMentor.edu – CSU System Information

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html - UC System Information

www.aiccu.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/**

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MAJOR - A.S. DEGREE
Forty-one and one-half (41.5) 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 (7.5 units)**			
	EMT	105	Emer. Medical Technician I (or state certification)	7.5
II.	**Required courses for the major (38.5 units)**			
	EMTP	200	EMT- Paramedic Didactic 1	9.0
	EMTP	210	EMT- Paramedic Didactic 2	9.0
	EMTP	215	EMT- Paramedic Didactic 3	5.0
	EMTP	225	EMT- Paramedic Clinical 1	3.5
	EMTP	235	EMT- Paramedic Field 1	6.5
	EMTP	245	EMT- Paramedic Field 2	5.5
III.	**Select one of the following acceptable courses for the major (3.0 units)**			**3.0**
	BUS/AG	132	Business Management (3.0)	
	BUS	136	Human Relations in Management (3.0)	

Total Major Units	41.5
IVC Graduation Requirements and GE Pattern:	27.0
Electives (as needed to reach 60 degree applicable units)	____
Total Maximum Units:	**68.5**

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CERTIFICATE
Thirty-eight and one-half (38.5) 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.

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

I.	**Prerequisites for the certificate (7.5 units)**			
	EMT	105	Emer. Medical Technician I (or state certification)	7.5
II.	**Required courses for the certificate (38.5 units)**			
	EMTP	200	EMT- Paramedic Didactic 1	9.0
	EMTP	210	EMT- Paramedic Didactic 2	9.0
	EMTP	215	EMT- Paramedic Didactic 3	5.0
	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 Certificate Units	38.5
Total Maximum Units:	**38.5**