ORANGE COUNTY EMT EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN PARAMEDIC



PROGRAM CATALOG

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Orange County EMT

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Mission Statement

To provide the highest level of Emergency Medical Training and Education to persons seeking Employment, Career Development, or Personal Development in the Pre-Hospital setting, by exceeding National Standards and staying at the forefront of EMS Education.

Vision Statement

Through Commitment, Dedication, and Perseverance, we will become a nationally recognized Emergency Medical Training Program that specializes in all EMS certifications at the State and National levels, while always maintaining excellence within our program.

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Accrediting Agencies

CAAHEP

Orange County EMT (OCEMT Corp) Emergency Medical Services-Paramedic is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Program (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of CoAEMSP.

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

25400 US Highway 19 North, Suite 158 Clearwater, FL 33763 (727) 210-2350 www.caahep.org

Council on Occupational Education (COE)

7840 Roswell Road, Building, Suite 325 Atlanta, Georgia 30350 Phone: (800) 396-3790

Website: www.council.org

Licensing Agencies

Bureau For Private Post-Secondary Education

Approval means the institution has been approved to operate and that approval means compliance with state standards as set forth in the *California Private Postsecondary Act of 2009*.

Bureau for Private Post Secondary Education

2535 Capital Oaks Drive, Suite 400 West Sacramento, CA 95798 Phone: (888) 370-7589 Website: www.bppe.ca.gov

State of California Continuing Education Provider

California Emergency Medical Services
Continuing Education Provider Number: 30-0111
10901 Gold Center Drive, Suite 400
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Phone: (916) 322-4336 Website: www.emsa.ca.gov/

County of Orange License to Operate

Orange County Emergency Medical Services 405 W. Fifth Street, Suite 301A Santa Ana, CA 92701 Phone: (714) 834-3500

Website: www.healthdisasteroc.org/ems/

County of Los Angeles License to Operate

Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services 10100 Pioneer Blvd, Suite 200 Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Phone: (562) 347-1500

Website: www.dhs.lacounty.gov

Affiliation Agreements

Anaheim Fire and Rescue	Orange County Fire Authority				
201 South Anaheim Blvd	1 Fire Authority Drive				
Anaheim, CA 92805	Irvine, CA 92602				
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Burbank Fire Department	Huntington Beach Fire Department				
311 East Orange Grove Ave	2000 Main Street				
Burbank, CA 91502	HB, CA 92648				
Cathedral City Fire Department	Newport Beach Fire Department				
68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero	100 Civic Center Drive				
Cathedral City, CA 92234	NB, CA 92660				
Corona Fire Department	Orange City Fire Department				
735 Public Safety Way	176 South Grand Street				
Corona, CA 92880	Orange, CA 92866				
Compton Fire Department	Downey Fire Department				
205 South Willowbrook Ave	11111 Brookshire Ave				
Compton, CA 90220	Downey, CA 90241				
Murrieta Fire Department	Torrance Fire Department				
41825 Juniper Street	3401 University Ave				
Murrieta, CA 92562	Riverside, CA 92501				
Riverside City Fire Department	Riverside County Fire Department				
3401 University Ave	16902 Bundy Ave				
Riverside, CA 92501	Riverside, CA 92518				
Triverside, OA 32301	INVERSIGE, CA 92010				
Pasadena Fire Department	Glendale Fire Department				
215 N Marengo Ave #195	421 Oak Street				
Pasadena, CA 91191	Glendale, CA 91204				
Monrovia Fire Department	Arcadia Fire Department				
415 S Ivy Avenue	240 West Huntington Drive				
Monrovia, CA 91016	Arcadia, CA 91006				
Oceanside Fire Department	Escondido Fire Department				
300 North Coast Highway	1163 Centre City Parkway				
Oceanside, CA 92054	Escondido, CA 92025				
California City Eiro Donartmant	Mayou Transportation Inc.				
California City Fire Department	Mercy Transportation Inc				
20890 Hacienda Blvd	27350 Valley Center Rd				
California City, CA 93505	Valley Center, CA 92082				
American Medical Response	Falck Corporation				
240 E. Hwy 246, Suite 300	1517 W Braden Ct				
Buellton, CA 93427	Orange, CA 92868				
Ducinon, OA 30721	Totalige, OA 32000				

Clinical Affiliation Agreements

University of California Irvine Medical Center	Orange County Global
101 The City Drive South	1001 North Tustin Ave
Orange, CA 92868	Santa Ana, CA 92705
Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC)	West Anaheim Medical Center
1201 West La Veta	3033 West Orange Avenue
Orange, CA 92868	Anaheim, CA 92804

Program Credits

Course Sequence	Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hr.	Lectu re Hr.	Lab Hr.	Clinical Hours	Field Exp.	Field Hr.
1	EMTP-1	Airway	1.5	80				
2	EMTP-1L	Airway Lab	0.5		26			
3	EMTP-2	Cardiac	1.5	64				
4	EMTP-2L	Cardiac Lab	0.5		26			
5	EMTP-3	Medical	1.5	48				
6	EMTP-3L	Medical Lab	0.5		20			
7	EMTP-4	Trauma	1.5	40				
8	EMTP-4L	Trauma Lab	0.5		26			
9	EMTP-5	OB/Pediatrics	1.5	56				
10	EMTP-5L	OB/Pediatric Lab	0.5		20			
11	EMTP-6	Operations	1.5	56				
12	EMTP-6L	Operations Lab	0.5		18			
13	EMTP-7L	Clinical Lab	0.25		16			
14	EMTP-7CI	Clinical Internship	2			168		
15	EMTP-8L	Field Internship Lab	0.25		16			
16	EMTP-8FI	Field Internships	6				24	576
17	EMTP-9	Licensure	0.5		16			
Total	17		21	344	184	168	24	576
Program Total: 1296								

Course Description

This comprehensive Paramedic Program meets the standards of Title 22, from the California Code of Regulations. The Program is full-time lasting 6 months in duration and consists of the following components: Didactic, Skills Labs, Clinical Internship, Field Experience, and Capstone Field Internship. Upon completion of the Program, a Course Completion Certificate is issued allowing students to apply for the National Registry Exam and then Licensure. Students who complete the National Registry Exam will have the ability to gain employment as a Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic, labor code: 29-2043

Minimum Course Expectations

"To prepare competent entry-level Paramedics in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains with or without exit points at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician and/or Emergency Medical Technician, and/or Emergency Medical Responder levels."

Certificate Program

The Paramedic Course offered by OCEMT is for certificate only. A course completion certificate shall be issued that meets the criteria of California EMS, Orange County EMS, National Registry of EMT, and is drawn from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Upon successful completion of our 1296 hour Paramedic course, students who achieve a minimum cut score on each unit exams, successfully

complete their hospital clinical and field internship will be eligible to take the National Registry Exam. <u>We do not offer licensure or a degree for this course.</u>

Required Course Documents

"As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review this catalog prior to signing an enrollment agreement. You are also encouraged to review the School Performance Fact Sheet, which must be provided to you prior to signing an enrollment agreement."

Course Progression and Contact Hours for Program Completion

Students will progress through the Program by completing each course in sequential order. The objectives and completion requirements are outlined in the syllabus for each Course listed below

Didactic Courses and Pharmacology: 344 Hours

- 1. Airway and Pharmacology
- 2. Cardiac and Pharmacology
- 3. Medical and Pharmacology
- 4. Trauma and Pharmacology
- 5. OB/Pediatrics and Pharmacology
- 6. Operations and Pharmacology
- 7. Final Examinations

Skills Lab Courses: 184 Hours

- 1. Airway Lab, Pharmacology, and Protocols
- 2. Cardiac Lab, Pharmacology, ECG, and Protocols
- 3. Medical Lab, Pharmacology, ECG, and Protocols
- 4. Trauma Lab, Pharmacology, ECG, and Protocols
- 5. Obstetrics/Pediatrics Lab, Pharmacology, ECG, and Protocols
- 6. Operations Lab, Pharmacology, ECG, and Protocols
- 7. Skills Lab Evaluations

Internships

- 1. Clinical Internship: 168 Hours
- 2. Field Experience: 24 Hours
- 3. Field Internship: 384 Hours
- 4. Capstone Internship: 192 Hours

Terminal Competencies

- 1. Summative Cognitive Exam
- 2. Summative Psychomotor Evaluation
- 3. Summative Affective Evaluation

Total Course Hours:

1296 Hours

Program Objectives

- 1. Describe the roles and responsibilities of paramedics in the health care system
- 2. Demonstrate the level of professionalism expected of paramedics
- 3. Perform the duties of a paramedic while ensuring the safety and wellness to yourself and others
- 4. Operate within the Scope of Practice and Standard of Care of a paramedic including medical, legal and ethical issues
- 5. Apply principles of anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, life-span development, and therapeutic communications to the assessment and management of patients
- 6. Identify the need to perform immediate lifesaving interventions to manage a patient's airway, breathing, and circulation
- 7. Assess and formulate treatment plans within the Paramedic Scope of Practice for patients of all ages, to include Medical and Traumatic Emergencies

8. Apply principles of emergency medical services operations, including considerations in ambulance and air medical transportation, multiple casualty incidents, gaining access to and extricating patients, hazardous materials incidents, and responding to WMD incidents.

Schedule of Total Charges

Tuition for the course is \$13,500.00, which covers the entire period of attendance and is equivalent to the entire program consisting of Courses 1-9. (All Courses listed in the Course Syllabus)

Application Fee	\$50.00
Enrollment Fee	\$250.00
Tuition Minus Enrollment Fee	\$13,250.00
AAOS Nancy Caroline's Emergency Care in the Streets 8th Edition 1 &2	\$634.00
Jones and Bartlett Learning Navigate Premier Digital Supplement	\$0
Fisdap Whole Shebang Update Package: Unit Exams, Skills Tracker	\$0
Live Scan Background	\$75-\$100
EMS Health Clearance	\$50.00
NREMT Cognitive Exam	\$300.00
NREMT Psychomotor Exam	\$225.00
State EMS License	\$110.00
County Application	\$75-100
Estimated Total Cost	\$14,320.00

Included with Tuition:

- 1. Controlled Notes
- 2. Uniform: button down shirt, Pants, & Job shirt
- 3. ICS 100 and 700
- 4. Clinical Internship
- 5. Field Internship
- 6. American Heart Association: Advanced Cardiac Life Support
- 7. Orange County EMS: Course Completion Certificate
- 8. Orange County EMS: Paramedic Accreditation
- 9. Riverside County EMS: Paramedic Accreditation

Financial Assistance

OCEMT does not offer financial aid, however several payment options are available. Contact the administration for more information.

Entrance Requirements

- 1. Student must be a minimum of 18 years old and possess a High School Diploma, GED, and or equivalent.
- 2. Applicant must possess a current State of California EMT Basic, or EMT Intermediate license issued by a State EMS Agency, or the California Fire Marshal's Office, or the NREMT.
- 3. Applicant must have a current BLS for Healthcare Provider card issued through the American

- Heart Association.
- 4. Applicant must have completed an Anatomy/Pathophysiology (Individual or Combined) or have taken a Paramedic Preparation course from an accredited institution that includes it.
- 5. Applicant must have a minimum of 1000 hours of part-time or full-time experience as an EMT prior to the application deadline. Verification must be in writing from a supervisor or Department Head, on official letterhead. Time may be served as a reserve and or Volunteer Firefighter and the Administration reserves the right to accept qualified candidates given sufficient work history in a related field.
- 6. Applicants must have all vaccinations listed prior to starting their clinical internship and provide proof of their completed HBV series & titer at the time of application.
- 7. Applicants must complete a background history prior to entering the program. This does not include the DOJ Live Scan.
- 8. Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from their current supervisor at their place of employment and one from an additional reference.
- 9. Applicants must submit the completed application with all supporting documents prior to moving on to the selection process.

Required Vaccinations

Students are required to purchase EMS Health Clearance to digitally store vaccination records on their personal phone, computer, or Ipad. Information to be given at orientation.

1. TB skin test (PPD)

- a) Must be current within the last 6 months and kept current while enrolled.
- b) Positive PPD, or history of TB requires a written chest x-ray clearance from MD within last 12 months.

2. MMR - (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)

- a) Must show proof of two MMR immunizations
- b) Positive titers for all three (MMR)
- c) If both TB Skin Test and MMR are needed, MMR must be administered with the second TB skin test

3. Varicella Series (VZV)

- a) Positive titer or immunization
- 4. Hepatitis B Series & Titer (Quantitative)
- a) No waivers or declinations will be accepted
- b) Must have proof of all three shots in the series and HBV titer results

5. TDP - (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis)

- a) A tetanus booster within the last year, or
- b) If you have not received a tetanus booster within the last ten years, you MUST get a TDaP (tetanus, diphtheria, & pertussis) vaccination.

6. Seasonal Influenza

- a) Must be current each year or sign a flu declination form
- b) You must have this prior to clinical rotations.

7. Covid

- a) Covid Vaccinations are not required to enroll in the course
- b) Proof of a Negative Covid Tests may be required throughout the course if the student has been sick, or if required by Clinical and Internship sites.

OCEMT does not require the Covid Vaccination for enrollment into its Paramedic Program, however our Clinical Sites do. This means that if you are not vaccinated you can enroll in the Program and successfully complete the Didactic and Skill Portions of the Course, but cannot be placed anywhere for the Clinical Internship. Since Clinical Internships are a Course Completion requirement as mandated through Title 22, of the California Health and Safety Code, students who do not attend a Clinical Internship, cannot complete the Program.

OCEMT is working on obtaining additional Affiliation Agreements with alternate Clinical Sites that do not require the Covid Vaccination, but do not currently have any. For these reasons, non-vaccinated students who move forward with the selection process need to know that there may be a significant delay in getting them placed for their Clinical Internship, or that they may not be able to be placed at all, resulting in the inability to complete the Program.

Selection Process

- 1. Complete Application: \$50.00 Fee
- 2. Schedule and take Fisdap Entrance Exam
- 3. Scheduled Interview with the Program Staff:
 - a) Questions to include: work experience, preparation, and EMT knowledge
 - b) Manipulative Skills Evaluation: Patient/Trauma Assessment and Random EMT Skills
 - c) Closing Statement
- 4. Students will be placed on an eligibility list based on their performance during the Selection Process
- 5. The Administration will evaluate each candidate and reserves the right to select the most qualified students based upon their experience and education. This applies to all candidates and those who have experience outside of EMS, to include US Naval corpsman, DOD, and US Army Combat Medics.

Highly Desirable Qualifications

- 1. Paramedic Preparatory Course from an Accredited Institution
- 2. EKG Course from an Accredited Institution (College, University, or Post-Secondary)
- 3. American Heart Association: Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
- 4. American Heart Association: Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)

Course Resources

National Curriculum

The content of this paramedic course meets the objectives contained in the U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards, DOT HS 811 077A AAOS Nancy Caroline's Emergency Care in the Streets 8th Edition, Volumes 1 & 2 is intended to serve as a foundational guide and reference to paramedicine. Developed to stay ahead of current trends and practices in paramedicine, all seven volumes are based on the National EMS Education Standards and the accompanying Paramedic Instructional Guideline

Textbook:

AAOS, Nancy Caroline's Emergency Care in the Streets, 8th edition, Volumes 1 & 2

Technical Resource Requirements

Students must have access to the following technical resources to enroll in the Program:

1. Laptop Computer

Students must ensure operating software is compatible with school resources:

- JBL Navigate
- Fisdap
- Proctor Free

2. Internet:

- Students will have internet access while at the school
- Students will need internet access while away from school

3. Printers:

- Students must have the ability to print course documents and study material

4. Watch, Phone, or Stop Watch

- Students must have the ability to keep track of time

Program Completion Requirements

The Paramedic Program is comprised of 17 individual courses that must be completed in sequence to complete the Program

1. Didactic Courses 1-6

- a) Complete all assigned chapter quizzes with an 80% or above
- b) Complete the JBL Comprehensive Exam with an 80% or above
- c) Complete each unit exam with a 75% or above
- d) Complete the EKG Midterm with a 75% or above
- e) Complete each Pharmacology Exam with a 75% or above

2. Final Exams

- a) Courses 1-6 must be successfully completed to take the Final Exam
- b) Students must complete the Final Exam with a 75% or above
- c) Students must complete the Pharmacology Exam with a 75% or above
- d) Students must complete the EKG Exam with a 75% or above

3. Skills Labs

- a) Final Exams must be successfully completed to progress to Skills Labs
- b) Pharmacology and local protocols will be evaluated during Skills Labs
- c) Students must Meet Expectations on all evaluated skills to progress to the Clinical Internship

4. Clinical Internships

- a) Students successfully completing the Skills Lab Courses will progress to Clinical Internships
- b) Students must attend all assigned shifts
- c) Students must achieve a Meets Expectations on their Final Evaluation to complete the course

5. Clinical Internship Postponement or Cancellation

- a) May occur due to Covid-19 or other unforeseen circumstances
- c) Students must achieve a Meets Expectations on their Skills Evaluation to complete the course

6. Field Internships

- a) Clinical Internships must be successfully completed to progress to the Field Internship
- b) Field Experience: Shift 0
- c) Field Internship: Shifts 1-16
- d) Capstone Internship: Shifts 17-24

7. Field Internship Postponement or Cancellation after Start of Internship

Possible postponement or cancellation due to Covid-19 or ang other unforeseen circumstances. OCEMT will follow policy as directed by CoAEMSP, OC Health, OCEMT Advisory Board and the OCEMT Medical Director.

8. Terminal Competencies

The Capstone Internship must be successfully completed to progress to the Summative Evaluations where all Terminal Competencies will be verified.

Students must complete the following summative examinations for successful course completion:

- 1. Written Examination: Must achieve a 75% or above
- 2. Must successfully complete a Medical and Trauma scenario with a Meets Expectations
- 3. Must achieve a Meets Expectations on the Summative Affective Domain Evaluation

9. Licensure

- a) Students successfully completing their Summative Examinations will receive a Course Completion Certificate and are eligible for Licensure
- b) Students must pass the NREMT cognitive and psychomotor exams to receive their NREMT License
- c) Students who receive their NREMT license can then apply for their State and County License after being employed by an EMS Provider

Learning Methods

The following learning methods have been utilized to best suit all student learning abilities

Didactic Courses

- Traditional Learning
- Classroom Setting
- Instructor Based Lecture
- Interactive Conversation

Online Resources

- Jones and Bartlett Learning: Quizzes, Practice Exams, Study Resources
- FISDAP: Online Practice Quizzes, Online Unit Exams

Skills Labs

- Instructor lead
- Peer Training
- Individual training
- High fidelity simulation training

Libraries and Other Learning Resources

For the purpose of instructional education for Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic the following resources will be included with the tuition of the course to assist student equipment and/or learning resources necessary to be successful for completion of our program.

Facility

There are two primary classrooms within the institution. One classroom is assigned to the EMT Program and the other is assigned to the Paramedic Program. The Paramedic Classroom also has five breakout room for skills training. Each classroom has the following technical infrastructure to support the media services:

- 1. (2) 70 inch smart televisions
- 2. Laptop Computer
- 3. Cox communication commercial WIFI and Router services
- 4. 2.0 and 5.0 mesh system WIFI services
- 5. Cable Services
- 6. Electrical outlets
- 7. Chromebook Computers
- 8. IPads
- 9. Lectern

Student Services

The following services are offered to students:

- 1. Academic Counseling
- 2. Employment Counseling
- 3. Student Orientation
- 4. Student Records

5. Student Grievance

6.Financial Assistance

Library Resources/Media Center

The following resources are found at the school library

- Study Guide: Emergency Care in the Streets 8th Edition Workbook
- American Heart Association BLS for Healthcare Provider Student Manual (CPR)
- American Heart Association ACLS Student Manual
- American Heart Association PALS Student Manual
- EKG Student Books
- Anatomy and Pathophysiology reference material

Websites and Other Resources

The following websites are commonly used to access more information regarding Paramedic Training

- National Registry EMT: www.nremt.org/
- California EMS Agency: <u>www.emsa.ca.gov</u>
- Pearson My Lab: www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com/northamerica/
- Orange County EMS Agency: www.ochealthinfo.com

Course Progression Requirements

1. Course Reading

Students are expected to read the assigned chapters prior to the start of class

2. Pharmacology

Students are expected to know the assigned pharmacology sheets prior to the start of class

3. E-Book Quizzes

These are completed at the end of each lesson and are found in the JBL Navigate software. Quizzes are not graded but must be completed with an 80% or above to take the Unit Exams. Multiple attempts are allowed on each quiz to achieve the minimum score.

4. JBL Comprehensive Exams

Students will take (1) Comprehensive Practice Exam through JBL prior to their Unit Exam

- a) Students must complete the exam with an 80% or above
- b) Multiple attempts are allowed to achieve the minimum score

5. Fisdap Practice Quizzes

Students must take the Fisdap Practice Quiz for the corresponding course prior to taking the Unit Exam.

6. Unit Exams

Students must successfully complete each Unit Exam with the minimum cut score. Students who do not achieve the minimum cut score will be allowed to retest on (2) exams given the following conditions:

- a) Student must achieve the minimum required score on the retest, or will be dropped from the Program
- b) Students successful on their second attempt will be placed on Academic Probation
- c) Students will be dropped from the Program after their 3rd substandard score
- d) There will be no retests on the Final Exams

7. Pharmacology Exams

Students must achieve a minimum score of 75% on each Pharmacology Exam taken with the corresponding Unit Exam. Students will be allowed to retest on (2) exams given the following conditions:

- a) Student must achieve the minimum required score on the retest, or will be dropped from the Program
- b) Students successful on their second attempt will be placed on Academic Probation
- c) Students will be dropped from the Program after their 3rd substandard score

d) There will be no retests on the Final Exams

Pharmacology by County

- a) Pharmacology will be taught to the National Standard
- b) Students will be required to understand all information on the OCEMT Pharmacology Sheets
- c) Students will be tested on the application of pharmacology, specific to the protocols of the county in which they work.

8. EKG Exams

- a) Student must complete the EKG Midterm with a 75% or above, taken with Trauma Unit Exam
- b) Students will be allowed (1) re-test on the EKG Midterm that must be passed with a 75%, or above.
- c) Students that do not achieve a 75% on the Re-Test will be dropped from the Program.

9. Final Exams

Final Exams will be graded as a percentage towards the student's overall score. Students must achieve the minimum cut scores listed below to progress in the course.

a) Cognitive Exam: 75%

b) Pharmacology: 75%

c) EKG: 75%

10. Skills Labs

- a) Students must successfully pass Skills Labs 1-6 upon completion of the Final Exam
- b) Students must achieve a meets- expectations on their Final Skills Examination
- c) Students who fail their first attempt will be placed on academic probation
- d) Students who fail their first attempt will be placed in Band 2 for Clinical/Internship Placement
- e) Students who fail their second attempt will be dropped from the Program

Bureau For Private Post-Secondary Education

Approval means theinstitution has been approved to operate and that approval means compliance with state standards asset forth in the *California Private Postsecondary Act of 2099*.

"Orange County EMT's Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic Program has been approved to operate by the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary. This is a privately owned and operated training program." "As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review this catalog prior to signing an enrollment agreement. You are also encouraged to review the school's performance fact sheet, which must be provided to you prior signing an enrollment agreement.

Program Policies and Procedures

Articulation Agreement

Orange County EMT has an Articulation Agreement with Columbia Southern University. Students who complete the Paramedic Program through OCEMT and enroll in Columbia Southern University will receive 30 lower level semester hours in CSU's degree programs.

Note: Paramedic credit will be considered for transfer to Paramedic Core category in the Associate of Science in Emergency Medical Services degree program with an an active state or NREMT Paramedic License.

Columbia Southern University

21982 University Drive

Orangewood, Alabama 36561 Admissions: (800) 977- 8449

Website: www.columbiasouthern.edu

Policy on Transfer of Hours/Units

The transferability of credits you earn at Orange County EMT is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the Course Completion Certificate you earn thru OCEMT is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the Course Completion Certificate(s) that you earn at this institution is/are not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all of your course work at the institution. For this reason, you should make certain that your attendance at this institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending Orange County EMT's Paramedic Program to determine if your Course Completion Certificate will transfer.

Course Language

All students enrolling must speak English proficiently enough to have graduated from High School or to have achieved a GED. There will be no English services provided to those students who are not fluent in English; this course is instructed in ENGLISH ONLY.

Title IV

It should be noted that Orange County EMT does not participate in Federal or State Financial Aid Programs.

Credit by Exam

OCEMT does not offer credit by exam

Advanced Placement Services

At this time, we do not offer Job Placement Services to candidates that have passed this program successfully. Orange County EMT has established well-respected professional relationships with many employers throughout Orange County. It is our desire to eventually become a recruiting platform for employment within these organizations.

Housing

Orange County EMT does not offer housing and does not have dormitory facilities. The average monthly rent for an apartment in the area is \$2,000.00 and. \$3,200.00 for a residential home.

Visa

Orange County EMT does not admit students from other countries. It is not the responsibility of OCEMT to check the immigration status of our prospective students. A Department of Justice Background check will be performed for the EMT wishing to become licensed in Orange County in the near future. All instruction and audio/visual aids will be delivered in the English Language.

Experiential Credit

Orange County EMT does not award credit earned from another training institution and/or college or university. The Paramedic Program is an intense, challenging course that includes protocols that are specific to Orange County. Any previous education in Health Science or Emergency Medicine will be beneficial to the student, however will not count as credit earned for this course.

Financial Aid

Orange County EMT does not provide financial aid programs in any way. All costs that are associated with enrollment into our program shall be between the student and their financial institution. OCEMT does offer installment plans for approved students.

Loans

Any student obtaining a loan to pay for an educational program, the student will have the responsibility to repay the full amount of the loan plus interest, less the amount of any refund, and that, if the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of the money's not paid from federal student financial aid program funds.

Bankruptcy

OCEMT Corp. is financially solvent and has not filed for bankruptcy, is not operating as a debtor in possession, filed a petition within the preceding five years, or has had a petitions in bankruptcy filed against it within the preceding five years that resulted in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. Sec. 1101 et seq.)

Distance Education

Orange County EMT does not provide distance education.

American Disability Act

OCEMT will follow the policies of the ADA as defined through "The NREMTs Americans with Disabilities Accommodations Policy for Educators and Students."

- a) For More information: www.nremt.org under general policies, ADA policy
- b) Request the ADA brochure through the Program Administrator

Student Probation Policy

Any student who receives an exam score less than the minimum cut score will be placed on academic probation for the duration of the course. Academic Probation consists of a signed document signed by both OCEMT and the student, which states the student has achieved an exam score below the minimum standard and is at risk of failing the course.

Student Attendance Policy

Students shall attend all course hours unless arrangements have previously been made through the Administration. In these cases, a maximum of 3 class sessions will be excused before a student is dropped from the course at the discretion of OCEMT.

Leave of Absence Policy

Any student who is absent for more than 3 class sessions without consent from OCEMT will be dropped from the class, or will be placed on a Leave of Absence. If placed on a Leave of Absence the student will have the option to enroll in the next course.

Student Withdraw Procedure

Any student dropping the course must do so in writing by completing a Course Withdrawal form. The form can be accessed on our website under "Student Access" or by requesting one through the Administrative Secretary.

Attendance

Attendance will be taken at the beginning and at the end of every class. If you are to miss a class you must email the lead instructor.

Tardiness

- 1. Students are allowed to be late to class (1) time without penalty
- 2. The 2nd tardiness will result in the student being marked absent
- 3. The 3rd tardiness will result in the student being dropped from the class

Uniform Policy

- 1. Instructors will enforce the uniform policy
- 2. Students will wear uniforms daily
- 3. Instructors will document violations on the attendance sheet & instructor notes
- 4. Students with (2) violations will lose their ambulance ride along
- 5. Students with (3) violations will lose their clinical observations causing them to fail the class

Dismissal Policy

Failure to abide by all local and federal laws will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the program. Furthermore, all Rules of conduct found under "Program Code of Conduct" shall be followed with strict

adherence. Any student found cheating, under the influence of any intoxicant, displaying violent or threatening behavior, will be dropped from the course. Any student dropped from the course for the reasons above will be refunded according to the refund policy. Failure to meet objectives stated in course achievement criteria will result in dismissal from this program. Also, any unlawful, unethical, or act seen as dishonest outside the guidelines set forth by the State of California EMS Authority or Orange County EMS may result in program expulsion.

Non- Discrimination Enrollment Procedure

OCEMT will not discriminate against enrolling a student from any gender, race, ethnicity, age, or disability. ALL students must meet the entrance requirements and are evaluated equally through the selection process.

Non- Discrimination Policy for Faculty

OCEMT will not discriminate against any faculty, employee, or prospective employee, based on gender, race, ethnicity, age, or disability. Faculty will be hired in accordance to the requirements listed in Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 4 of the California Code of Regulations.

Student Substitution for Staff

At no time will a student be substituted for staff during the Clinical Internship, Field Experience Internship, or Capstone Field Internship.

Medical Insurance

Students are responsible for their own Medical Insurance to cover any health-related issues during the Didactic, Clinical, and Field Internship sections of the course, including any exposures that require medical attention during the Program.

Complaint Procedure

"A student or any member of the public may file a complaint about this institution with Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education by calling (888) 370-7589, or by completing a complaint form, which can be obtained on the Bureau's Internet Web site.

Uniform and Grooming Policy

- 1. All students must maintain personal hygiene through all portions of the course
- 2. No earrings or piercings of any kind may be visible on male students
- 3. No facial hair other than a moustache is acceptable- Cannot extend below the bottom lip
- 4. Tattoos must be covered by long sleeves, pants or collared shirts.
- 5. OCEMT Uniform must be worn at ALL times unless otherwise advised by the Administration
 - a) Embroidered button down shirt
 - b) Pants
 - c) Black Belt
 - d) Black Steel Toed Boots or Shoes

Code of Ethics

- 1. The Emergency Medical Technician provides services based on human need, with respect for human dignity, unrestricted by consideration of nationality, race creed, color, or status.
- 2. The Emergency Medical Technician does not use professional knowledge and skills in any enterprise detrimental to the public wellbeing.
- 3. The Emergency Medical Technician respects and holds in confidence all information of a confidential nature obtained in the course of professional work unless required by law to divulge such information.
- 4. The Emergency Medical Technician shall maintain professionalism and demonstrate concern for the competence of other members of the Emergency Medical Services health care team.
- 5. An Emergency Medical Technician assumes responsibility in defining and upholding standards of professional practice and education.
- 6. The Emergency Medical Technician assumes responsibility for individual and professional actions and judgment in both dependent and independent emergency functions and knows and upholds the laws, which affect the practice of the Emergency Medical Technician.

- 7. An Emergency Medical Technician has the responsibility to be aware of and participate in matters of legislation affecting the Emergency Medical Service System.
- 8. The Emergency Medical Technician, or groups of Emergency Medical Technicians, who advertise professional service, do so in conformity with the dignity of the profession.
- The Emergency Medical Technician has an obligation to protect the public by not delegating to a
 person less qualified, any service that requires the professional competence of an Emergency
 Medical Technician
- 10. The Emergency Medical Technician will work harmoniously with and sustain confidence in Emergency Medical Technician associates, the nurses, the physicians, and other members of the Emergency Medical Services health care team.
- 11. The Emergency Medical Technician refuses to participate in unethical procedures and assumes the responsibility to expose incompetence or unethical conduct of others to the appropriate authority in a proper and professional manner.

Licensing Requirements

Before a graduate can obtain entry-level employment as a licensed paramedic, the graduate must complete the National Registry Certification Exam and the National Registry Practical Skills with a passing score. The NREMT Exam is offered at eight (8) Pearson Vue Educational Centers located throughout the State of California. The National Registry Practical Skills exam is offered at various colleges throughout California and can be found on the NREMT Website. After successfully completing the exams, graduates can obtain a State Paramedic license through the CA State EMSA office. Once received, candidates can apply for jobs as an Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic.

Affective Domain

Affect measures the student's attitudes, behaviors, and professional attributes, as well as Classroom and Field conduct. Students will be evaluated in these domains upon completion of each Didactic Course and with each Major Evaluation during the Clinical Internship, Field Experience, and Capstone Field Internship. Students must consistently demonstrate these attributes to successfully

1. Integrity

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Consistent honesty; being able to be trusted with the property of others; can be trusted with confidential information; complete and accurate documentation of patient care and learning activities.

2. Empathy

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Showing compassion for others; responding appropriately to the emotional response of patients and family members; demonstrating respect for others demonstrating a calm, compassionate, and helpful demeanor toward those in need; being supportive and reassuring to others.

3. Self- Motivation

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Taking initiative to complete assignments; taking initiative to improve and/or correct behavior; taking on and following through on tasks without constant supervision; showing enthusiasm for learning and improvement; consistently striving for excellence in all aspects of patient care and professional activities; accepting constructive feedback in a positive manner; taking advantage of learning opportunities

4. Appearance and Personal Hygiene

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Clothing and uniform is appropriate, neat, clean and well maintained; good personal hygiene and grooming.

5. Self- Confidence

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Demonstrating the ability to trust

personal judgment; demonstrating an awareness of strengths and limitations; exercises good personal judgment.

6. Communications

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Speaking clearly; writing legibly; listening actively; adjusting communication strategies to various situations

7. Time Management

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Consistent punctuality; completing tasks, assignments on time, being to class on time, not leaving class early, no excessive absences.

8. Teamwork and Diplomacy

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Placing the success of the team above self interest; not undermining the team; helping and supporting other team members; showing respect for all team members; remaining flexible and open to change; communicating with others to resolve problems.

9. Respect

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Being polite to others; not using derogatory or demeaning terms; behaving in a manner that brings credit to the profession.

10. Patient Advocacy

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Not allowing personal bias to or feelings to interfere with patient care; placing the needs of patients above self interest; protecting and respecting patient confidentiality and dignity.

11. Careful Delivery of Service

Examples of professional behavior include, but are not limited to: Mastering and refreshing skills; performing complete equipment checks; demonstrating careful and safe ambulance operations; following policies, procedures, and protocols; following orders.

Scoring Criteria

The affective domain is measured through 11 attributes that are worth up to 2 points each for every domain that the student displays. Students must receive a score of 22 or meet expectations for all 11 attributes on their final evaluation to pass the course.

Students who are grossly negligent in one of the domains can be dropped from the program after the first evaluation

Scoring	Competency	Description
0	Does Not Meet Unsuccessful: Failed Attribute Expectations	
1	Below Expectations	Marginal: Inconsistent with Attribute
2	Meets Expectations	Successful: Consistent with Attribute

Student Evaluations:

- a) There is one evaluation for each Didactic Course
- b) There is one evaluation for each Skills Lab Course
- c) There are (3) evaluations for the Clinical Internship: 56 Hours, 112 Hours, 168 Hours
- d) There are (3) evaluations for the Field Internship: Shifts 8/16/24

Refund Policy

Orange County EMT has established a fair and equitable refund policy for the refund of tuition, fees, and

other institutional charges in the event a course is cancelled, a student does not enter the course in which they enrolled, or does not complete the period of enrollment for which the student has been charged.

Procedure

- 1. Notify Administration of your intention to drop Course through email, writing, phone, or in person
- 2. Administration will confirm your request to drop has been received.
- 3. The date of confirmation will start the Refund period.
- 4. Refund amounts will be issued per the Criteria listed below
- 5. Refunds will be issued through PayPal or by check to the address listed at the time of enrollment
- 6. Refunds, when due, must be made without requiring a request from the student
- 7. Refunds, when due, shall be made within 45 days of the last day of attendance if (a) written notification of withdrawal has been provided to OCEMT by the student, or (b) from the date OCEMT terminates the student from the course, or (c) OCEMT determines withdrawal by the student.
- 8. Retention of tuition and fees collected in advance for a student who does not commence class shall not exceed \$100.

Refunds for Classes Canceled by Orange County EMT

If tuition and fees are collected in advance of the start date of a program and the institution cancels the class, 100% of the tuition and fees collected must be refunded. The refund shall be made within 45 days of the planned start date.

Mandatory Cancellation, Withdraw, and Refund Policies

An institution that does not participate in the federal student financial aid programs shall do all of the following:

- (a) The institution shall advise each student that a notice of cancellation shall be in writing, and that a withdrawal may be effectuated by the student's written notice or by the student's conduct, including, but not necessarily limited to, a student's lack of attendance.
- (b) The bureau may adopt by regulation a different method of calculation for instruction delivered by other means, including, but not necessarily limited to, distance education.
- (c) The institution shall have a refund policy for the return of unearned institutional charges if the student cancels an enrollment agreement or withdraws during a period of attendance. The refund policy for students who have completed 60 percent or less of the period of attendance shall be a pro rata refund.
- (d) The institution shall pay or credit refunds within 45 days of a student's cancellation or withdrawal.

Refunds for Students Enrolled Prior to Visiting the Institution:

Students who have not visited the school facility prior to enrollment will have the opportunity to withdraw without penalty within three days following either attendance at a regularly scheduled orientation or following a tour of the facilities and inspection of the equipment.

Refund Period

The refund period begins the first day of Course One and Skills Lab One and ends the last day of Course Four and Skills Lab Four.

Refund Policy

The refund policy for students who have completed 60 percent or less of the Didactic Attendance Period shall be a pro-rata refund. The refund policy applies to both the Didactic and Skills Lab Courses that run concurrently.

The following guidelines apply to all refunds

- 1. No refunds are issued for the course in which the student exits the Program
- 2. Pro-Rated refunds are issued for courses not attended by the student that follow the course in which the student exits the Program.

Example: A student exiting the Program during Course One, will have a pro-rated refund for Courses Two, Three, and Four

Students who exit the Program after attending orientation will have the following Program Expenses deducted from their refund

3. Refunds will not be provided to students who exit the Program after Course Four

Refunds After Course Commences

Exit Point	Course/Lab Name	Percent Refunded	Amount Refunded
Course One	Airway	90%	\$11,250.00
Course Two	Cardiac	80%	\$10,000.00
Course Three	Medical	70%	\$8,750.00
Course Four	Trauma	60%	\$\$7,500.00
Course Five	OB/Pediatrics	No refunds issued	0
Course Six	Operations	No refunds issued	0
Final Examinations	Final Examinations	No refunds issued	0

Student Health and Safety

See the Health and Safety Plan found in the student access section of the program website at www.ocemt.edu or request a copy from the Administrative Secretary

Student Grievance Procedure

If you feel that your rights have been violated follow the procedure below:

- 1. Informal Process- Notify instructor and or Administrative Faculty *If Unresolved, File a formal complaint*
- 2. Formal Process- Send a written complaint to the Chief Administrative Officer *If Unresolved, Formal Process continues*
- 3. Investigation: OCEMT will investigate the grievance & will respond within 2 weeks of filing *If Unresolved, file an appeal within 5 days of decision*
- 4. Send a written appeal to OCEMT Board of Trustees through the Program Director: A decision will be given to the student within 30 days of receiving the written complaint Unresolved, send a written complaint to the BPPE or COE

Council on Occupational Education

7840 Roswell Road Building 300, Suite 325 Atlanta, GA 30350 Phone: (800) 917-2081 Website: council.org

"Any questions a student may have regarding this course catalog that have not been satisfactorily answered by the Institution may be directed to the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education at 1747 N. Market Blvd, Ste 225, Sacramento, CA 95834, www.bppe.ca.gov, (888) 370-7589 or by fax (916) 263-1897."

Required Student Records

- 1. Orange County EMT shall maintain records of the name, address, e-mail address, and telephone number of each student who is enrolled in an educational program within this institution.
- 2. Orange County EMT shall maintain, for each student granted a degree or certificate by this institution, permanent records of all of the following:
- a) The EMT-P course completion certificate granted and the date on which that degree or certificate was granted.
- b) The courses and units on which the certificate or degree was based.
- c) The grades earned by the student in each of those courses.
- 3. Orange County EMT shall maintain, for a period of not less than five years, at its principal place of business in this state, complete and accurate records of all of the following information:
- a) The educational programs offered by this institution and the curriculum for each.
- b) The names and addresses of the members of this institution's faculty and records of the educational qualifications of each member of the faculty.
- c) Any other records required to be maintained by this chapter, including, but not limited to, records maintained pursuant to Article 16

Student Tuition Recovery Fund Disclosures

"The State of California established the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic loss suffered by a student in an educational program at a qualifying institution, who is or was a California resident while enrolled, or was enrolled in a residency program, if the student enrolled in the institution, prepaid tuition, and suffered an economic loss. Unless relieved of the obligation to do so, you must pay the state-imposed assessment for the STRF, or it must be paid on your behalf, if you are a student in an educational program, who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency program, and prepay all or part of your tuition.

You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment, if you are not a California resident, or are not enrolled in a residency program."

(b) In addition to the statement required under subdivision (a) of this section, a qualifying institution shall include the following statement in its school catalog:

"It is important that you keep copies of your enrollment agreement, financial aid documents, receipts, or any other information that documents the amount paid to the school. Questions regarding the STRF may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95833, (916) 431-6959 or (888) 370-7589.

To be eligible for STRF, you must be a California resident or are enrolled in a residency program, prepaid tuition, paid or deemed to have paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

- 1. The institution, a location of the institution, or an educational program offered by the institution was closed or discontinued, and you did not choose to participate in a teach-out plan approved by the Bureau or did not complete a chosen teach-out plan approved by the Bureau.
- 2. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution within the 120 day period before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, or were enrolled in an educational program within the 120 day period before the program was discontinued.
- 3. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution more than 120 days before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, in an educational program offered by the institution as to which the Bureau determined there was a significant decline in the quality or value of the program more than 120 days before closure.
- 4. The institution has been ordered to pay a refund by the Bureau but has failed to do so.
- 5. The institution has failed to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federal student loan program as required by law, or has failed to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the institution in excess of tuition and other costs.
- 6. You have been awarded restitution, a refund, or other monetary award by an arbitrator or court, based on a violation of this chapter by an institution or representative of an institution, but have been unable to collect the award from the institution.
- 7. You sought legal counsel that resulted in the cancellation of one or more of your student loans and have an invoice for services rendered and evidence of the cancellation of the student loan or loans. To qualify for STRF reimbursement, the application must be received within four (4) years from the date of the action or event that made the student eligible for recovery from STRF.

A student whose loan is revived by a loan holder or debt collector after a period of non collection may, at any time, file a written application for recovery from STRF for the debt that would have otherwise been eligible for recovery. If it has been more than four (4) years since the action or event that made the student eligible, the student must have filed a written application for recovery within the original four (4) year period, unless the period has been extended by another act of law.

However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number."

Note: Authority cited: Sections 94803, 94877 and 94923, Education Code. Reference: Section 94923, 94924 and 94925, Education Code.

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Course Content

Course One: Airway Course ID: EMTP-1

Hours: 80

Skills Lab: Airway Course ID: EMTP-1L

Hours: 26

Course Two: Cardiac Course ID: EMTP-2

Hours: 64

Skills Lab: Cardiac Course ID: EMTP-2L

Hours: 26

Course Three: Medical Course ID: EMTP-3

Hours: 48

Skills Lab: Medical Course ID: EMTP-3L

Hours: 20

Course Four: Trauma Course ID: EMTP-4

Hours: 40

Skills Lab: Trauma

Course ID: EMTP-4L

Hours: 26

Course Five: OB/Pediatrics

Course ID: EMTP-5

Hours: 56

Skills Lab: OB/Pediatrics Course ID: EMTP-5L

Hours: 20

Course Six: Operations Course ID: EMTP-6

Hours: 40

Skills Lab: Operations Course ID: EMTP-6L

Hours: 18

Course Seven: Clinical Internship

Section 1: Clinical Skills Lab

Course ID: EMTP-7L

Hours: 16

Section 2: Clinical Internship

Course ID: EMTP-7C

Hours: 164

Course Eight: Field Internship

Section 1: Field Internship Skills Lab

Course ID: EMTP-8L

Hours: 16

Section 2: Field Experience Course ID: EMTP- 8FI

Hours: 24

Section Three: Field Internship

Course ID: EMTP-8FI

Hours: 384

Section Four: Capstone Internship

Course ID: EMTP-8FI

Hours: 192

Course Nine: Terminal Competencies/Licensure

Course ID: EMTP-9 Skills Lab: 16 Hours

1. Summative Exam: 73% or above

2. Psychomotor Exam: Must receive a Meets Expectations to pass

3. Affective Evaluation: Must receive a Meets Expectations to pass