ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN PARAMEDICINE (AS)

The Paramedic program is designed to prepare the student for licensure as a Paramedic. It is an intense, full-time program consisting of lectures, skills lab, clinical practice, and field internship. Students must possess a current CPR-Healthcare Provider Card and are also recommended to have a current EMT license and six-months of recent work experience.

Paramedic Program Admission Requirements

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
- 2.5 or higher GPA on combined paramedic prerequisites:
  - EMT 251 Emergency Medical Technician B - 6 semester units including a lab component;
  - EMT 401 EMT Open Skills Lab - 4 semester units including a lab component.
- A minimum grade of “C” in all prerequisite courses is required. Be advised that a “C” in all prerequisites courses does not meet the 2.5 minimum GPA requirements. Students are ranked for admission based on grades in Human Anatomy and Human Physiology.
- No more than two repetitions of any EMT course is allowed. "W" counts as a repeat.
- Current NREMT or Local EMS Authority EMT Certification
- Current American Heart Association (AHA) BLS Healthcare Provider CPR Card.
- Completion of Paramedic Program Application submitted by deadline
- Completion of the Paramedic Program written entrance exam by the application deadline
- Strongly recommend six months of full-time verified work experience as an EMT on an emergency response vehicle, such as a fire engine or private ambulance

Program Outcomes

- Demonstrate entry-level skills for a variety of roles at the entry-level as a Paramedic.
- Demonstrate sufficient preparation to pass the NREMT-P.
- Apply skills in didactic, psycho-motor, and affective domains needed to perform the duties as a Paramedic in the community.
- Complete the Paramedic National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Advanced Level Paramedic Exam preparation.
- Demonstrate competent intellectual, hands-on, and professional skills to provide Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic level services.
- Adhere to professional behaviors set by the Paramedic Program Code of Ethics.
- Demonstrate patient safety at all times.
- Achieve a successful transition to employment as a Paramedic.

Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of this degree, students will be prepared for careers or employment in the following positions: Emergency Medical Services Paramedic, emergency room technicians, medical offices, fire departments, entertainment, and large venue services.

Note

This degree is not designed for transfer; however, the courses included in this degree may be transferable and apply to other degrees designed for transfer.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
GENERAL EDUCATION AND SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS		25
College of the Sequoias Associate Degree General Education (COS-GE)		
+		
PREREQUISITES COURSES		6
EMT 251	Emergency Medical Technician B	6
+		
REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES		37
PM 201	Paramedic Theory	16
PM 202	Paramedic Clinical Experience	4
PM 203	Paramedic Field Internship	10
PM 230	Paramedic Preparation	7
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TOTAL		68

The Associate Degree requirements include completion of the:

1. Required Major and Restricted Elective courses with a minimum grade of "C" or better for each course (Required Major and Restricted Elective courses may be substituted with the approval of the Division Chair),
2. General Education requirements, and
3. A minimum of 60 units of degree-applicable courses numbered 001-299. At least 12 units must be taken in residence at College of the Sequoias, with a "C" (2.0) average (see Associate Degree Requirements (https://catalog.cos.edu/associate-degree-requirements/) for additional details).