



Basic Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

EMT (formerly EMT-Basic) is a 184-hour, DOT-approved program, combining lecture, hands-on skills lab, and clinical observation components. After successful completion, the student is eligible to take the National Registry EMT certification exam, which is also held on the NVCC campus. Students will seek Virginia (or other state reciprocity after gaining National Registry certification). EMT is the entry-level provider within the Emergency Medical Services profession.



Multiple sections of each course are offered, both in morning and evening sessions. Classes are twice a week, for 16 weeks. Students should register for:

- EMS 111, both lecture and lab sessions (7 credits)
- EMS 120, 2nd 8-week session (1 credit)

Students will need to purchase a stethoscope and clinical uniform shirt, prior to beginning EMS 120. Further information will be given during EMS 120 orientation session.



Prerequisites: Prior to beginning coursework,

- students must be proficient in reading, writing, and speaking the English language.
- students must attend one of the EMS program information sessions, either online, or in-person. Call 703.822.6639 or 703.822.6560 for information session dates/times.
- students must be 16 or older, in good physical and mental health. 16 and 17- year-old students will need parental permission to start the program, and may need to complete the dual-enrollment process, prior to enrolling in NVCC college courses. Please contact NVCC Student Services for further registration information.
- students must possess and maintain current AHA CPR certification – Healthcare Provider. AHA CPR is offered by the NVCC Continuing Education program (703.822.6523) and many other sites in the region.
- students must possess a national criminal background check, including drug screen. Go to www.certifiedbackground.com, put in code OR21. Bring receipt to campus, to EMS Admin Asst, or EMS faculty for drug screen form. Both original background check and drug screen verification must be turned at first day of class.
- health history and physical, including appropriate immunizations, on the NVCC form.



*This certification program is offered Fall, Spring and Summer semesters, at the state-of-the-art Medical Education Campus, 6699 Springfield Center Dr., Springfield, VA.



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