

## St. Cloud Technical & Community College Paramedicine Program - Information Packet

### **Welcome!**

Health programs have specific requirements for students to complete.

This material is to help guide you through the process from beginning to graduating from your intended health major. Staff and faculty are here to assist with your educational journey and look forward to seeing you on campus!

### **Paramedicine Program Description**

The Paramedicine Program is a full-time program that begins each fall semester.

The Paramedicine program is 4 semesters:

- Fall semester 1
- Spring semester 2
- Summer semester 3
- Fall semester 4

The Paramedicine program welcomes 20 students each fall semester.

The students must earn the MN EMSRB Certification prior to acceptance to the program. SCTCC offers courses to prepare for this certification.

Paramedics are faced with initiating care to acutely ill and injured patients in limited conditions. Lifesaving procedures and decisions are determined in an instant. Graduates of the paramedicine program receive a high level of training to provide advanced care through medications and invasive procedures in the pre-hospital and hospital environment.

### **Paramedicine Careers**

Career choices include Paramedic, Emergency Department Technician, and Flight Paramedic.

Potential employers include ambulance services, hospitals and urgency rooms, flight services (helicopter and airplane) event coverage industry and city health agencies, fire departments and law enforcement agencies. Paramedics also can incorporate their training in career fields like park services and ski patrol.

- The three-year placement rate for the Paramedicine program is 100%.
- The average Central MN annual salary range is \$40k to 54k.

### **Prospective/Returning Student - Application Process**

- Your first step is to apply to SCTCC as a Pre-Paramedicine student at <https://sctcc.edu/apply>
- Follow instructions received by Admissions and Records & Registration offices.
- Meet with an advisor to begin the *Current SCTCC Student* process.

### **Current SCTCC Student / Advisor Meetings - Academic Advising Center**

- Current SCTCC students are required to meet with an advisor at least once a semester to receive a registration access code and review their academic plan.
- We encourage students to visit more often with any questions or concerns they may have.
- We are here to align you with resources that are available and help guide you through your educational journey at SCTCC!

**Paramedicine Program Requirements**

**Students must earn MN EMSRB Certification prior to acceptance to the Paramedicine program.**

- Email [paramedicine@sctcc.edu](mailto:paramedicine@sctcc.edu) the following information:
  - Provide MN EMSRB certification card or number.
  - Include your name and SCTCC Student ID or Star ID.
- Once verified, student will be notified of acceptance to the Paramedicine program.
- 20 students accepted to the Paramedicine program each fall semester.
- There is **NOT** a 2<sup>nd</sup> application to the Paramedicine program, follow the email instructions.

**To Prepare for Certification\***

**\*\*EMSC 1450 : EMT – 1**

**Credits**

**6 Credits**

**Semester**

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**\*\*EMSC 1455: EMT – 2**

**3 Credits**

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\*Courses offered at SCTCC

\*\*EMT-1 & 2 courses, MUST take in same semester

**General Education Course (can be taken before OR during program acceptance)**

**MNTC Goal Areas**

**19 Credits**

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- Must take courses from at least **3 separate** goal areas
- See advisor for full course list

**Paramedicine FAQs**

- The Paramedicine Program is a full-time program that begins each fall semester:
  - Fall, Spring, Summer, Fall (4 semesters) 20 students are accepted each fall semester.
- Our graduates put their skills to work for private ambulance companies, hospitals, emergency flight services (both helicopter and airplane), industry and city health agencies, fire departments and law enforcement agencies.
- Paramedics also can incorporate their training in other career fields like park services and ski patrol.
- To learn more about the Paramedicine program, please email: Lowell (Allen) Smith at [LSmith@sctcc.edu](mailto:LSmith@sctcc.edu)

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Program Director, Lowell (Allen) Smith

[LSmith@sctcc.edu](mailto:LSmith@sctcc.edu)

**The Paramedicine A.A.S. program is a 60-credit degree**

*Length of Program Once Admitted: 5 semesters*

*Start: Fall Semester/August*

Program courses (once accepted)	41 credits
General education credits (minimum)	19 credits
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60 credits</b>

**Paramedicine Program Course (once accepted)**

**Fall - Semester I**

EMSP 1450 Introduction to Paramedicine Practice	3 credit
EMSP 1452 Patient Assessment & Airway Management	4 credit
EMSP 1454 Trauma Management	4 credit
EMSP 1456 Clinical Experience I	3 credit
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14 credits</b>

**Spring - Semester II**

EMSP 1458 Emergency Pharmacology for Paramedics	3 credit
EMSP 1460 Medical Emergencies	4 credit
EMSP 1462 Cardiology	4 credit
EMSP 1464 Clinical Experience II	2 credit
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13 credits</b>

**Summer – Semester III**

EMSP 2450 Special Populations	3 credit
EMSP 2452 EMS Operations	3 credit
EMSP 2454 Clinical Experience III	3 credit
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9 credits</b>

**Fall – Semester IV**

EMSP 2456 Paramedic Psychomotor Synthesis Lab	2 credit
EMSP 2458 Paramedic Capstone Internship	3 credit
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5 credits</b>

General Education courses

<u>MUST include 3 different MNTC goal areas (goal area 1 through 10)</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19 credits</b>

General Education courses can be taken before, during or after completion of Paramedicine program courses.

**Estimated Cost of Program**

- Tuition & Fees (60 credits) \$13,747
- Books, Supplies, Materials \$1,670 = \$15,417.
  - Please visit <http://www.sctcc.edu/financial-aid> for tuition and fees rate, cost of credits and programs.
  - Information on the financial aid process and scholarships is also available.

**Licensing Exam**

Graduates of the Paramedicine program will receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree and are Eligible to take the National Registry exam for paramedics upon completion.

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### **Students admitted to the Paramedicine program**

Students will be notified of the date and time for the mandatory Paramedicine student orientation, usually held in June.

Students will be required to take and pass (paid for by the student):

- a MN Criminal Background study,
- electronic fingerprinting AND
- drug testing

In addition, the following must be completed:

- A medical examination,
- vaccinations against Hepatitis B or signed release form,
- Mantoux test

A driving background study may be conducted each fall for all students to operate State of MN vehicles.

### **Paramedicine program Accreditations & Credentials**

- CAAHEP (Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs)
- CoAEMSP (Commission on Accreditation of EMS Programs)
- MN Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (EMSRB)
- National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT)

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### **Visit SCTCC! – Paramedicine Program**

Thank you for your interest in the Paramedicine program at SCTCC!

We invite you to sign up for a tour or open house event at <https://sctcc.edu/visit>

After reviewing this information, if you need further assistance, please contact:

Admissions Office 320-308-5089

[enroll@sctcc.edu](mailto:enroll@sctcc.edu)

Academic Advising Center 320-308-5741

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