

Anticipated Start—Spring 2010!

See Admissions for an application

EMS: Paramedic for the Experienced EMT

2009-2010 Program Options:

Paramedic for the Experienced EMT Diploma (47)

Paramedic for the Experienced EMT AAS (60)

Diploma: Paramedic for the Experienced EMT

Total number of credits: 47

PENDING Final Approval - see admissions, instructor, or counselor for information.

Program Description: This program is designed to advance the experienced EMT to the paramedic level. Candidates may include experienced EMT's, registered nurses with experience in an emergency or critical care role, emergency department technicians, and military medics. Upon completion of the program, students may find career opportunities with ambulance services, police departments, fire departments, rescue departments, and hospitals. The program meets the criteria for education of Paramedics as recommended by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Century College Paramedic Program has been accredited by the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for EMS Professions (CoAEMSP) since 1987. Students are eligible to complete the National Registry exam for Paramedics upon successful completion of the program.

Application Requirements:

1. A completed Century College application.
2. An official high school transcript verifying graduation or an official GED certificate.
3. Minimum assessment score placement in MATH 0030/1000 or above, or completion of MATH 0010 with a grade of C or higher, or completion of MATH 1000 with a grade of C or higher.
4. Minimum assessment score placement into RDNG 1000 or completion of RDNG 0090 with a grade of C or higher.
5. Minimum assessment score placement in ENGL 1021 or completion of ENGL 0090 with a grade of C or higher.
6. Completion of one of the following: ENGL 1021, COMM 1021*, COMM 1031, COMM 1041, or COMM 1051 with a grade of C or higher; (this course will fulfill General Education/MNTC Goal 1 requirement in diploma, see below);
*COMM 1021 will not fulfill the Goal 1 COMM requirement in the Nursing - Paramedic Mobility program.
7. Verification of current EMT certification (any State certification). (Course offered at Century – EMSB 1020, 6 cr.)
8. Meets experienced EMT requirements as specified in the checklist provided by Admissions and in application booklet, also online.
9. Valid driver's license.
10. Current AHA BLS for the Healthcare Provider certification. (Course offered at Century – EMS 1010, 1 cr.)

Note: Student will need to provide or meet the following:

MN Human Services Background Study: Minnesota Human Services requires any individual having contact with patients to complete a background study prior to starting the clinical experience. An individual may be disqualified from having patient contact and would not be permitted to participate in the clinical experience.

Driving Record Check: Certain driving record issues may prevent successful completion of the program. Any issues (tickets, accidents, DWI, etc.) should be disclosed to faculty well before the first day of class to ensure this is not an issue.

Immunizations: Prior to clinicals, you are required to provide documentation of current immunizations or evidence of immunity for specified diseases.

Career/Occupational Requirements: 44 credits

EMSE 1140	Paramedic Orientation.....	1
EMSE 1141	Introduction to Paramedics.....	3
EMSE 1146	Advanced Assessment, Communication and Documentation....	2
EMSE 1148	Advanced EMS Operations.....	1
EMSE 1149	Advanced EMS Pharmacology.....	3
EMSE 1153	Advanced Medical Emergencies I.....	4
EMSE 1154	Advanced Medical Emergencies II.....	4
EMSE 1164	Advanced Prehospital Trauma Care.....	1
EMSE 1166	Prehospital Special Populations.....	5
EMSE 1167	Advanced Prehospital Cardiac Care I.....	4
EMSE 1168	Advanced Prehospital Cardiac Care II.....	4
EMSE 1170	Paramedic Preparation and Assessment.....	2
EMSE 1180	Integration and Transition to the Paramedic Role.....	1
EMSE 1185	Advanced Life Support Practicum I.....	3
EMSE 1186	Advanced Life Support Practicum II.....	3
EMSE 1187	Advanced Life Support Practicum III.....	3

General Education/MnTC Requirements: 3 credits

Goal 1 - Communication: 3 credits

Select **ONE** of the following communication courses:

ENGL 1021	Composition I.....	4
COMM 1021	Fundamentals of Public Speaking.....	3*
COMM 1031	Interpersonal Communication.....	3
COMM 1041	Small Group Communication.....	3
COMM 1051	Intercultural Communication.....	3

*not accepted as Goal 1 in the Associate Degree Nursing Program - Paramedic Mobility

Associate in Applied Science Degree: Paramedic for the Experienced EMT

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General Education/MnTC Requirements: 16 credits

Goal 1 - Communication: 7 credits

ENGL 1021	Composition I.....	4
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COMM 1031	Interpersonal Communication.....	3
COMM 1041	Small Group Communication.....	3
COMM 1051	Intercultural Communication.....	3

Goal 2 - Critical Thinking is fulfilled when all MnTC goals are complete

Goal 3 and Goal 4: Sciences/Math/Logical Reasoning: 3 credits

Goal 5: History/Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 credits

Goal 6: Humanities and Fine Arts: 3 credits

Goals 7-10: Three credits in one of these four goals (fulfilled by COMM course)

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General Requirements:

1. Certificates: Up to 30 earned college-level credits; one third of credits must be earned at Century College.
Diplomas: 31 to 48 earned college-level credits; one third of credits must be earned at Century College.
AAS: At least 60 earned college-level credits (numbered 1000 or above). At least 20 credits must be earned at Century College.
2. Century college-level GPA of 2.0; required career and occupational courses GPA of 2.0; MnTC GPA of 2.0.
3. A grade of C or higher in ENGL 1021 (for Diplomas and 30 credit Certificates ONLY IF this is the Goal 1 course selected.) (Exception: 16 credit certificates).

Assessment: *Assessments are required for all students* before registering for classes. Students may be required to take developmental courses in English, Reading and Mathematics based upon their assessment scores. For important information and exemptions see www.century.edu/futurestudents/assessment.

Admission: Paramedic Diploma and AAS require special application. Contact Century College Admissions Office for applications at 651-779-1700. Detailed information is available on the EMT webpage of the Century website including a PEEMT pre-course workbook with application information. Courses will be offered in a blended format – online and limited seat time in evenings and Saturdays. Completion time is approximately 18 months. Check with the program director or instructors for more information on program schedule. The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree will take approximately one additional year of study compared to the diploma option. Students who choose this option may complete the General Education portion before, during or after the technical portion of the program. Admittance into either program is given upon completion of the applicant file. This must include verification that all of the prerequisites are met. Acceptance is made on a first-come, first serve basis.

References to the Minnesota General Education Transfer Curriculum (MnTC): On this guidesheet, notations such as “Goal 1-Communication: 3 credits” are used to refer to the goals of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum. Refer to the MnTC Course List for the specific courses from which students may choose to fulfill the MnTC requirements of the program, found in the catalog, and the Counseling Center, and on the Century website. Students should be aware that it may be necessary to select additional MnTC credits beyond the minimum required in each goal area, to reach the total MnTC/General Education credits required for their program.

Career Information: Counselors are available in the Counseling and Career Center, Room 2400 West, to assist with educational and career planning. Resources available include career interest and personality inventories and print and web-based occupational and educational information, e.g., occupational descriptions, employment outlook, earnings, education/training requirements and sources. Consult the *GPS LifePlan* link on the Century website for information on these and more resources for your career, work, and educational planning!

Associate Degree Nursing Program – Paramedic Mobility: Century College and Inver Hills Community College offer a joint Associate Degree Nursing Program –Paramedic Mobility program. Special application is required including completion of specific academic coursework and assessment requirements. Interested Paramedic students should meet with a counselor as early as possible to plan for MnTC/general education courses that will apply to both programs. For detailed program admission requirements consult the booklet available in Admissions, Counseling or on the Nursing program link of the Century website.

Transfer: Some programs are intended primarily for employment preparation rather than transfer to a four-year institution. Some courses may not transfer to a number of four-year colleges. If you are considering the possibility of transfer, you may wish to talk with a counselor or the program instructor before registering to discuss your goals and look at programs designed for transfer.

Time Limit for Meeting Graduation Requirements: See Century College catalog “Graduation” for information.

Academic Petitions: Any exceptions to the program requirements must be petitioned through the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Cost: In addition to tuition and books, expenses for the paramedic program will cost approx. \$1200-\$1500. These costs are subject to change.

Important Telephone Numbers: (651) Area Code		Paramedic Program		779-5794
Admission Office	773-1700	Chris Caulkins, Program Director	E1242	790-5743
Counseling Office	779-3285	Program Faculty:		
Financial Aid Office	779-3305	Kim Schmitzer	E1242	779-5798
		Dave Borrett	E1246	748-2612