

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE



Program Information

Have you always wanted a career helping others? Are you passionate about making a difference? An Emergency Medical Services (EMS) certificate from San Jacinto College can prepare you for certification in a health care field that can lead to a career in EMS or other related fields. Each year in the US, about 240 million calls are made to 911 for emergency medical assistance, which means just about every minute someone urgently needs help, your help. If you qualify, next time you could be the one receiving a call for emergency help. Are you ready?

The San Jacinto College EMS program:

- Combines classroom lectures and lab skills with real time clinical patient treatment experience in hospitals and on ambulances. EMS training at San Jacinto College utilizes modern classroom facilities and state-of-the-art skills laboratory equipment to prepare students to be competent and qualified emergency medical personnel;
- Provides live hospital clinical and 911 ambulance (EMS) patient-care experiences to give students practical experience in the workplace during training. Students apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom in real-life patient treatment situations, supervised by experienced clinical faculty and preceptors; and
- Is taught by faculty carefully selected based on their knowledge, teaching abilities, previous education, and EMS field experience. San Jacinto College EMS faculty are committed to student success by providing quality education and training. Many are well known and highly respected throughout the EMS community.

Program Accreditation

The San Jacinto College EMS program is accredited by:

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP).

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
25400 US Highway 19 North, Suite 158
Clearwater, FL 33756
727-210-2350

www.caahep.org (<http://www.caahep.org/>)

Continuing Education activities are accredited by:

Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE)

12300 Ford Road, Suite 350
Dallas, TX 75234
972-247-4442

The San Jacinto College EMS program is overseen by and granted approval from:

The Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS), Office of EMS/Trauma Systems Coordination
PO Box 149347
Austin, TX 78714-9347
512-384-6700

Certification testing for EMS certification is done through:

The National Registry of EMTs

Rocco V. Morando Building
6610 Busch Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43229
614-888-4484

North Campus is accredited by:

Texas Department of State Health Services EMS and Trauma Systems
PO Box 149347
Austin, TX 78714-9347
512-834-6700; and the

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), through the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSP)

8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312
Rowlett, TX 75088
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Why is this information important? Students may click here for a short video (<https://vimeo.com/152497126/>) explaining the importance of accreditation.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the program have numerous opportunities for employment and growth in their education. Although career placement as a certified EMT-Basic or Paramedic does not require the completion of an associate degree, students who do complete the degree have greater career opportunities and are eligible to become licensed paramedics by TDSHS.

Most graduates continue their careers in the EMS field and are employed by:

- Public agencies such as municipal or county 911 EMS, fire departments, and police departments (SWAT Tactical Medics),
- Private EMS services,
- Hospitals,
- Helicopter or fixed-wing air ambulance services,

- Staff medics with offshore oil and gas exploration companies, and
- Contractors working in developing and recovering countries.¹

¹ Source: *EMS Workforce for the 21st Century: A National Assessment*

Graduate opportunities may also extend beyond traditional EMS roles to include:

- Nursing,
- Law Enforcement,
- Firefighting,
- Occupational Health and Safety,
- Health Care Administration,
- Education, and
- Physician Assistant or Medical Doctor.

Earning Potential

Emergency Medical Technician & Paramedics \$40,810 per year¹

¹ Source: texaswages.com (<http://texaswages.com>), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2023

For more information, students may contact 281-998-6350, x7301.

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