

PARAMEDIC TECHNICIAN

Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Program Code: 10-531-1 Total Credits: 66

Mid-State's Paramedic Technician program prepares students with the knowledge and skills to work competently as an entry-level paramedic. In this associate degree program, students will complete two semesters of general studies as well as two semesters of core paramedic courses in a joint cohort with students in the EMT-Paramedic program. You will learn prehospital skills in the classroom, skills laboratory, hospital, and prehospital settings. Upon successful completion, you will earn certifications in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Prehospital Trauma Life Support, and Pediatric Advanced Life Support and be eligible to take the National Registry written and practical examinations.

Mid-State's Paramedic Technician program prepares students to obtain the required licensure to be employed/practice in the state of Wisconsin. The College does not guarantee its curriculum matches the requirements for preparation, examination, or licensure for other states.

Estimated tuition and fees: mstc.edu/programcosts

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

To schedule an appointment with an academic advisor, call 715.422.5300. Academic advisors will travel to other campuses as necessary to accommodate student needs. For more information about advising, visit **mstc.edu/advising**.

CHECKLIST:

This section will be completed when meeting with your academic advisor.

- □ FAFSA (www.fafsa.gov)
- Financial Aid Form(s) Form(s):
- □ Follow-Up Appointment:

Where:	

When:_____

- Official Transcripts Mid-State Technical College Student Services Assistant 1001 Centerpoint Drive Stevens Point, WI 54481
- Criminal Background Statement of Understanding and Release of Information Form

□ Other:_



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CAREER PATHWAY • BEGIN AT ANY POINT



- Advanced Emergency Medical Technician
- Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy
- Criminal Justice-Law Enforcement 720 Academy
- Criminal Justice-Studies
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Emergency Services Management
- Fire Service Certification

OUTCOMES

Employers will expect you, as a Paramedic Technician graduate, to be able to:

- Prepare for incident response and EMS operations.
- Integrate pathophysiological principles and assessment findings to provide appropriate patient care.
- Demonstrate paramedic skills associated with established standards and procedures for a variety of patient encounters
- Communicate effectively with others.
- Demonstrate professional behavior.
- Meet state and national competencies listed for paramedic credentialing.

Paramedic Technician is based upon the US Department of Transportation Administration/Wisconsin Bureau Local Health Support and EMS curriculum.

TECHNICAL SKILLS ATTAINMENT

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) has implemented a requirement that all technical colleges measure outcomes attained by students. This requirement is called Technical Skills Attainment (TSA). The main objective of TSA is to ensure graduates have the technical skills needed by employers. Students will fulfill the TSA requirements when they complete the clinical and field courses.

ADDITIONAL ENTRY CRITERIA

To apply to the Paramedic Technician program, please submit the following document to Mid-State Admissions:

Step 1:

Criminal Background Statement of Understanding and Release of Information form.

Mid-State Technical College • Admissions 500 32nd Street North, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Completion of step 1 requirements allows the student to begin general education courses.

If you are taking Emergency Medical Technician program courses as part of the Paramedic Technician program, you must apply to Emergency Medical Technician program (30-531-3) separately. Although the Emergency Medical Technician program is part of the curriculum, it is handled as a stand-alone program for admission purposes.

Step 2:

Submit a current Wisconsin EMT license.

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Completion of the Step 2 requirement will make the student eligible for entry into the Paramedic core courses. Completion of Step 2 does not guarantee entry into the next available cohort of core program students. Cohorts are filled on a first-eligible, first-served basis.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

A list of specific physical, emotional, and mental tasks needed to function as a paramedic technician is available at **mstc.edu/programs/paramedic-technician**. Contact the Disability Services coordinator in the Student Services & Information Center to receive assistance.

CLINICAL-RELATED REQUIREMENTS

Prior to placement at a clinical site, students need to pay for a criminal background check through a private vendor. Students will be required to provide documentation of required health work and current healthcare provider CPR certification via a Blackboard assignment. Students are responsible for ensuring all requirements remain current during program enrollment.

Clinical sites have the right to refuse a student's placement based on inadequate health records, pending charges, or conviction records. Students with a criminal history may not be able to complete clinical courses. Mid-State will make two attempts to place a student in an appropriate clinical experience. If Mid-State is unable to place the student after two attempts, the student will be withdrawn from the course and will not be able to advance in the program.

Prior to beginning a clinical experience in a healthcare agency or ambulance service, students must:

- a. Provide evidence of completion of the required health work.
- b. Hold a current State of Wisconsin EMT license.
- c. Hold a Department of Health Services EMS Training Center Training Permit at the paramedic level.
- d. Provide evidence of current CPR at the health care professional level by a CPR organization specified under s. DHS 110.17(1).
- e. Obtain the required uniform for clinical experiences.
- f. Assume responsibility for clinical assignment(s) regardless of time and location, including transportation and other personal arrangements.

PROGRAM PROGRESSION

In order to progress in and complete the program, students must receive a grade of "C" or better in each of the paramedic core courses. Failure to obtain a grade of "C" in any core course will prevent a student from progressing on to the next course in the sequence until they have retaken the course and achieved a grade of "C" or better.

All general education courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better in order to be eligible for graduation.

Having to retake a core course will require removal from the student's cohort, and placement will be made in the next cohort with an available seat.

This requirement also applies to the last class in the sequence, as the grade of "C" or better is required in all core courses in order to retain eligibility to take the National Registry exam.

STUDENT HANDBOOK

Visit **mstc.edu/studenthandbook** to view Mid-State's student handbook, which contains information about admissions, enrollment, appeals processes, services for people with disabilities, financial aid, graduation, privacy, Mid-State's Student Code of Conduct, and technology.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

The GPS for Student Success course is required for all Mid-State program students and is recommended to be completed before obtaining 12 credits. (Not counted in the total credit value for this program.) Some students are exempt from this requirement. Please see your program advisor for more information.

GPS for Student Success 🗹

108901021 credit Integrate necessary skills for student success by developing an academic plan, identifying interpersonal attributes for success, adopting efficient and effective learning strategies, and utilizing Mid-State resources, policies, and processes. This course is recommended to be completed prior to obtaining 12 credits and is a graduation requirement unless you receive an exemption from your program advisor.

ADDITIONAL COURSES AS NEEDED

The following courses may be recommended or required if the student does not achieve minimum Accuplacer scores.

College Reading and Writing 1

subsequent algebra-related courses.

10831104.....**3 credits** Provides learners with opportunities to develop and expand reading and writing skills to prepare for collegelevel academic work. Students will employ critical reading strategies to improve comprehension, analysis, and retention of texts. Students will apply the writing process to produce well-developed, coherent, and unified written work.

Pre-Algebra

10834109**3 credits** Provides an introduction to algebra. Includes operations on real numbers, solving linear equations, percent and proportion, and an introduction to polynomials and

statistics. Prepares students for elementary algebra and

SAMPLE FULL-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term 10531940 10801136 10806177 10809172 10809122 10809196 10809198	EMT Foundations English Composition 1 General Anatomy & Physiology Introduction to Diversity Studies Intro to American Government Intro to Sociology Intro to Psychology	
Term 10531941	EMT Applications	12 credits
10801196 10801198 10801197 10804107 10806134 10806179	Oral/Interpersonal Communication Speech I -or- Technical Reporting College Mathematics I General Chemistry I -or- Advanced Anatomy & Physiology	2 -or- 3 3 4
Term 10531911 10531912 10531913 10531914 10531915 10531918 10531955 10531959	EMS Fundamental Paramedic Medical Principles Patient Assessment Principles Prehospital Pharmacology Paramedic Respiratory Managemen Advanced Resuscitation Paramedic Cardiology 1 Paramedic Clinical	19 credits 2 4 3 t 2 t 2 1 2 2
Term 10531919 10531920 10531921 10531922 10531923 10531956 10531957 10531958 10531960	Paramedic Medical Emergencies Paramedic Trauma Special Patient Populations EMS Operations Paramedic Capstone Paramedic Cardiology 2 Paramedic Field Experience Paramedic Field Leadership Paramedic Clinical/Field Prep	19 credits 4 3 1 1 2 3 1 1 1

Total credits 66

This course has options available to receive credit for prior learning (CPL) or work experience. Visit the website at mstc.edu/cpl or contact your advisor for details.

Please Note:

- This curriculum sequence is only for student planning. Actual student schedules will vary depending on course availability.
- Program completion time may vary based on student scheduling and course availability. For details, go to **mstc.edu/schedule**.

MULTIPLE MEASURES	
Multiple Measures Writing (MMW): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 2.0 credits of high school writing courses with a "C" or better	Multiple Measures Reading (MMR): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 2.0 credits of high school literature courses with a "C" or better
Multiple Measures Math 1 (MMM_1): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 1.0 credits of high school math (Algebra 1 or equivalent) with a "C" or better	Multiple Measures Math 2 (MMM_2): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 2.0 credits of high school math including Algebra 1 and Algebra 2 with a "C" or better
Multiple Measures Science 1 (MMS_1): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 1.0 credits of high school lab science course with a "C" or better	Multiple Measures Science 2 (MMS_2): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 1.0 credits of high school chemistry with a "C" or better

Past high school and college transcripts are used in making course placement decisions.

Advanced Anatomy & Physiology

10806179......4 credits The second semester in a two-semester sequence in which normal human anatomy and physiology are studied using a body system approach with emphasis on the interrelationships between form and function at the gross and microscopic levels of organization. Instructional delivery is within a classroom and laboratory setting. Experimentation within a science lab includes analysis of cellular metabolism and the individual components of body systems such as the nervous, neuromuscular, cardiovascular, and urinary. Continued examination of homeostatic mechanisms and their relationship to fluid, electrolyte, acid-base balance, and blood. Integration of genetics to human reproduction and development are also included in this course.

Prerequisite: General Anatomy & Physiology 10806177 with a grade of "C" or better

Advanced Resuscitation

10531918.....**1 credit** By teaching advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) and pediatric advanced life support (PALS) methodologies and protocols, this course prepares the paramedic student to integrate comprehensive knowledge of causes and pathophysiology into the management of shock, respiratory failure, respiratory arrest, cardiac arrest, and peri-arrest states. Emphasizes early intervention to prevent respiratory and/or cardiac arrest if possible.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

College Mathematics 🗷

108041073 credits This course is designed to review and develop fundamental concepts of mathematics in the areas of algebra, geometry, trigonometry, measurement and data. Algebra topics emphasize simplifying algebraic expressions, solving linear equations and inequalities with one variable, solving proportions and percent applications. Geometry and trigonometry topics include: finding areas and volumes of geometric figures, applying similar and congruent triangles, applying Pythagorean Theorem, and solving right triangles using trigonometric ratios. Measurement topics emphasize the application of measurement concepts and conversion techniques within and between U.S. customary and metric system to solve problems. Data topics emphasize data organization and summarization skills, including: frequency distributions, central tendency, relative position and measures of dispersion. Special emphasis is placed on problem solving, critical thinking and logical reasoning, making connections, and using calculators.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMM_1 or Accuplacer Arithmetic of 250 and QAS 234 or ACT Math score of 17 or Pre-Algebra 10834109 with a "C" or better

EMS Fundamental

10531911.....**2 credits** Provides learners with comprehensive knowledge of EMS systems, safety, well-being, legal issues, and ethical issues, with the intended outcome of improving the health of EMS personnel, patients, and the community. Learners obtain fundamental knowledge of public health principles and epidemiology as related to public health emergencies, health promotion, and illness/injury prevention. Introduces learners to comprehensive anatomical and medical terminology with the aim of fostering the development of effective communications with colleagues and other healthcare professionals.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

EMS Operations

10531922.....**1 credit** Provides paramedic students with the knowledge of operational roles and responsibilities to ensure patient, public, and EMS personnel safety. *Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311*

EMT Applications

10531941.....**2 credits** Course covers the bulk of the Emergency Medical Technician certification course to include the handling of cervical and spine injuries, burn injuries, heart- and breathing-related problems, shock, and other trauma injuries. Includes several lab days to practice and perfect skills, clinical time, and extensive hands-on activities. Prepares students for national certification testing for EMT. To maintain National Registry certification eligibility this course must be finished the semester following the completion of EMT Foundations. *Prerequisite: EMT Foundations 10531940*

EMT Foundations

10531940**3 credits** Covers the basics of the Emergency Medical Technician certification course to include CPR, airways, anatomy, hazmat response requirements, lifting and moving patients, incident command, and other technical information. It is the first part of a two-course system to prepare students for national certification testing for EMT.

Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or Emergency Medical Technician program 305313 or Fire Service Certification program 305032

English Composition 1 🖻

10801136.....**3 credits** Learners develop and apply skills in all aspects of the writing process. Through a variety of learning activities and written documents, learners employ rhetorical strategies, plan, organize and revise content, apply critical reading strategies, locate and evaluate information, integrate and document sources, and apply standardized English language conventions.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMW or Accuplacer Writing of 262 or ACT English score of 20 or completion of College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better

General Anatomy & Physiology 🖻

10806177......**4 credits** Examines basic concepts of human anatomy and physiology as they relate to health sciences. Using a body systems approach, the course emphasizes the interrelationships between structure and function at the gross and microscopic levels of organization of the entire human body. It is intended to prepare health care professionals who need to apply basic concepts of whole-body anatomy and physiology to informed decision making and professional communication with colleagues and patients. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMS_1 and MMM_1 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 262 and QAS of 246 or ACT Math score of*

Accuplacer Reading Skills of 262 and QAS of 246 or ACT Math score of 19 and Reading score of 19 or College Math 10804107 or Intermediate Algebra with Applications 10804118 with a "C" or better, or General Chemistry 10806134, or General Biology 10806114, or Human Body in Health & Disease 31509302

General Chemistry 🗷

10806134 4 credits Covers the fundamentals of chemistry. Topics include the metric system; problem solving; periodic relationships; chemical reactions, chemical equilibrium; properties of water; acids, bases, and salts; and gas laws. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMS_1 and MMM_1 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 262 and QAS of 246 or ACT Math score of 19 and Reading score of 19 or College Mathematics 10804107 or Intermediate Algebra with Applications 10804118 with a "C" or better*

Intro to American Government 🖻

10809122.....3 credits Introduces American political processes and institutions. Focuses on rights and responsibilities of citizens and the process of participatory democracy. Learners examine the complexity of the separation of powers and checks and balances. Explores the role of the media, interest groups, political parties, and public opinion in the political process. Also explores the role of state and national government in our federal system.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236 and Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 English

Intro to Psychology Z

108091983 credits

This science of psychology course is a survey of multiple aspects of behavior and mental processes. It provides an overview of topics such as research methods, theoretical perspectives, learning, cognition, memory, motivation, emotions, personality, abnormal psychology, physiological factors, social influences, and development.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236 and Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 English

Intro to Sociology 🗷

10809196.....**3 credits** Introduces students to the basic concepts of sociology: culture, socialization, social stratification, multi-culturalism, and the five institutions of family, politics, economics, religion, and education. Other topics include demography, deviance, technology, environment, social issues, social change, social organization, and workplace issues. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236 and Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 English*

Introduction to Diversity Studies 🖻

10809172.....3 credits Introduces learners to the study of diversity from a local to a global environment using a holistic, interdisciplinary approach. Encourages self-exploration and prepares the learner to work in a diverse environment. In addition to an analysis of majority/minority relations in a multicultural context, the primary topics of race, ethnicity, age, gender, class, sexual orientation, disability, and religion are explored. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236 and Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 English*

Oral/Interpersonal Communication 🖻

10801196.....**3 credits** Focuses on developing effective listening techniques and verbal and nonverbal communication skills through oral presentation, group activity, and other projects. The study of self, conflict, and cultural contexts will be explored, as well as their impact on communication. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or*

Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236 and Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 English

Paramedic Capstone

10531923.....**1 credit** Provides students with a final opportunity to incorporate their cognitive knowledge and psychomotor skills through labs and scenario-based practice and evaluations prior to taking the National Registry written and practical examinations. Technical skills attainment (TSA) for each student will be compiled and/or documented within this course as required by the DHS-approved paramedic curriculum.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Cardiology 1

10531955.....**2 credits** Provides basic knowledge to integrate pathophysiological principles and assessment findings to formulate a field impression and implement the treatment for the patient with cardiovascular disease.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Cardiology 2

10531956.....**2 credits** Teaches the paramedic student knowledge and skills to integrate assessment findings with principles of cardiovascular anatomy, physiology, epidemiology, and pathophysiology to formulate a field impression and implement a comprehensive treatment plan for a patient with a variety of cardiovascular complaints. *Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311*

Paramedic Clinical

10531959.....2 credits

Enhances learning through the practice of paramedicine in a healthcare environment. Learners will experience actual patients under the supervision of instructors or approved preceptors. Learners will also have the opportunity to participate in formal high-fidelity human patient simulator experiences as a part of this course.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Clinical/Field Prep

105319601 credit Enhances learning through the practice of paramedicine in a healthcare or field environment. Learners will experience actual patients under the supervision of instructors or approved preceptors.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Field Experience

10531957.....**3 credits** Provides the opportunity to enhance learning through the practice of paramedicine in a field environment and through experiences with actual patients under the supervision of instructors or approved preceptors. Students may also have the opportunity to participate in formal high-fidelity human patient simulator experiences as a part of this course. Successful completion of this course requires the student to meet all clinical and field competency requirements at the paramedic level as defined by WI DHS EMS.

Prerequisites: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311 and Advanced Resuscitation 10531918

Paramedic Field Leadership

10531958.....**1 credit** Provides the opportunity to act as the field team leader in a field environment and through experiences with actual patients under the supervision of instructors or approved preceptors. Successful completion of this course requires the student to meet all team leader competency requirements at the paramedic level as defined by WI DHS EMS and the COAEMSP.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Medical Emergencies

10531919......4 credits Teaches the paramedic student to integrate assessment findings with principles of anatomy, physiology, epidemiology, and pathophysiology to formulate a field impression and implement a comprehensive treatment plan for a patient with a medical complaint.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Medical Principles

10531912.....4 credits Addresses the complex depth of anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of major human systems while also introducing paramedic students to the topics of shock, immunology, and bleeding.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Respiratory Management

10531915......**2 credits** Teaches the paramedic student to integrate complex knowledge of anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology into the assessment to develop and implement a treatment plan with the goal of assuring a patient airway, adequate mechanical ventilation, and respiration for patients of all ages. Also provides specific knowledge pertaining to the respiratory system to ensure the student is prepared to formulate a field impression and implement a comprehensive treatment plan for a patient with a respiratory complaint.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Paramedic Trauma

10531920.....3 credits Teaches the paramedic student to integrate assessment findings with principles of anatomy, physiology, epidemiology, and pathophysiology to formulate a field impression and implement a comprehensive treatment plan for an acutely injured patient.

Prerequisites: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311 and Advanced Resuscitation 10531918

Patient Assessment Principles

10531913.....3 credits Teaches the paramedic student to integrate scene and patient assessment findings with knowledge of epidemiology and pathophysiology to form a field impression. Uses a structured and organized assessment process that draws on knowledge of anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, life span development, and changes that occur to the human body with time. Using this process students learn to develop a list of differential diagnoses through clinical reasoning and modify the assessment as necessary to formulate a treatment plan for their patients. *Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311*

Prehospital Pharmacology

105319143 credits

Provides the paramedic student with the comprehensive knowledge of pharmacology required to formulate and administer a pharmacological treatment plan intended to mitigate emergencies and improve the overall health of the patient.

Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311

Special Patient Populations

10531921.....**3 credits** Teaches the paramedic student to integrate assessment findings with principles of anatomy, physiology, epidemiology, and pathophysiology to formulate a field impression and implement a comprehensive treatment plan for patients with special needs. Also includes gynecological emergencies, along with special considerations in trauma. *Prerequisite: Admission to Paramedic Technician program 105311 or EMT-Paramedic program 315311*

Speech 🗷

10801198.....**3 credits** Explores the fundamentals of effective oral presentation to small and large groups. Topic selection, audience analysis, methods of organization, research, structuring evidence and support, delivery techniques, and other essential elements of speaking successfully, including the listening process, form the basis of this course. Includes informative, persuasive, and occasion speech presentations. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMR and MMW or Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.53 and Writing of 262 or ACT of 21 Reading/19 English or completion of College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better*

Technical Reporting

108011973 credits

The student prepares and presents oral and written technical reports. Types of reports may include lab and field reports, proposals, technical letters and memos, technical research reports, and case studies. Designed as an advanced communication course for students who have completed at least the prerequisite introductory writing course.

Prerequisite: English Composition 1 10801136 with a grade of "C" or better or Written Communication 10801195 with a grade of "C" or better