



PATRICK HENRY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Emergency Medical Technician Course

Patrick Henry Community College will be offering a Virginia Office of EMS Emergency Medical Technician course this summer and is open to anyone over the age of 16, as of June 3, 2014. Applicants must be CPR certified prior to the first day of class.

The Emergency Medical Technician course is designed to provide training to prepare an individual to function independently in a medical emergency. This course provides the basic knowledge and skills needed to provide basic life support (BLS) care and is required to progress to more advanced levels of pre-hospital patient care.

The course requires a minimum of 154 hours of classroom and skills instruction and 10 hours of clinical/field rotations for a total of 164 hours of training. Virginia Certification requires successful completion of a written and practical skills examination. This course is designed to train individuals to serve as a vital link in the chain of the health care team. This includes all skills necessary to provide emergency medical care as an attendant-in-charge with a basic life support ambulance service.

Upon successful completion of the training program, the student will be capable of performing the following functions:

- (1) Recognize the nature and seriousness of the patient's condition or extent of injury to assess requirements for emergency care.
- (2) Administer appropriate emergency care to stabilize the patient's condition.
- (3) Lift, move, position and otherwise handle the patient in a way as to minimize discomfort and further injury.

Upon successful completion of the course and obtaining EMT certification prior to August 15, 2014, students will be eligible to apply for admission into the paramedic program at PHCC for the fall, 2014 semester (*applicants are accepted on a space available basis and pending college placement scores*). Students need to have a current PHCC student application on file in the admissions office and will need to complete the **Virginia Placement Test** prior to submitting the paramedic program application.

Course Information:

Dates: June 3- July 31, 2014 on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Times: 9:00am- 6:00pm with a 1 hour lunch break

State Test Date and Location: August 9, 2014 in Rocky Mount, VA

Cost: 8 credit hours x \$ 132.33/credit (Financial aid available to those who qualify- contact PHCC Financial Aid)
(276) 656-0317

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**** If you need CPR certification, please email kwhitney@patrickhenry.edu for information on class offerings that will be held prior to the first day of the EMT class.**