



# Emergency Medical Technician FAQs

## **CAN I SKIP EMT AND GO RIGHT TO A HIGHER LEVEL, FOR INSTANCE ADVANCED EMT OR PARAMEDIC?**

No, a state of Wisconsin issued EMT license is needed in order to progress to any higher level of EMS. Note that EMT requires completion of EMR/EMT Part 1 and EMT Part 2, along with successful completion of both the National Registry of EMTs cognitive and psychomotor exams.

## **CAN I CHOOSE TO TAKE THE EMT COURSE AT ANY CAMPUS?**

When you apply to the EMT program you will identify at which campus you wish to attend class. Once all of your admissions requirements are met and you are admitted to the program you may then register for the class at that campus when it is offered.

## **WHEN CAN I REGISTER FOR CLASS?**

You will be able to register for class once you have been matriculated into the EMT-Basic program, provided it is on or after the first day of open enrollment for that semester's classes.

## **WHEN IS THE PROGRAM ORIENTATION?**

A program orientation for all programs within the School of Public Safety is scheduled within the two weeks prior to the beginning of the semester. This orientation will allow you an opportunity to meet faculty, find out more about the career, and receive information that will help set you up for success. Your advisor will add that orientation class to your class schedule. There will be additional orientation material on the first day of class, which will be more pertinent to specific items that may need attention in order for you to be successful in your class.

## **WILL I NEED HEALTHWORK DONE BEFORE ATTENDING EMT?**

Patient contacts for EMT are largely performed in a simulation environment, where health work requirements are not mandated. It is still highly recommended that you have current vaccinations, a current TB skin test, and are in good health.

## **WILL THERE BE OTHER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROGRAM THAT ARE NOT COVERED WITHIN MY TUITION AND FEES?**

You will be required to purchase textbooks for the EMT program. A list of the books required is available through the bookstore. You will also have testing fees that will need to be paid if you intend to take the National Registry exam at the end of class. The National Registry fee for EMT is currently \$104.00, payable each time that you take the written exam. There is also a \$175.00 fee due to Mid-State for the initial EMT psychomotor exam. Failure of the psychomotor exam will require another payment if you choose to re-test. If you choose to take a test at another training center or must take stations over again at another site, you will be responsible for payment of their testing fees. Please plan accordingly and understand that the price of fuel and other travel related expenses are your responsibility and are not a reason to be excused from class.

## **WILL I BE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE UNIFORMS FOR CLASS?**

Yes, uniforms are required as part of the EMT program. Mid-State screen printed t-shirts are ordered on the first day of class. You will also be supplied with other uniform guidelines that will need to be followed ONLY if you are going to perform field contacts with an external agency.

## **DOES THIS CLASS QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL AID?**

EMT may be eligible for financial aid if it is being taken as part of your pathway to a further technical or associate degree, such as Paramedic, Paramedic Technician, or FireMedic.