UH PARMA MEDICAL CENTER
PARAMEDIC EDUCATION PROGRAM
State of Ohio Accreditation #323
CAAHCP #600529

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Each class is limited to a maximum of 32 students. Two courses will be offered per year.

2. The courses are offered in January and again in September. Classes run approximately 55 weeks. All classes are scheduled during daytime hours.

3. Sequence of the course is based on the current National Curriculum as dictated by the accrediting body of the State of Ohio. All course requirements are subject to change according to the policies of the accrediting body.

4. Applications are processed on a first come, first served basis; therefore, it is suggested that you get your application in as soon as possible. A $35.00 non-refundable processing fee is required with submission of the application.

COURSE HOURS:

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<td>Anatomy &amp; Physiology</td>
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<td>Classroom and Laboratory</td>
<td>532</td>
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<td>Clinical: (In Hospital)</td>
<td>266</td>
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<td>Field Internship:</td>
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1026 hours

*This figure includes time allotted for Advanced Cardiac Life Support, International Trauma Life Support, and Pediatric Advanced Life Support courses.

**Hours may vary, as clinical and field internship requirements “competency based” (i.e., required numbers of successful skill completion, and participation in Advanced Life Support Ambulance Runs.)

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants are responsible for fulfilling the following requirements. Consideration for admission commences only upon their receipt by the EMS Department.

Please forward all information to:

Joseph W. Toth, MBA, NRP, EMSI
Manager, EMS Training & Disaster Preparedness Institute
UH Parma Medical Center
Health Education Center
7300 State Rd.
Parma, OH 44134

Phone: (440)743-4970  Fax: (440)743-4966
Candidates applying for the Paramedic Education Program will be required to:

1. State of Ohio State Certified EMT-B
2. Be at least 18 years of age at the time of admission.
3. Complete and submit the UH Parma Medical Center Paramedic Education Program application forms and fee.
4. Submit **official** copies of high school transcripts or GED scores, including documented date of graduation.
5. Submit an **official** copy of college transcripts of all schools attended.
6. Submit **notarized** copies of the following:
   a. Current Ohio Driver’s License.
   b. Current Certification as an EMT-B in Ohio. If certified by another state, obtain Reciprocity Certification from the State of Ohio – Department of Public Safety in Columbus. National Registry Certification and Ohio Certification must then be expeditiously pursued and obtained.
   c. Current CPR Card (Basic Life Support Provider or Instructor) from the American Heart Association, Health Care Provider, or the American Red Cross, Professional Level (**front and back of card**).
   d. Current National Registration, if applicable.
7. Submit three (3) names and **complete mailing addresses** to which confidential reference forms may be sent. One of the references must be the applicant’s EMT-B Instructor. If it is not possible to notify the original EMT Instructor, the name and address of the most recent instructor for an Ohio EMT Refresher Course must be submitted. Omission of this information (**including the omission of mailing addresses**) will delay the admission process.
8. Review, sign and return the attached Technical Standards with your application.
9. Complete and return an essay stating reasons for applying to the Paramedic Education program (approximately 300 words in length).
10. Complete and return the attached questionnaire.
11. Attend the Paramedic Orientation with the Paramedic Program’s EMS Manager, and/or other designated member of the Paramedic Education Department Staff.
12. Meet physical requirements. Students may be required to provide documentation from a licensed physician. A list of required immunizations will be provided to the student.

Class will be filled by the first 32 qualified, paid applicants. Enrollment will be at the discretion of the EMS Education Advisory Committee.
ADMISSION POLICY

1. Payment is due to the EMS Office two weeks prior to the beginning of class.

2. If a Municipality or EMS Service is paying for the student a Letter of Intent to pay is required two weeks prior to the beginning of class.

3. False or misleading information discovered after admission to the program is grounds for immediate dismissal, without refund.

COSTS TO THE STUDENTS:

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<td>Total cost for the Program</td>
<td>$5000</td>
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<td>If Tuition is paid in full prior to start of class</td>
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This fee covers tuition covers book and lab fees.

Required immunizations are the responsibility of the student.
Personal equipment such as stethoscope, penlight, calipers, field and bandage scissors is the student’s responsibility.
National Registry Exam Practical and Written is the responsibility of the student.

All required textbooks will be provided to the student during the first day of class, or as appropriate to the topic being studied.

REFUND POLICY

1. Students voluntarily withdrawing from the Parma Paramedic Education Program will receive 50% of their tuition if they withdraw by the end of the first week. *

2. No refund of tuition will be provided to students after the FIRST week of school for any reason.

3. Students dismissed from the Parma Paramedic Education Program are not entitled to any refund of tuition.*, **

*Textbooks will be retained by the student and real and actual costs of these items as well as the Application Fee will be deducted from the initial payment and will not be reimbursed.

**50% of money received from student
MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS...

Joseph W. Toth, MBA, NRP, EMSI
Manager, EMS Training & Disaster Preparedness Institute
Joe has been involved in EMS since 1986 when he received his Basic EMT Certificate. In 1988 he graduated from Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program and began his career with Lakewood EMS. Joe was also a member of the Brooklyn Fire Department as a Firefighter/Medic and as a Paramedic for the Medina Life Support Team. Governor George Voinovich appointed Joe as a member of the State of Ohio, Division of Emergency Medical Service Board in 1997. Governor Taft reappointed Joe to the EMS Board in 2000. Joe served as Chairman of the Education Committee for the State of Ohio, Division of EMS Board. Joe is a graduate of Baldwin Wallace College and earned a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. He earned his Masters of Business Administration from The University of Phoenix. He is a Regional Faculty Member with the American Heart Association in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support and Basic Cardiac Life Support. Joe is the American Heart Association Regional Chairman for the State of Ohio. In addition, he is an affiliate faculty member with the Ohio Chapter of International Trauma Life Support.

Greg Breen, REMT-P, EMSI
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services
Greg started in his EMS career in 1977 when he earned his Basic EMT Certificate. In 1980 he received his Paramedic Certification. In 1981 Greg began his paramedic employment for the City of Cleveland – Emergency Medical Services. Greg holds Instructor Certifications in CPR, ACLS, PALS, and BTLS and PHTLS. In 1976, Greg graduated from the college of Subenville with a BA in Philosophy and English. Greg has been teaching for Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program since 1992.

Lewis G. Davis, EMT-P, EMSI, FSI, HMI
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services
Lou started in his EMS Career in 1993 as a Basic EMT with Mentor-on-the-Lake. In 1995, he became a Paramedic and continued his career with the City of Mentor. In 1995, he began his employment with the City of Parma as a Firefighter/Paramedic. He then became an EMS Instructor with the City of Parma in 2003, and began working as an EMS Instructor with Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program in 2004. Lou is also a member of the SERT Hazmat team as a Hazardous Materials Technician since 1994. Lou is also a graduate of Kent State University with a degree in Physical Education.

Benjamin Dockstader, REMT-P, EMSI
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services
Ben obtained his EMT-B in 1994 and his Paramedic Certification in 1998. He worked for American Medical Response and was hired by the Brook Park Fire Department in 1999. Ben serves on the SERT Technical Rescue Team and the 5-County Region 2 USAR Team. He is certified as an instructor in ACLS, BLS, PALS, and ITLS. Ben is also a Fire Instructor. Ben has taught for Parma since 2008.

Ricky Fetter, AA, NREMT-P, EMSI
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services
Ricky has been involved in EMS since 1993 when he began working as a Hospital Corpsman in the United States Navy. Ricky received his EMT-B certification in 1994 while stationed in Rhode Island. Once out of the navy he moved back with his family to Ohio and gained his Ohio EMT-B through reciprocity. Ricky worked in the private ambulance industry until 1997 when he was hired full time at the Medina Life Support Team. Ricky remained at the Medina Life Support Team until 2006. At this time, Ricky was hired as a firefighter/paramedic for the City of Parma. Ricky is has been a member of Parma Community General Hospital’s EMS education office since 2001 and currently serves as a lead paramedic instructor. Ricky is also a tactical paramedic with the Parma SWAT Team as well as the SERT Team. He was chosen as a Regional Faculty member for BLS and ACLS from the American Heart Association in 2012. Ricky is certified in the State of Ohio as a Paramedic, EMS Instructor, Fire Instructor, and as a Fire Safety Inspector.
Jim Gross, EMT-P, EMSI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
Jim began his career in EMS in 1996 when he earned his EMT-B Certification from the State of Ohio. Jim then continued on to paramedic school and in the summer of 1997 achieved the certification of Paramedic. He was then hired by American Medical Response of Akron and worked closely with both Akron and Barberton Fire Departments. During this time, Jim was also hired to work for Children’s Hospital Medical Center of Akron with the Critical Care Pediatric Transport Team. In 2001, he was hired by Medina Life Support Team as a full-time paramedic, where he continues his career. Jim is a PALS, ACLS and BLS Instructor.

William Honsaker, EMT-P, EMSI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
William began his career in EMS in 1989 when he earned his EMT-B Certification from the State of Ohio. William continued his education and graduated from Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program in 1990. William is currently an Firefighter Paramedic with the Shaker Hts. Fire Department since 1992. William is a member of the Heights Area Rescue Team (HASRT), which provides technical rescue to the eastside suburbs. William is certified as a BLS Instructor and has taught in the Parma Hospital Paramedic Program from 1992-1996.

Todd Kulina, FF/EMT-P, EMSI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
Todd started in his EMS career in 1988 when he earned his Basic EMT Certificate from Cuyahoga Community College. In 1991, he graduated from Lorain Community College Paramedic Program. In 1994, after working for a private ambulance service and 2 years part-time with Olmsted Falls Fire Department, he began his employment with the Parma Fire Department as a Firefighter Paramedic. He became an EMS Instructor with Parma Fire Department in 2003 and for Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program in 2004. Todd holds Instructor Certificates in BLS, ACLS, PALS, and BTLS. Todd also is the CPR Coordinator and Software Administrator for EMS Reporting for the Parma Fire Department.

Joe Stefanko, REMT-P, EMSI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
Joe began his Firefighter/EMS career in 1988. He started with the Brooklyn Hts. Fire Department as a part-time FF/Medic and currently holds the position of Lieutenant and EMS Coordinator. In 1991, Joe began his full-time career with the City of Parma Fire Department. Joe earned his EMS Instructor status in 1993 and taught at various EMS Programs in Ohio. Joe also has specific interests and is certified in numerous technical rescue areas as well as hazardous material technician.

Sean C. Strefas, REMT-P, EMSAI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
Sean began his career in EMS in 2005, when he became a Medic in the United States Army based in San Antonio, Texas. While in the United States Army, Sean obtained his EMT-Basic Certification. In 2008 after leaving the US Army, Sean obtained his Paramedic Certification from Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program. Sean obtained his Firefighter Certification in 2009. Sean is currently a Firefighter Paramedic for the City of North Royalton. Sean is also currently certified as an Instructor for BLS, ACLS, and PALS.

Brian Wallick, EMT-P, RN, EMSI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
Brian earned his EMT-B in 1995 at Stark Technical Institute. He went on to graduate from Stark County Paramedic Program at Aultman Hospital in 1996. He began working with the Medina Life Support Team in 1997. In 2002, Brian was hired at Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program. He was accepted into Tri-C’s Nursing Program through Parma Community General Hospital and graduated as an RN in 2010. He is currently a Nurse Supervisor for Lodi Hospital and continues to teach at Parma Hospital’s Paramedic Program.

Andy Morales, NREMT-P, EMSI  
Instructor, Emergency Medical Services  
Andy began his EMS career in 2000, when he received his EMT-B Certification. In 2003, he was hired by Cleveland EMS where he worked for 3 years. He worked for a year in Florida for Polk County EMS. Andy returned to Ohio and worked as a Critical Care Paramedic with the Cleveland Clinic Critical Care Transport Team. Andy was hired by Cleveland Airport Fire in 2007. He was an Instructor with the Cleveland Clinic EMS Academy from 2006-2013. Andy has certifications in ITLS, ACLS Instructor, PALS, CCEMT-P, and BLS.