

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
HEALTH SCIENCES DIVISION
PARAMEDIC PROGRAM
Revision Date: 12/2023

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number:	PARM 1112
Course Title:	Introduction to Paramedicine
Prerequisite(s):	Enrollment in Paramedic program or by instructor approval.
Catalog Description:	This interactive course will discuss foundational aspects of EMS, while presenting foundational aspects of EMS within the healthcare system. Ethics, medical-legal issues, roles & responsibilities of the Paramedic, healthcare policy and the role of research within EMS will also be discussed.
Credit Hours:	2
Class Hours:	30
Lab Hours:	0
Total Contact Hours:	30

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Course will:*

1. Provide students with an understanding of EMS systems.
2. Assist students in developing an appreciation for ethical situations encountered within the EMS setting.
3. Review medicolegal concepts.
4. Analyze the role of EMS within the healthcare system.
5. Discuss EMS policies as they relate to EMS providers and EMS systems.
6. Introduce the concept of “evidence-based medicine” as it relates to EMS.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: *Student will be able to:*

1. Demonstrate understanding of didactic material by completing written examinations, quizzes, homework and projects with a cumulative score of $\geq 75\%$.
2. Demonstrate the professional traits as outlined in the *EMT Oath and Code of Conduct*.
3. Critique basic research studies to evaluate validity.
4. Critique various EMS policy issues.

B. GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES

GELO 4: Global Awareness and Citizenship

Outcome 5: Identify and evaluate different theoretical or philosophical perspectives and their relevance to ethical decision-making.

1. The student will demonstrate choices that reflect personal responsibility in one’s academic, civic, social, and vocational/professional life.

IV. CONTENT/TOPICAL OUTLINE (*course outline may provide more detailed information*)

- A. Emergency medical systems
- B. Personal wellness and safety
- C. Principles of ethical decision making
- D. Research techniques
- E. Policy review

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

A. Required Text(s):

Bledsoe, B. E., Porter, R. S., & Cherry, R. A. *Paramedic Care: Principles and Practices*, current ed.,
Upper Saddle River: Prentice Hall

VI. METHODS OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION

- A. Methods of presentation typically include a combination of the following:
 - 1. Lecture
 - 2. Group discussion
 - 3. Demonstrations

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION

- A. Methods of evaluation are provided in the Course Information Document (CID) found in the course canvas shell.

SCC STANDARD GRADING SCALE POLICY:

A+	95-100	C+	75-79
A	90-94	C	70-74
B+	85-89	D+	65-69
B	80-84	D	60-64
		F	Below 60

VIII. SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Students must complete course with a score of Passing $\geq 75\%$ (C+) to continue in the Paramedic Program.
- B. The expectations of students are to abide by the policies and procedures found within the CID and program handbook.