

# Paramedic Specialist Full-time Training Program

Classes are held twice a year beginning every January and July.



## WEB SITE

For more information about the Paramedic Specialist Full-time Training Program and to obtain a printable application, please visit the EMS Learning Resources Center at [www.uihealthcare.com](http://www.uihealthcare.com)

Click on the bottom, center link: "EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRAINING".

## TUITION

Tuition for the Paramedic Specialist Full-time Training Program is \$6,000.

**ALL TUITION FEES MUST BE PAID — IN FULL— THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS OR BEFORE. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

All checks/money orders shall be made payable to: EMSLRC. We also accept payment by VISA and MasterCard. All lab fees, course handouts, state and/or national practical examination fees are included in the tuition (if taken at Iowa City location).

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Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all University of Iowa sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to participate in this program, please contact the EMSLRC in advance at (319) 356-2597.

## APPROXIMATE PROJECTED EXPENSES

NOTE: This information helps the Paramedic Specialist student anticipate some costs associated with the Paramedic Specialist Training Program. These are estimates only and do not include the expenses associated with incidentals, travel, and room/board.

### THESE EXPENSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

Non-refundable Application Fee	\$25
Tuition (\$500 non-refundable deposit) (Tuition subject to change)	\$6,000
Textbooks	\$600
Hobet	\$50
Anatomy & Physiology Test	\$50
Malpractice Insurance (approximate)	\$150
Certification Examination Fees	\$140
Parking (approximate) if needed	\$100
Student Physical	\$Varied
Uniform shirts-three (approximate)	\$75
University of Iowa Student Fees	\$800
Includes:	
Base Student Fee	
Computer Fee	
Student Activities Fee	
Student Services Fee	
Student Union Fee	
Building Fee	
Career Services Fee	

# Information for the Paramedic Specialist Full-time Training Program

Nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)

EMS Learning Resources Center

## COURSE OVERVIEW

Our nationally accredited program is conducted in three segments. This full-time program consists of 15 weeks of intensive classroom training at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, five days a week from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. The second component consists of a supervised clinical experience in a hospital setting. The third component includes a field internship with a paramedic-level ambulance service.

## CURRICULUM

The U.S. Department of Transportation 1998 Paramedic Curriculum is followed throughout the program. Students who successfully complete the program are eligible to take the National Registry paramedic examinations.

## ACCREDITATION

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics EMS Learning Resources Center Paramedic Training Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). CAAHEP is a national, specialized accreditor of allied health programs and accredits programs for the Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic (EMT-Paramedic). The accreditation standards are the minimum standards of quality used to accredit programs that prepare individuals to enter the profession of EMT-Paramedic. This accreditation assures the students that the University of Iowa Emergency Medical Services Learning Resources Center offers a quality paramedic training program which adheres to standards set forth by CAAHEP.

The Emergency Medical Services Learning Resources Center, The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, 200 Hawkins Drive, 6-South, GH, Iowa City, Iowa 52242-1009. FAX: 319.353.7508

For more information—Phone: 319.356.2597, Web Site: [www.uihealthcare.com/emslrc](http://www.uihealthcare.com/emslrc)

## HOUSING

Students are responsible for making their own housing arrangements for the duration of the program. After acceptance into the program, students will receive information describing rental properties in the Iowa City/Coralville area.

Some students may be able to find housing through the local newspapers or University of Iowa. [www.dailyiowan.com](http://www.dailyiowan.com); [www.press-citizen.com](http://www.press-citizen.com); [www.gazetteonline.com](http://www.gazetteonline.com);

University of Iowa Off-Campus Housing Service at <http://apps.imu.uiowa.edu/housing/>

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Paramedic Specialist program offered by the EMS Learning Resources Center at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics has been approved for Stafford Loans and Pell Grants. You can obtain an application for Federal Student Aid at most high schools, colleges, libraries, etc. You can also apply on-line via the internet ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov))

All financial aid is offered through the University of Iowa Admissions/Financial Aid office.

[www.uiowa.edu/financial-aid](http://www.uiowa.edu/financial-aid) 1.800.553.4692

Short-term secured loans may be available through local lending institutions to assist qualified applicants. This course has been approved for veterans and military educational funds.

Financing is available through the SLM Financial Corporation [www.slmfinancial.com](http://www.slmfinancial.com).

## MALPRACTICE INSURANCE

All students must have professional malpractice insurance before clinical rotations begin. The EMSLRC can assist the student in obtaining coverage; however, all costs incurred will be the responsibility of the student.

## ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to attend all scheduled classes and all clinical and field rotations.

## CLINICAL INTERNSHIP

Internship in an approved hospital setting is a period of supervised experience rotating through the Emergency Department, Operating Room, Intensive Care Unit, Pediatrics, Geriatrics, Obstetrics, and Psychiatry. During this supervised clinical experience, numerous skill competencies will be required. This clinical internship will take approximately 260 hours. The student will be responsible to a clinical preceptor throughout the clinical internship.

## FIELD INTERNSHIP

Internship in the field is a period of supervised experience with an approved paramedic-level ambulance service. Students are assigned to field sites throughout Iowa or in their home states, if appropriate. During field internship, the student will follow instructions given to him/her by the field preceptor. During this supervised field experience, numerous skill competencies and ALS calls are required. The field internship will take 360-600 hours.

## GRADUATION

Each of the three components—didactic, clinical and field—must be completed successfully before the student may take the National Registry examinations.

## CREDENTIALS

Graduates obtain the following credentials: Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Provider, Advanced Medical Life Support (AMLS) Provider, Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) Instructor; Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP) Provider, Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Provider, and Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) Provider, Awareness Level HAZMAT, Pediatric Education for the PreHospital Professional (PEPP) and Geriatric Education for Emergency Medical Services (GEMS).

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Paramedic Specialist Full-time Training Program applicants must:

- Submit completed application along with a \$25 non-refundable application fee payable to the EMSLRC. (Request for application form included in this brochure.) Incomplete application forms will not be considered.

- Submit evidence of high school graduation or its equivalent.

- Submit high school and any post high school transcripts (i.e. technical school, college).

- Submit copy of current state Basic-EMT or National Registry REMT-B certificate, or advanced level certificates, if applicable. All accepted students must have an Iowa EMT-B or EMT-I certification by the first day of class.

- Students will take the Health Occupations Basic Entrance Test (HOBET) — or equivalent — and must score at the high school level or above in math and reading comprehension.

- Students will take the HOBET Anatomy and Physiology - Level 1 exam — or equivalent — and score at or above the national passing score. (Students presenting documentation of a C grade or above in college level Anatomy and Physiology 101 will be excused from this requirement.)

- Be physically capable of performing the duties of a paramedic and receive a physical through University of Iowa Health Services or personal physician.

- Submit three letters of reference from: applicant's immediate supervisor; ambulance service's medical director with whom the applicant is affiliated (if applicable); and someone who is familiar with the applicant's professional expertise.

A personal interview with members of the Paramedic Specialist Full-time Training Program selection committee is arranged.

Applicants who are accepted will have 14 days to confirm, in writing, their willingness to attend the program. This letter must be accompanied by a \$500 non-refundable deposit. This deposit will be applied to the tuition fee.