

Can I skip EMT-Basic and go right to a higher level, for instance paramedic?

**No, completion of EMT-Basic is required by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services before moving to any higher level of EMS care.**

If I am going to apply to the Paramedic Technician program, do I need to also apply to EMT-Basic?

**You can start your Paramedic Technician general education requirements without having an EMT-Basic license. Even though EMT-Basic is a part of the Paramedic Technician curriculum, you still must apply to EMT-Basic as a separate program.**

Can I choose to take the EMT-Basic class at any campus?

**When you apply to the EMT-Basic program you will identify at which campus you wish to attend class. Once all of your admissions requirements are met and you are matriculated (admitted) to the program you may then register for the class at that campus.**

When I register for the EMT-Basic class can I register for a different class than what I indicated if there are openings shown on MyMSTC?

**No, you must register for the class to which you were designated upon enrollment. Classes have an enrollment cap and are managed through the enrollment process. If you register for the wrong campus you will be removed from the class and placed into the one that you originally designated.**

Can I switch my campus preference once I have been matriculated?

**You may check with the Admissions office to see if there are still openings on another campus once you have been matriculated. However, if the class is already capped you will not be able to be moved.**

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?

**Program orientation is held on the first night of class. You are highly encouraged to also attend the MSTC Smart Start session. Information regarding Smart Start sessions is mailed to students who have been matriculated for upcoming programs.**

Will I need health work done before attending EMT-Basic?

**Patient contacts for EMT-Basic are performed in field settings, 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. Clinical contact will not start for some time after class starts, thereby making it possible to complete any necessary health related tasks before they are needed.**

Will there be other costs associated with the program that are not covered in my tuition?

**You will be required to purchase a number of textbooks, as well as a blood pressure cuff, stethoscope, and pocket mask for the EMT-Basic program. A list of the required books is available through the MSTC 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-Basics is currently \$70.00, payable each time that you take the written exam. There is also a \$150.00 fee due to MSTC for the EMT-Basic practical exam for NREMT. If you choose to test elsewhere, or have to take stations over again at another site you will be responsible for payment of their testing fees.**

**There is a \$25.00 graduation fee at the end of the program. You will want to pay this fee, even if you do not intend to take part in the actual graduation ceremony. If you do not pay the fee you will not show a graduated status on your transcript, nor will you receive your technical diploma or associate's degree. Failure to pay the fee will not affect your eligibility to take the National Registry exam.**

**Travel to clinical sites and back and forth to class can get quite expensive. Please plan accordingly and understand that the price of fuel, etc. is your responsibility and is not a reason to be excused from class.**

Will I be required to purchase uniforms for class?

**Yes, uniforms are required as a part of the EMT-Basic program. MSTC screen-printed t-shirts are ordered on the first day of class. You will also be supplied with other uniform guidelines on the first day of class. Generally the uniform will consist of navy blue EMS pants, MSTC t-shirt, a black belt, and black boots.**

Does this class qualify for financial aid?

**EMT-Basic should be financial aid eligible for those students who are taking it as a part of the Paramedic Technician program. Financial aid eligibility is not a given and will be determined by the financial Aid office.**