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**EMS
IS A FAST-GROWING
CAREER FIELD**

Hundreds of good-paying jobs are waiting for trained applicants

The U.S. Department of Labor estimates a 19 percent increase in demand for EMTs and paramedics over the next eight years. The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment forecasts 130 openings per year for EMTs and paramedics. A certificate in Emergency Medical Technician-Basic from Front Range Community College (FRCC) will help you.

INSTRUCTOR PROFILE

Misty West, NREMT-P



Misty started in EMS in 1990. She has worked on a private ambulance in the city and volunteered with an ambulance service in mountain communities. She began teaching EMS full time in 1998. "I really enjoy working with the EMT-B students and helping them achieve their dreams of working in the field of medicine," she says.

EMT

	Entry	Middle	Experienced
EMT	\$23,229/year	\$32,005/year	\$41,412/year

FRCC estimates based on Occupational Employment Statistics (2007) Colorado Department of Labor and Employment

If you have a certificate from Front Range Community College, you show employers you achieved a higher standard. You are "job ready" and prepared for the national certification exam of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

A career as an EMT could be just right for you. You like to help people. You want to give back to your community. You respond well to the challenge of thinking on your feet in a variety of often daunting environments. You don't mind working under pressure – sometimes in life-or-death emergencies. Maybe you're waiting on nursing or medical school but want another challenge in the meantime. Or you want a career as a paramedic. Becoming an EMT is the first step. Whatever your reason, come talk to us. Visit our classes. You will see we're focused on your success.



Do you want to get to work fast? EMT-Basic is a one-semester certificate. You can move quickly into the workforce.

This is a quality program

The EMS Program at FRCC has received accreditation from the Emergency Medical Services and Prevention Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Your FRCC certificate makes you highly qualified.

Passing the national certification exam is up to you, of course, but graduates from our three campus programs have a pass rate averaging 90 percent or higher – about 20 percentage points above the national average pass rate.

Learn from the best instructors in the business

Experienced, employed EMS professionals assist with your education. Our faculty and instructors have real-life experiences to share that help make their subjects real and exciting. You can expect to learn a lot and have a great time doing it in small classes designed to accommodate your work schedule. You will get lots of hands-on training in your classes and clinical assignments.

INSTRUCTOR PROFILE

Mark Johnson, EMT-P



Mark has been employed in the emergency services field since 1974 and has been a paramedic since 1981. "When you go into public safety," he says, "you end up teaching a lot." As teaching became more of a passion, Mark earned a degree in adult education from Colorado State University. He also has associate degrees in criminal justice, fire science technology, and fire protection technology. Mark recently served with nine others from across the country to review the new national practice standards for EMS providers. He also serves as vice chair of the board of the Centennial Area Health Education Center and is a faculty member for the Colorado State EMS Instructor Training Program. Mark also served three terms on the Governor's State EMS Council.

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STUDENT PROFILE

Dollie Perez, NREMT-B



Dollie is a field training officer for the Poudre Valley Hospital Ambulance Service. She loves the work. "I hope to go to paramedic school in 2010," she says. In the meantime, she works her shifts and is beginning cross-training in the emergency room where EMTs are becoming part of the

treatment team. Dollie volunteered with the ambulance service for a year and a half after earning her EMS certificate because she was too young to take the National Registry exam. She has been on staff for 2½ years now. In that time, one highlight moment was on a night after a blizzard. The crew needed a front-end loader to get a pregnant woman from her apartment to the ambulance on the street. That's resourcefulness.

INSTRUCTOR PROFILE

Todd Sheaman, NREMT



Todd has been a working EMT for more than 15 years. In more than 1,200 hours of additional training and conferences, he has earned Primary Instructor and Course Coordinator certificates from the state as well as certifications in such critical field skills as Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support.

These days, he's taking Paramedic training. Todd has been teaching at FRCC since 1994, and he's the faculty expert on humor in the classroom. In fact, he's presented at a national conference about Humor in the Classroom and Dynamic Classroom Delivery. Not that his classes are fun and games, but you know Todd will keep you interested. "Why not use humor in the classroom?" he asks. "I use humor to open students' minds and make them more comfortable. I'll never go back to dry lectures."

Course requirements for Certificates in EMS

Emergency Medical Technician – Basic

REQUIRED COURSES	CREDITS
EMS 125 EMT Basic	9
EMS 170 EMT Basic Clinical	1
Total Required Credits for Certificate	10

Pre-Paramedic

Note: Pre-paramedic courses fulfill the prerequisites to apply for Paramedic training.

REQUIRED COURSES	CREDITS
BIO 201 Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 202 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
EMS 125 EMT Basic	9
EMS 130 EMT Intravenous Therapy	2
EMS 170 EMT Basic Clinical	1
HPR 178 Seminar: Medical Terminology	1
HPR 190 Basic EKG Interpretation	2
Total Required Credits for Certificate	23

STUDENT PROFILE

Carlos Rodriguez, NREMT-B



Carlos, 31, was a biology teacher at a university in Mexico City before arriving in the United States. He also worked in emergency medical services in Mexico, so he had quite a bit of experience before entering Boulder County's EMS Program. "I'm trying to get the most knowledge

I can to set myself up for the future," he says. He would like to be a nurse in an emergency room and a paramedic for a fire department. While continuing his studies to become a nurse, Carlos also volunteers for the Mountain View Fire Protection District (he also graduated from the district's fire academy). Carlos received the Vice President's Award for Service and a State Student Advisory Council Rising Star Award in 2007. His commitment to service extends to the community as a translator for a domestic-violence shelter.



GET STARTED!

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