

Coursework:

How much time outside of the classroom should be dedicated for the accelerated course?

- Students report spending approximately **one hour** outside of the classroom for each hour in the classroom. This accounts for most of the rest of the week, however with the accelerated pace of the class, students should plan to dedicate their focus to becoming an EMT for the 12 weeks they are in class.
- Students are provided study guides, graphic organizers, podcasts, and practice tests to help target studying and guide students through the learning process.
- Time outside of class can fluctuate based on the student's previous knowledge of anatomy, physiology, and medical terminology.

How much time outside of the classroom should be dedicated for the hybrid course?

- Students report spending **4-5 hours** preparing for each of the In-Person sessions that take place on Fridays.
- The majority of studying happens prior to the In-Person sessions, and students should follow the schedule to keep up with the fast-moving class.
- The In-Person sessions for the hybrid class are an overview of the content and provide opportunities for the students to dive deeper into the topics that the textbook and other study resources cover.
- Students are provided study guides, videos, podcasts, and practice tests to help target studying and guide students through the learning process.
- Time outside of class can fluctuate based on the student's previous knowledge of anatomy, physiology, and medical terminology.

How many exams are there in the class?

- There are 6 unit exams, a practice final exam, and a final exam.
- Students are also required to complete the skills portfolio, practice quizzes, and ride along shifts for successful course completion.
- The passing scores and grading policy will be shared with you during online orientation and are listed in the course policy manual.

Is it possible for me to work or take other classes while taking the EMT Course?

- Our hybrid course is designed for working professionals and those taking classes during the day. While the course will take time both in class and outside of the class

studying, many students are successful in the hybrid course while working and taking classes.

Attendance

What is the attendance policy for the Online/Hybrid course?

- Hybrid students are required to be in class for the scheduled dates of the course. Absences exceeding 8 hours (2 days) may result in the student being ineligible for course completion. Absences exceeding this result in the student being ineligible for course completion.

How will my attendance be verified?

- For onsite courses, students will sign in at the beginning of each session. For online courses, attendance is monitored through sign in and active participation.

Ride-along information

Where do I complete my ride along shifts?

- Ride along shifts are completed with several high-performing affiliated ambulance agencies throughout the Methodist Hospitals coverage area. We work with agencies throughout IDHS District 1 & 4, which offers students the opportunity to choose an agency near where they want to complete their ride along shifts.
- Minimum requirements include 48 hours and 10 patient contacts. You will receive more information on this once the course has started and your prerequisite paperwork has been completed.

How much time do I have to complete my ride along shifts?

- You have 30 calendar days to complete your ride time prior to the last day of class to complete your ride along shifts and submit the required paperwork.

Is there a uniform required for ride along shifts?

- Students are to wear required attire, name badge, neatly trimmed facial hair, hair that is longer than shoulder length needs to be pulled back, and a wristwatch. You may wear your department uniform for ride along.

- During the classroom portion, students need to be dressed appropriately to perform all skill activities conducted in class.

Certification and job placement

When can I take the National Registry Exam (NREMT) certifying test?

- The skill exam portion of the NREMT is completed within 2 weeks of the final day of class.
- You may schedule the cognitive examination after you have successfully completed the program.
 - You may apply for certification testing by creating an account and completing the online application at www.nremt.org.
 - This application will be verified by the EMT Program Director.
 - You will receive more information on this during the course.

What do I do after I pass the National Registry exam?

- You can then apply for certification from the State of Indiana which is done by the Local EMS Agency.

Is my license good in other states?

- EMTs must be licensed within the state where they take the initial EMT course. Upon becoming Indiana State certified, an EMT may apply for reciprocity in another state. Most states recognize the NREMT but may require additional documentation or fees.

Do you offer job placement?

- While we do not offer specific job placement, however, do offer all students a comprehensive career board with local agencies' information.

Contact information

Whom should I contact if I have other questions?

- Prospective students may contact our Program Director, Tom Fentress, at his office 219-881-3715 or email him at tfentress@methodisthospitals.org