

CLEVELAND CLINIC AKRON GENERAL • PARAMEDIC EDUCATION PROGRAM

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A Career as a Paramedic

Cleveland Clinic Akron General Paramedic Education Program offers a new paramedic class every fall (early September). The classes are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5:45 PM -9:30 PM. Twelve hours of clinical experience are required each week bringing the total time commitment for the program to approximately thirty hours per week. Total didactic, clinical and field internship hours are approximately 900+ hours. The schedule includes a few Saturdays throughout the program and approximately eight different daytime commitments (example: ACLS, PALS, ITLS). Total hours may vary for each student based upon clinical competencies obtained.

The current program tuition is \$5,400.00 and is payable in three equal installments due the first night of class in: September, January, and March. All textbooks are currently included in the tuition. The current State/National Registry fee of \$125.00 is payable by the student at time of registration for the computer based testing (beginning of May). The student or student's sponsor is responsible for obtaining/providing liability insurance upon acceptance into the program. There are two additional educational fees. The first is a fee of approximately \$84.00 payable by the student when signing into Fisdap, the Clinical Skills and Scheduler Program utilized. The second fee is approximately \$97.50 that is payable by the student for an EMS Testing account. More information will be provided near the beginning of class for each of these.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

The Applicant must meet the following requirements and submit copies of the below listed documents and application to the paramedic office no later than Tuesday, July 2, 2019.

- At least 18 years of age
- Hold a valid Ohio Driver's License (**copy with application**)
- Hold a current AHA, ASHI, or ARC BLS Healthcare Provider Card (**copy with application**)
- Have certification as an EMT in Ohio or have National Registry EMT and actively seeking and obtaining Ohio reciprocity by the start of class. (**copy with application**)
- A **current** picture of yourself for identification purposes (2x2, wallet, snapshot) - No PHOTO COPIES
- **Completed** Application
- Official High School Transcript or Equivalent (G.E.D.) and College Transcripts – (**sent to the program by the applicant's high school and college**). (**Must be submitted to office before the interview process, July 15—17, 2019**)
- Two *Letter of Recommendation Forms*, one to be completed by your EMT Instructor, if possible. The other to be completed by either your prehospital service medical director, operations director, work supervisor, or someone that has known you for at least two years (no immediate family members). (**Must be submitted to office before the interview process**).
- Proof of successful completion of Anatomy and Physiology if not listed on required college transcripts. This proof must be in your student file by the first night of class. Information for an online opportunity will be in admission packets.

The application and the above documents will be reviewed for completeness. Applications that are incomplete will not be considered. Letters will be emailed confirming your registration a few weeks before the pre-entrance exam date.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Pass the pre-entrance exam. \$10.00 fee due the night of the pretest, subject to change.
- Pass a personal interview by the Student Selection Committee. Interviews will be held July 15—17, 2019.
- CCAG PME requires all students within the program to provide professional medical liability insurance at a rate of one million per occurrence. Information on obtaining this low cost protection will be provided upon admission into the program.
- Personal Health History and Physician Physical Exam (Forms will be distributed in Acceptance Packet).
- **Documentation of Immunization History will be required.** (Immunization Record Form will be distributed in Acceptance Packet).
- Hepatitis B series and Current Flu Season vaccinations are required.
- 10 Panel Urine Toxicology Screen is required. (Must be current within one year of start of class)

PRE-ENTRANCE EXAM:

- The Pre-Entrance Exam will be held on July 9, 2019 and is an approximate four hour process that consists of: 100 Multiple Choice EMT exam based on the DOT EMT Curriculum, Scholastic Level Exam, Math Exam, and Reading Comprehension Exam.
There is a \$10.00 fee due the night of the pretest, subject to change. (Cash or Money Order Only). No Personal Checks Accepted.

The Program is based on the Department of Transportation National Standard Paramedic Curriculum. Upon successful completion, you will be eligible to take the National Registry certification examination. Clinical affiliations with other hospitals including: Barberton Citizens Hospital, Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron, and Cleveland Clinic Medina. Advanced Life Support field internship is obtained through Akron Fire, Barberton Fire Department, Cuyahoga Falls Fire, Rittman Fire/EMS, Medina Life Support Team, Stow Fire, City of Canton Fire and the student's ALS affiliation if approved by the program.

Thank you for your interest in our program. If you have further questions, please contact the Paramedic Education office at 330-344-6655 during business hours 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday.