

Presenting on Emergency Medical Technician at the PMED Elective on Friday, September 17th:

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Notes: Mr. Miller confirmed that paramedic training and work in Emergency Medical Services is excellent preparation for advanced study in any healthcare profession. Also discussed that emergency medicine is a rewarding profession and that CU offers a variety of programs, including a BS degree in EMS. He explained that EMTs will get early and consistent hands on patient care opportunities. Also stated that a student could complete the basic EMT course regardless of whether they pursue further employment in the field. He indicated that EMTs, in addition to primary opportunities with ambulance services and in ERs, are also often hired to do work that is essentially like that of CNAs, phlebotomists, or sometimes even fulfill roles of medical technicians in a variety of settings. For more information, please contact Mr. Miller or go to the Creighton EMS site at: <http://www.creighton.edu/ems/> (note: this site also contains information about CPR classes)

EMT COURSE AT CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY

This course is offered to anyone who wants to provide emergency medical care with an EMS service, fire department, or other healthcare setting. The curriculum provides for an early and continuing emphasis on patient assessment as well as reinforcement of the basic sequence of emergency care procedures. Currently, the EMT-Basic course follows the U.S. Department of Transportation Basic EMT curriculum, and consists of approximately 120 classroom hours in addition to performing 5 patient assessments in the field. Beginning in January 2011, the U.S. Department of Transportation EMT curriculum will require approximately 138 classroom hours in addition to performing ten patient assessments in the field.

Upcoming Course Dates in Creighton University EMS Education:

January 13 - May 5, 2011, Afternoon Class, Tues/Thurs, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

January 13 - May 5, 2011, Evening Class, Tues/Thurs, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

May 17 - August 11, 2011, Evening Class Tues/Thurs, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

"The EMS profession is expanding rapidly to include numerous aspects of patient care in addition to emergency management. While EMTs and paramedics have been, and will continue to be, the backbone of our nation's 9-1-1 rescue system, many exciting new opportunities exist for career growth.

Emergency Medical Services play a vital role today in public safety. EMS will continue to grow and gain in stature, as recognized experts in the following areas are sorely needed across the nation:

- *community health training*
- *disaster response*
- *terrorism*
- *mass casualty prevention*
- *preparation and mitigation management*
- *humanitarian assistance*
- *injury and illness prevention*
- *primary care*
- *emergency department care plus, many other areas of public service.*

As the field continues to grow and change, leaders and educators with a background in emergency medicine are needed more than ever to help shape the future of Emergency Medical Services." <http://www.creighton.edu/ems/options/outlook/index.php>