

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) save lives and make critical decisions by responding to emergency medical calls. This is a fast-paced, high-energy program and we expect you to utilize those characteristics when you exit the program. EMS graduates are detail-oriented, empathetic, compassionate, systematic, and can be authoritative and directive.

Motlow has a wide variety of options for first responder jobs in high demand. Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) and Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians (AEMT) are first responders. EMT graduates traditionally proceed to the AEMT certificate. Many then advance to become Paramedics.

EMT and AEMT students can complete a program in one semester each, while Paramedic students can complete a program in three semesters. EMS graduates are eligible to sit for their National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) cognitive and psychomotor examinations. Successful completion of these exams is recognized by the TN Division of Emergency Medical Services for State Licensure. Both EMT and AEMT have many hours of Lab as well as Clinical experience obtained in the field with currently licensed EMTs and Paramedics.

Certificates are programs of study that vary in length and prepare you for occupational employment.

EMT Certification

This program prepares you to earn your EMT Basic Certificate. Requirements vary by area of study. EMT has 96 hours of clinical experience.

Advanced EMT Certification

This program prepares you to earn your AEMT Certificate. Requirements vary by area of study. AEMT has 120 hours of clinical experience.

Paramedic Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) or Certification

A paramedic is the highest level of EMT currently taught at Motlow State. Paramedics receive well over 1,000 hours of training. A Paramedic is an emergency medical professional whose primary focus is to provide advanced emergency medical care for critical and emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. At Motlow, you can earn your AAS or a Paramedic Certificate.

Reasons to Choose Motlow EMS

- Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). CAAHEP is the largest accreditor in the field of health sciences. Accreditation ensures Motlow students receive the highest quality education and training.
- EMS employers prefer candidates from CAAHEP programs.
- Small class sizes. Our classes average a faculty-to-student ratio of 1-to-8.
- Hands-on teaching is a signature element of our program.
 Students use professional-grade medical technology, train with high-tech patient simulators, and practice and test in high-intensity field experiences.
- Student credentialing for three levels of prehospital emergency care: EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic.
- Faculty are highly trained clinicians with years of field experience.
- The Motlow EMS graduate NREMT pass rate is consistently among the highest in the state. A 93% student retention rate demonstrates the success of our student-faculty partnerships.

Career Opportunities

- Ambulance Paramedic
- Firefighter Paramedic
- Flight Paramedic
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Advanced Emergency Medical Technician
- Private Industry Paramedic
- Emergency Management
- Hospital Technician
- Emergency Room Technician



