Paramedical Technology

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Paramedics provide pre-hospital emergency care to acutely ill or injured patients under medical authority of licensed physicians. Individuals interested in pursuing a career as a paramedic should possess significant strength to lift and carry victims, good use of hands and fingers, good coordination, good judgment and emotional stability, as well as the ability to work confidently under pressure. Students successfully completing the degree requirements and the PMED courses meet the U.S. Department of Transportation National Standards for Paramedics and are eligible to take the National Registry examination required for licensure.

Two primary requirements of the Paramedical Technology program are clinical rotations and the field internship. Clinical rotations provide instruction and supervised practice of emergency medical skills in various units of hospitals within the Anchorage and Mat-Su borough areas. The field internship provides experience in advanced life support vehicles such as ambulances, helicopters, and fixed-wing aircraft. Student interns are the third member of the medical/rescue team and work under the direct supervision of a paramedic preceptor. Internship sites are arranged in various U.S. locations. Efforts are made to place students in geographic locations of their choice; however, intern positions may not be available at all approved sites. Length of internship varies depending on the call volume at the location and successful application of paramedic skills.

The program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSPs).

Program of Study

Associate of Applied Science

- AAS in Paramedical Technology

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