COURSE TITLE: Paramedic III   COURSE NUMBER: EMS 2622

COURSE DESCRIPTION (with prerequisites):
Paramedic III is the Capstone phase of the Paramedic program. This course builds upon the advanced life support knowledge, skills, assessments, treatments, and experiences attained in EMS2620 and EMS2621 with additional advanced level training and certifications. This course prepares the student for state licensure, national certification, and employment as a competent entry-level Paramedic. Lab, clinical, field experience, and Team Leader field internship included.

The goal of the EMS Department is “to prepare competent entry-level Paramedics in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains with or without exit points at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician and/or Emergency Medical Technician, and/or Emergency Medical Responder levels.”

Prerequisites
EMS 2621
12 semester hours credit

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EFFECTIVE ACADEMIC YEAR:
2017-2018

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS:
Required Books and Resources (for all semesters): Contact Chipola Bookstore for prices
- 0134572033  Bledsoe & Cherry, Paramedic Care Vol 1, 5th Edition
• 0134569954  Bledsoe & Porter, Paramedic Care Vol 2, 5th Edition
• 0134538730  Bledsoe & Porter, Paramedic Care Vol 3, 5th Edition
• 0134449746  Bledsoe & Porter, Paramedic Care Vol 4, 5th Edition
• 0134449754  Bledsoe & Porter, Paramedic Care Vol 5, 5th Edition
• 0134572998  MyBradyLab for Paramedic Care Vol 1-5
• 0132921065  Beasley & West, Understanding 12 Lead EKG’s, 3rd Edition
• 013218012X  Bledsoe & Colbert, Essential A&P Emergency Care, 1st Edition
• 0134380991  Walraven, Basic Arrhythmias, 8th Edition
• 0134381742  MyBradyLab for Basic Arrhythmia
• FISDAP: Clinical/Internship Online Tracking (www.FISDAP.net)
• Required Uniform:
  o 2 - Official College polos
  o 2 - Official College t-shirts
  o 2 - Navy blue EMS pants
  o Black belt
  o Black socks
  o Black boots
  o ID Badge
  o Stethoscope
  o Pen Light
  o Trauma Shears
  o Watch with second hand

GRADING POLICY:
The standing of a student in each course is expressed by one of the following letters
and corresponding grading system:

A – 90 – 100
B – 80 – 89
C – 75 – 79
D – 60 – 74
F – 59 - 0

The Health Sciences Department requires students to maintain a minimum grade of 75.
Students must have a non-rounded unit exam grade of 75 or above to progress in the
EMS program.

The Chipola Catalog provides policies and procedures regarding the grading system. A
student’s Grade Point Average is derived from the grading system/quality point scale.

ATTENDANCE AND WITHDRAWAL POLICIES:
Chipola College expects regular attendance of all students, and all instructors record
attendance daily. Students who are absent from classes for any reason other than official
college activities must satisfy the instructor concerned that the absence was due to illness
or other clearly unavoidable reasons. Otherwise, the student may suffer grade loss at the
discretion of the instructor. Chipola policy allows each instructor to specify in the
Instructor First Day Handout whether or not an absence is excusable and what affect the absence or tardy may have on the grade.

A student is allowed to repeat a course a maximum of three (3) times. **On the third attempt a student (1) must bear the full cost of instruction (unless waived by Student Services), (2) cannot withdraw, and (3) must receive a grade.**

**MAKE-UP POLICY:**
Chipola allows each instructor to specify in the Instructor First Day Handout the makeup policy.

**ACADEMIC HONOR CODE POLICY:**
Students are expected to uphold the Academic Honor Code. Chipola College’s Honor Code is based on the premise that each student has the responsibility to (1) uphold the highest standards of academic honesty in his/her own work; (2) refuse to tolerate academic dishonesty in the college community; and (3) foster a high sense of honor and social responsibility on the part of students. Further information regarding the Academic Honor Code may be found in the Chipola Catalog, Student Governance section.

**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES POLICY:**
Chipola College is committed to making all programs and facilities accessible to anyone with a disability. Chipola’s goal is for students to obtain maximum benefit from their educational experience and to effectively transition into the college environment. Students with disabilities are requested to voluntarily contact the Office of Students with Disabilities to complete the intake process and determine their eligibility for reasonable accommodations.

**NOTICE OF EQUAL ACCESS/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND NONDISCRIMINATION:**
Chipola College does not discriminate against any persons, employees, students, applicants or others affiliated with the college with regard to race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, veteran’s status, disability, gender, genetic information, marital status, pregnancy or any other protected class under applicable federal and state laws, in any college program, activity or employment.

Karan Davis, Associate Vice President of Human Resources, Equity Officer and Title IX Coordinator, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446, Building A, Room 183A, 850-718-2205, davisk@chipola.edu.

**LIBRARY AND ON-LINE REFERENCE MATERIALS:**
The library is a comprehensive learning resource center providing information in print, electronic, and multimedia format to support the educational objectives of the College. On-line catalogs, e-books and electronic databases can be accessed by using the LINCCWeb icon on the Chipola Library website at [www.chipola.edu/library](http://www.chipola.edu/library). If you have questions about database usage consult the “How to Use the Chipola Databases” on the Library website or call the Library at 850/718-2274 during regular hours. Library hours are posted each semester at the building entrance and on the Library website.
See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor recommendations and resources.

TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES:
The college’s learning management system is Canvas. Classes become available on Canvas on the first day of the semester. It is the student’s responsibility to log onto the Canvas system the first day of class to establish the first day of attendance and to check announcements. All official class communication must be through Canvas. For further information, contact your instructor or the Director of eLearning. The Canvas support hotline is available online in live chat and on the phone, toll-free, at 855-308-2812 for any issues in accessing or utilizing Canvas. The Technology Center, located in the library, is equipped with computer workstations. Lab hours are posted each semester at the building entrance and on the Library website.

FREE TUTORING RESOURCES:
The Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) Lab, located in Building L, offers free tutoring from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is equipped with computer workstations. ACE lab hours are posted each semester at the room entrance and on the website. Additionally, Chipola College has contracted Smarthinking, a Pearson Company, for online tutoring services, accessible especially from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. and weekends. Smarthinking can be accessed through Canvas.

ELECTRONIC DEVICE USAGE STATEMENT:
Classrooms should be free of all unnecessary distractions from the task of learning. Therefore, as a general rule, students should silence and avoid use of all electronic devices (laptops, phones, tablets, etc.) not being used for coursework. Consult first-day handouts for any specific policies related to the use of electronic devices in the classroom, as they may vary depending upon the nature of the course or the guidelines of the instructor. Faculty reserve the right to regulate the use of electronic devices and their accessories in class.

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:
PMD 1 Integrate complex knowledge of Workforce Safety and Wellness, Roles and Responsibilities/Professionalism of a Paramedic, Clinical Behavior and Judgement, medical/legal and ethical issues within an EMS system, effective interpersonal and therapeutic communication skills with patients and others.

PMD2 Integrates a complex knowledge of anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology to assess and manage emergency patients including: pharmacology, medication administration, respiratory, including maintaining a patent airway, oxygenation, and ventilation to effectively and safely provide advanced emergency medical care to critical medical and/or trauma emergent patients.

PMD3 Establish principles of medical documentation and report writing; including patient assessment, history, comprehensive physical exam, list differential diagnoses, and formulate a treatment plan for critical emergent patients.
PMD4  Integrate a complex knowledge of environmental hazards procedures and multiple causality incidents.

PMD5  Demonstrate complex knowledge and skills required to apply for the state and National Paramedic licensure examination and employment.

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Explain multiple determinants of professional roles and responsibilities of the emergency medical services system as well as emergency medical services system operations.

Exhibit complex knowledge in EMS systems, research, public health initiative, workforce safety and wellness, record keeping, quality improvement, therapeutic communication and medical/legal and ethics.

Identify operational roles and responsibilities to ensure patient, public, and personnel safety in performing emergency care and operational aspects as a pre-hospital care provider.

Develop and demonstrate complex knowledge and application of clinical behaviors and judgement as related to advanced assessment, therapeutic communications, cultural competencies, psychomotor skills, professionalism, decision-making, record keeping, patient complaints and differential diagnoses, scene safety, and leadership in performing advanced emergency medical care to critical medical and/or trauma emergent patients.

Apply complex knowledge relative to the multiple determinants of professional roles and responsibilities of the emergency medical services system as well as emergency medical services system operations.

Utilize complex knowledge of anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, pathophysiology, and lifespan development relative to advanced patient assessment.

Demonstrate complex knowledge of the principles of pharmacology, medication administration, and emergency medications interventions to safely provide advanced emergency medical care to critical medical and/or trauma emergent patients.

Develop and demonstrate complex knowledge and application of patient airway management including oxygen administration, airway adjunct application, intubation, difficult airway, respiration, and artificial ventilation.

Apply scene information to guide advanced emergency medical care to critical emergent patients by using scene size up information, patient findings related to primary and secondary assessment, patient history, using monitoring devices, and reassessment.

Demonstrate critical thinking skills to enhance the ability to analyze and develop the most effective means of caring for age-related patient management of pre-hospital advanced emergency medical care for patients.

Demonstrate complex knowledge and critical thinking skills to guide advanced emergency medical care to critical emergent patients of all age groups and patients with special challenges within the scope of practice of a Paramedic in caring for a medical patient including but not limited to neurologic emergencies, abdominal and gastrointestinal disorders, immunologic emergencies, infectious diseases, endocrine disorders, psychiatric disorders, cardiovascular emergencies, toxicologic emergencies, respiratory emergencies, hematologic emergencies, genitourinary/renal emergencies, gynecological emergencies, obstetrics, non-traumatic musculoskeletal disorders, diseases of the eyes, ears, nose, and throat.

Demonstrate complex knowledge to perform age-related management of shock and resuscitation.

Demonstrate complex knowledge and critical thinking skills to guide advanced emergency medical care to critical emergent patients of all age groups and patients with special challenges within the scope of practice of a Paramedic in caring for a trauma patient including but not limited to bleeding, chest trauma, abdominal/genitourinary trauma, orthopedic trauma, soft-tissue trauma, head, face, neck, and spine trauma, nervous system trauma, special patient population trauma, environmental emergencies, and multi-system trauma.

Demonstrate complex knowledge in the care of special populations to include but not limited to gynecologic/obstetrical, neonatal care, pediatric patients, geriatric patients, and patients with special challenges.

Demonstrate and apply complex and comprehensive knowledge of EMS operations, safety operations of the ground ambulance, lifting and moving patients, vehicle extrication, special rescue, incident management, multiple casualty incidents, air medical operations, hazardous materials awareness, and terrorism response.

Demonstrate complex knowledge and skills of the three domains (cognitive, psychomotor, and affective) to successfully apply for state licensure and employment.

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**Assessment Codes**
MEANS OF ACCOMPLISHING STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

EMS 2622 is the Capstone phase of the Paramedic program. This course builds upon the advanced life support knowledge, skills, assessments, treatments, and experiences attained in EMS2620 and EMS2621 with additional advanced level training and certifications. The theory and skills acquisition is taught in a sequential order initiating with didactic, lab, and progression to clinical/internship. This process encompasses governing standards and principles to ensure the graduate is a competent entry-level paramedic prepared for state and national certification and employment.

Lecture, simulation, and scenarios are the method of instruction. The presentation is enhanced by overhead slides, class demonstrations, skills acquisition, scenario, case studies, board illustrations, and role-play. Students are responsible for all material contained within the assignments. Students should read the text, take lecture notes, complete study assignments and review the online supplemental information in order to prepare for the exams/evaluations. The students’ understanding of the material and familiarity with the terminology will be assessed as well as all previous knowledge, skills, assessments, treatments, and accumulated experiences.

This course prepares the student for state licensure, national certification, and employment as a competent entry-level Paramedic. Lab, clinical, and Team Leader field internship included.

Evaluation Methods:

Chapter Exam 50%
Class Assignments 15%
Skills 10%
Final Exam 25%
Clinical/Internship Pass/Fail (you must successfully complete clinical assignments to be eligible to take the final exam)

Student evaluation/exams will include the cognitive, affective, and psychomotor domains.

Content exams are used to assess materials covered throughout the semester. Content exams can include questions encompassing current topic areas and past subject material. Additionally, exams may be presented to the student in the following forms: multiple choice, fill in the blank, short answer, essay, electronic, skills assessment, patient assessment and management scenarios, simulations, practical demonstrations, and case studies. Make up tests and re-test will be different from the original test given in class and will be administered at the discretion of the director (see EMS handbook for additional information).

Class Assignments can include materials encompassing current topic areas and past subject material. Forms of Class Assignments can include assessments using quizzes, exams, tests, daily assignments, skills assessment, patient assessment and management, scenarios, simulations, practical demonstrations, and case studies.
Quizzes and Class Assignments will be administered at the discretion of the instructor. Only students who are present at the time of the quiz will be eligible to take the quiz. These quizzes are graded in accordance with the grading policy included in this document, unless otherwise specified by the faculty.

Skills Manual Module 8 is to be completed and turned in by the assigned due date.

A comprehensive/cumulative Final Exam will be administered at the end of the semester to determine the level of learning for the student for the entire course. The grading policy included in this document will be utilized in determining pass/fail on the examination. There is no re-examination allowed.

Psychomotor hands-on testing will be conducted during laboratory time to test the student’s ability to recall and apply cognitive, psychomotor, and affective learning into a real world application. Psychomotor testing is strictly a pass/fail grade. If the student fails a psychomotor skill, they will be permitted three (3) attempts including remediation to successfully pass. In the event that the student is unsuccessful; the student is subject to dismissal from the program.

A capstone final written or computerized examination will be administered at the end of the program. The grading policy included in this document will be utilized in determining pass/fail on the examination. There is no re-examination allowed.

A capstone final psychomotor hands-on examination will be conducted at the conclusion of the program. The examination will be conducted in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Department of Health’s Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT). This is a pass/fail examination for each skill station.

Team Lead Internship and Clinical Assignments: Students must successfully complete required internship and clinical assignments and obtain competencies (see EMS Handbook for additional information) set by the program. Each internship and clinical assignment will be evaluated by an on-site preceptor and confirmed by the clinical coordinator/director. Students are required to turn in clinical evaluations and record information in the on-line data-base within 72 hours of the end time of the clinical. If the student receives three (3) “Unsatisfactory” evaluations during the program while at clinical; the student will be subject to dismissal. Required Internship and Clinical Assignments for EMS2622 are as follows:

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<td>Team Leader - EMS</td>
<td>240 hours</td>
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<td>Final: Team Leader - EMS</td>
<td>96 hours</td>
<td>After successful completion of all previous internship requirements</td>
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<td>Physician Shadow</td>
<td>24 hours</td>
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Per Florida Administrative Code, no student shall be subject to “on call” status while attending clinical experiences, field experiences, or field internships nor should a
student be utilized to fulfill a staffing requirement. Furthermore, no student shall be in the patient compartment alone during patient transport.

Appearance Standards: Emergency Medical Service is a professional career and students are expected to dress accordingly. The appearance standards set forth by the program in class, lab, clinical, and internship sites include but not limited to:

- Official College polo is to be worn during normal business hours
- Official College t-shirt may be worn after business hours, at the clinical/internship discretion, or in the event if primary attire becomes soiled
- Navy blue EMS pants
- Black belt
- Solid black socks
- Solid black boots or solid black shoes
- Hats permitted only during internship rotations and are subject to approval first
- Finger nails will be clean and short. No nail polish or “fake” nails.
- Jewelry is limited to single stud earrings, watch, and wedding ring/band. No other visible body piercings are permitted.
- Hair must be maintained in a clean and conservative in fashion. Additionally, no extremes in color or style are permitted and hair must be kept off the collar for safety.
- Facial hair must be neatly trimmed and clean shaven.
- Visible tattoos will be covered.
- Chipola student identification shall be affixed to the student so that it is visible at all times.
- Students shall have their Basic Life Support certification card and State of Florida EMT License (if applicable) on their person.
- Students performing rotations at their place of employment are not permitted to wear their normal duty uniform. All students are required to be readily identifiable to any patient or staff member.
- If an alternate uniform is required by the site, you are permitted to change into that attire. An example of this would be changing into scrubs for your rotations in the operating room.

See EMS Handbook and First Day Handout for other additional information.

ASSIGNMENT AND/OR COURSE OUTLINE

See your Instructor First Day Handout for individual instructor assignment schedule.