

Dear Interested EMT Students,

Welcome to your first exciting step into the world of Emergency Medicine. Thank you for your interest in the EMT 100 course. Our course starts the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January (01/16/18) and is on Tuesday and Thursday Day (12 noon till 4:35 pm) or at Night (5 pm till 9:35 pm). There is also some Mondays classes in the term. These days never change. Student can start enrolling by end of November

- [http://www.losrios.edu/lrc/lrc\\_req.php](http://www.losrios.edu/lrc/lrc_req.php) You should contact the school about financial aid - <http://www.crc.losrios.edu/services/finaid>

The class Clinical or TBA Lab will not start till the 10th week of the semester. Our students attend a 60-hour clinical rotation that puts them at a Trauma Hospital, and on Fire and Private ALS and 911 ambulances. Most EMT training in California only have a 24-hour clinical rotation. If you are waitlisted and/or trying to get into class please show up the first day of class with a copy of your CPR card (see below). Many students get dropped for lacking the required prerequisite. Be advised you must pay the college for the class as soon as you sign up for the class or they will drop you. If you have taken EMT 100 before they also may drop you, but it may still be possible to take the class. Add slips will be given out the first week of class and not before. Most students that show the first-class day with the correct CPR card will get into class. We generally accept all students that show up the first day of class even if they are not registered.

The prerequisite for the class is a valid Healthcare Provider CPR or BLS Provider card or eCard (WE ONLY ACCEPT American Heart Association courses). A first aid card is not required and you should not be taking any CPR classes tied to a First Aid class. You will have till the first Thursday of class to bring in this documentation (must be taken prior to first day of class). Please bring in a copy of the Health Care Provider CPR/ BLS Provider card as soon as class starts. I will need an 8 1/2 x 11 photocopy of your CPR card (CPR Card on same page that is not folded, stapled, or taped) by the deadline. Failure to bring in a copy of your current CPR card will cause you to be dropped from the course. The CPR Card must be less than 2 years from the start date of course. If you are lacking this card or not sure you have the right card please go to the programs website at <http://crcems.us/cpr-training/>.

The liability insurance, uniforms, immunizations, drug screen/background check and Tb testing will be discussed the first week of class and is **NOT required before class starts**. You will need to buy the Malpractice Insurance (\$80.00) by the 2ed week of class. You will also need to purchase (will need Credit/debit card) the Program Uniform of Polo shirt and Medic pants (\$80.00) by the 3rd week of class. Failure to purchase the insurance or buy the uniform will cause you to be dropped from the course. Do not purchase these items prior to the start of class. Details will be discussed the first day of class. The cost of EMT 100 is \$400 to \$500 for all items. Please talk to financial aid prior to the start of the semester because the course has many final deadlines.

You will need to acquire the textbook for class. You will be required to have the most current textbook because the Federal EMT training guidelines have changed in the last few years and you will be responsible to know the new guidelines.

The textbook for the course is Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick, Eleventh Edition – ISBN-13: 9781284080179 . **DO NOT BUY ANY OTHER BOOK OR EDITION.** Must be 11th Edition. You can also use an online textbook at [www.coursesmart.com](http://www.coursesmart.com) (rent for less more than 50% off)

This textbook is available in the college bookstore and online as well. Please be careful about buying used books or books online (**DO NOT BUY ANYTHING BUT THE 11th Edition using the ISBN numbers I provided you because there has been many revisions to this book**). This is a medical class and the material changed significantly over the past year. Please get the textbook as soon as possible (online bookstores take 2-3 weeks to deliver) for the class requires over 1500 pages of reading. You will be required to do 20 to 30 hours of work per week outside the class hours for studying, clinical and skills practice. EMT 100 is a program that requires up to 40 hours per week of time commitment by students. It is strongly encouraged not to take any other classes when you are taking EMT 100.

You will have access to the classes' eLearning after you are enrolled in the class (Canvas) web site about 1 week before class starts. You will be able to access this from the college's main web page under eLearning. This web site will contain more information about the EMT program and you will need to access it multiple times per week once class begins. You must go to the colleges Gmail account and forward the email to your current email address. The syllabus will be on the class Canvas website.

Please start reading your textbook as soon as possible because we will cover the entire 1500-page textbook. You will need to take a test on week 2 of the class that covers the first 6 chapters of the textbook. You will need to get an 80% or above to continue on to receive a course completion for EMT 100. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions (Phone is (916) 412-0981 – no text messages) or [mchughm@crc.losrios.edu](mailto:mchughm@crc.losrios.edu) .

The EMT classroom is T-115 and is on the East side of campus (see the classroom map at <http://www.crcems.us>).

Aloha and see you on the first day of class.

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