

# What If I change my major from Nursing to...

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE** *Health Management Concentration*

### **What is Emergency Medical Care?**

Paramedics and EMTs are the frontline in the ongoing efforts to improve the emergency healthcare delivery systems in America. Paramedics respond to medical and traumatic emergencies, stabilize patients on-scene using state-of-the-art medical technology, and monitor patients during transport to hospitals and trauma centers.

The program requires students to choose a concentration: Clinical Science or Health Services Management.

### **What can I do with a degree in Emergency Medical Care?**

Because of growth in the field, 100% of our graduates have jobs or have secured admission to competitive graduate school programs upon graduation. Graduates of the program move on to a variety of roles including: Paramedic, Shift Supervisor, EMS Instructor, Emergency Services Director, Operations Manager, Rescue Operations Supervisor, and more.

### **How could this program help me pursue applying to an Accelerated BSN program?**

Common pre-requisites for ABSN programs include:

- Chemistry
- Human Nutrition
- Statistics
- Anatomy & Physiology 1 & 2
- Microbiology
- General Psychology

Many of the classes listed above are also required by Emergency Medical Care or can count towards completing this degree.

Paramedics and RNs complete much of the same clinical training and enjoy similar job responsibilities. Further, there are a number of Paramedic-to-RN bridge programs available to those interested in a transition after EMC graduation.

### **What are the Application Requirements for Emergency Medical Care?**

Applications occur once a year. The deadline is always January 15th. Application requirements include:

- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Completion of all pre-professional courses:
  - One semester of Chemistry, BIOL 291 & 292 ('C' or higher), and EMC 240&241 ('C' or higher)
- Students with current state or national EMT certification do not need to take EMC 240/241.

More in-depth information can be found at: **EMC.WCU.EDU**

### **Who can I contact to discuss changing my major to Emergency Medical Care?**

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### **How will my Nursing Coursework count towards Emergency Medical Care?**

To see how nursing pre-requisites can count towards Emergency Medical Care (Health Management), see page 2 of this document.

The 8-semester plan below has been updated from the original to reflect how common pre-requisites completed for Nursing may apply to this program. For more information specific to *you* and the credit *you've* completed, use the contact information provided on page 1.

## Freshman

Fall	Hrs	Accepted from Nursing
First-Year Seminar	3	✓
MATH 101 or Higher (C2)	3	MATH 170 is accepted ✓
CHEM 132 (C5)	4	✓
P1	3	PSY 150 is accepted ✓
P3	3	✓

Spring	Hrs	Accepted from Nursing
ENGL 101	3	✓
HEAL 111, 123, or HSCC 101 (C4)	3	✓
P4	3	✓
P5	3	✓
Elective	3	✓

## Sophomore

Fall	Hrs	Accepted from Nursing
BIOL 291 (C5)	4	✓
ENGL 202 (C1)	3	✓
Elective	3	ENVH 260/261 is accepted ✓
Elective	3	ND 330 is accepted as an elective ✓
P1	3	✓

Spring	Hrs	Accepted from Nursing
BIOL 292	4	✓
Elective	3	NSG 346 is accepted ✓
COMM 201 (C3)	3	✓
P6	3	✓

Summer	Hrs	NOTE: EMC 240/241 are NOT offered at WCU over the summer. Students that need to meet this requirement must do so at an approved Community College.
EMC 240 See note!	4	
EMC 241 See note!	2	

**Admission to program:** Students must formally apply and be admitted before beginning the professional sequence of courses in the junior year. Detailed admission criteria can be found at [EMC.WCU.EDU](http://EMC.WCU.EDU).

## Junior

Fall	Hrs
EMC Concentration Elective (HSCC 318 or 330)	3
HSCC 311 (concentration)	3
EMC 320	3
EMC 321	1
EMC 340	2
EMC 341	1
EMC 351	1
EMC 381	1

Spring	Hrs
EMC 350	2
EMC 352	1
EMC 360	3
EMC 361	1
EMC 370	3
EMC 382	1
EMC 445 (concentration)	3

## Senior

Fall	Hrs
EMC 410	2
EMC 411	1
EMC 420	3
EMC 421	1
EMC 430	1
EMC 451	1
EMC 452	1
EMC 483	3

Spring	Hrs
EMC Concentration Elective (HSCC 330, 440, or 450)	3
EMC 461	1
EMC 485	4
EMC 496	2
HSCC 470	3