



Criti Care

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Primary Care Paramedic Program September 2021

Please note that the September 2021 Primary Care Paramedic Program intake is now closed as all seats are now filled.

The next Primary Care Paramedic Program intake will be for March 2022. The March 2022 application will be posted on our website in September, please see the following pages for a list of program required documents as well as additional program information.



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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Application Form: *Completed in full and returned to Criti Care EMS*
- Application Fee of \$100.00 *CHEQUE or MONEY ORDER (payable to Criti Care EMS)*
- Copy of High School Transcript and Diploma, or Equivalency Certificate
 - (or copies of Post-Secondary or University Degrees and transcripts)

Students applying for admission should have the following high school courses:

- Grade 11 or 12 Biology
- Grade 11 or 12 Chemistry or Physics (General or Advanced)
- Grade 11 or 12 English

For Adult Education Course information for upgrading to meet the above requirements

- <http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/dl/iso/faq.html>

- Copy of your valid Manitoba Class 4 Driver's License (Class 3, 2 or 1 driver's license also accepted)
 - <https://www.mpi.mb.ca/Pages/types-of-licences.aspx>
- Clear Criminal Record Background Check through Winnipeg Police Service or RCMP **(Original Copy)** Dated within 6 months of application (apply early as this check can take 2-3 months)
 - Available through WPS at 245 Smith Street (main entrance off Graham Avenue)
<https://www.winnipeg.ca/police/pr/pic.stm> or your local RCMP detachment.
- Clear Child Abuse Registry Check **(Original Copy)** Dated within 6 months of Application. Available on 1st floor at 777 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg (apply early as this check can take 2-3 months)
 - http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/childfam/child_abuse_registry_form.html
- Clear Adult Abuse Registry Check **(Original Copy)** Dated within 6 months of Application. Available on 1st floor at 777 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg (apply early as this check can take 2-3 months)
 - http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/pwd/adult_abuse_registry.html
- Copy of documentation supporting any indicated training or experience.
- Handwritten Autobiographical Letter (See Admissions Policy)
- Current CPR certification for BLS Provider (formerly known as Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider) issue date within one year of applying
- Immunization Form - Please see the form provided (must be signed and dated by Physician or Healthcare Facility)

ADMISSIONS POLICY

GENERAL

- Start the application process early. Please allow 2-3 months to complete Criminal Record Check and Child & Adult Abuse Registry Checks.
- All required documents must be received before applicants will be considered for interviews, testing or entered into the application process.
- The Primary Care Paramedic Program has a competitive selection process based on a candidate's application and performance on our multiple mini interviews and testing selection process. Criti Care does not maintain a waitlist for acceptance into the Paramedic Program. We will accept applications until the posted application deadline, then interview and test those applicants who have submitted all required documents and meet all pre-requisites.
- The Primary Care Paramedicine Program is taught at a university level, therefore it is incumbent upon the applicant to understand that the minimum qualifications set out herein reflects the academic background which we believe necessary to complete the program. Successful completion of this program requires meeting a high academic standard, successful field precepting, coupled with aptitude, diligent study, and effort.

APPLICATION CRITERIA

Education -

- High school
 - One senior level credit in Biology (Grade 11 or Grade12)
 - One senior level credit in Chemistry or Physics (Grade 11 or Grade12)
 - One senior level credit in English (Grade 11 or Grade12)

Please also submit any recognized post-secondary education

- Manitoba Class 4 Driver's license (see <https://www.mpi.mb.ca/Pages/types-of-licences.aspx>)
- Original Copy of Criminal Record Check (dated within 6 months of application)
- Original Copy of Adult & Child Abuse Registry Check (dated within 6 months of application)
- Handwritten Autobiographical Letter (see instructions below)
- Current certification for BLS Provider (Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider)
- Confirmation of Immunizations including confirmation of full vaccination for Covid-19 (copy of QR code or record of immunization). See Immunization Verification form below.
- Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident

**CRITI CARE EMS – PARAMEDIC ACADEMY APPLICATION
IMMUNIZATION VERIFICATION**

Applicant's Name (please print) _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy) _____/_____/_____

Verification of either inoculation for the following OR laboratory testing confirming the presence of antibodies specific to the following diseases that would render appropriate immunity:

- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Tdap Adult Dose (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis)
- VARICELLA (Chicken Pox)
- INFLUENZA (Recommended)
- POLIO (Recommended)
- HBV (Hepatitis B Vaccine) OR Hepatitis A & B Vaccine Combination

- Initial Injection Date: _____
- 1 Month Follow Up Dose Date: _____
- 5 – 6 Month Final Booster Date: _____

TUBERCULOSIS:
Confirmation of either

- Negative 2 Step PPD (Mantoux) skin test for Tuberculosis
- Negative Chest X-ray for Tuberculosis (developed < 1year ago)

COVID-19:
Please provide a copy of your QR code or record of immunization along with this Immunization form in your application.

**Physician's Name
(or other designated Healthcare Professional)**

Signature

Date of Affirmation

Name of Facility/Clinic



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PLEASE RETAIN FOLLOWING PAGES FOR YOUR RECORDS

Program Tuition

It is our policy to ensure that each student is aware of all tuition and material costs associated with their studies. The following are the current total program fees for Primary Care Paramedic Program.

PROGRAM FEES paid on registration:

• Tuition Payment	\$ 5,900.00
• Resource Package (Textbooks, Stethoscope, Blood Pressure Cuff & Uniform)	\$ 1,611.05
• Clinical, EVOC & Technology Fee (Malpractice Insurance /Clinical Fees, Emergency Vehicle Operations, CompTracker Fees)	\$ 860.00
• MSA Advantage Mask, Fit Testing & Extra Cartridges	\$ 85.00
• Gov. Manitoba Education & Training, Training Completion Fund	\$ 59.00
Full Payment Total	\$ 8,515.05

PARAMEDIC UNIFORM INCLUDES

- Two Uniform Pants
- Two Uniform Shirts
- One Pair EMS Footwear (boots)
- EMS Hi-Vis 3 in 1 Jacket
- Two EMS T-Shirts
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Uniform Cresting
- One Identification Card

*** Students must wear designated Paramedic uniform for all sections of training.** Students will be sized for uniforms during the program orientation and registration.

A NOTE REGARDING: CLINICAL PRACTICUM

- Costs associated with travel and accommodations during ambulance internship / clinical practicum will be the responsibility of the student
- Students are recommended to budget up to approximately **\$2,000.00** for out of pocket costs associated with the ambulance internship. (travel, accommodations, food, etc.)
- While most Clinical Practicum sites are based in Manitoba, there are also sites based in the United States. Currently due to COVID-19 we are not placing students at our U.S. partner sites. Criti Care will be re-evaluating this situation on an on-going bases and when it is safe to resume placements at our U.S. partner sites we will notify our student groups and resume U.S. placements. Therefore, travel to the United States may be required in the PCP program.

All students will be required to have the following for the duration of the program for electronic competency tracking (CompTracker):

- Apple iPad Mini (running the latest iOS version is recommended). An iPad can also be used but the preferred device is the iPad mini

Or

- Android Tablet (Example: Samsung Galaxy Tablet). Android tablets must currently support Android Operating Systems (5.0 or greater).

CLINICAL PRACTICUMS

The Primary Care Paramedicine Program is designed to provide students with a breadth of clinical experience. Students will attend EMS ambulance sites, community EMS sites, as well as the Emergency Department, Operating Room, and Post-Anesthesia Recovery.

Students are afforded the opportunity to experience a wide variety of patient encounters as well as exposure to different EMS system models, including public municipal EMS, private municipal EMS, hospital based EMS, rural EMS, and Fire-EMS integrated systems. All EMS field precepting takes place in services with which we have precepting and training agreements, including in Winnipeg, rural Manitoba, and some at sites in the United States.

It is entirely the student's responsibility to gain lawful entry into the United States for purposes of participating in assigned precepting and training. Neither Criti Care, nor those hospital, EMS and firefighter services with which we have precepting agreements have any control over who may be allowed entry to the U.S., nor the means to predetermine who may or may not be allowed entry. Students who are aware of a personal circumstance that may prevent them from lawfully entering the United States should seek independent, professional advice.



Physical Fitness Assessment and Counseling

ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN ADMITTED INTO THE PARAMEDICINE PROGRAM, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A PHYSICAL FITNESS ASSESSMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA.

Note this assessment will be scheduled AFTER you are accepted into the Program. The following is provided for information only:

Paramedic Physical Fitness Assessment

Policy and Procedure:

A Paramedic Job Related Physical Fitness Assessment is done as part of the Criti Care EMS Primary Care Paramedic Program Enrolment. The testing is done by the University of Manitoba Faculty of Kinesiology and Recreation Management. All students enrolled in the Paramedic Program must complete the testing and return a copy of the completed testing certificate to Criti Care EMS prior to the start of the Paramedic Program. The testing is done for counseling purposes related to suitability for a career as a Paramedic. The university will provide counseling in any tested area that candidate has not demonstrated satisfactory performance in to allow the candidate to improve their abilities.

Additional Information:

Please go to: http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/kinrec/recreationservices/occupation_paramedic.html for additional information about the physical testing and the scheduling of testing.