



*Critt Care*

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## An Extraordinary Career Demands Extraordinary Training

As practicing professionals in the field, our staff at Critt Care understand the high level of training paramedics require in order to meet the challenges they face in a fast paced and demanding environment. That is why, when it comes to the quality of training we provide there is no room for compromise. Our comprehensive and world class training gets the very best out of our students and we have over 25 years of history producing some of the very best paramedics in the province to prove it.



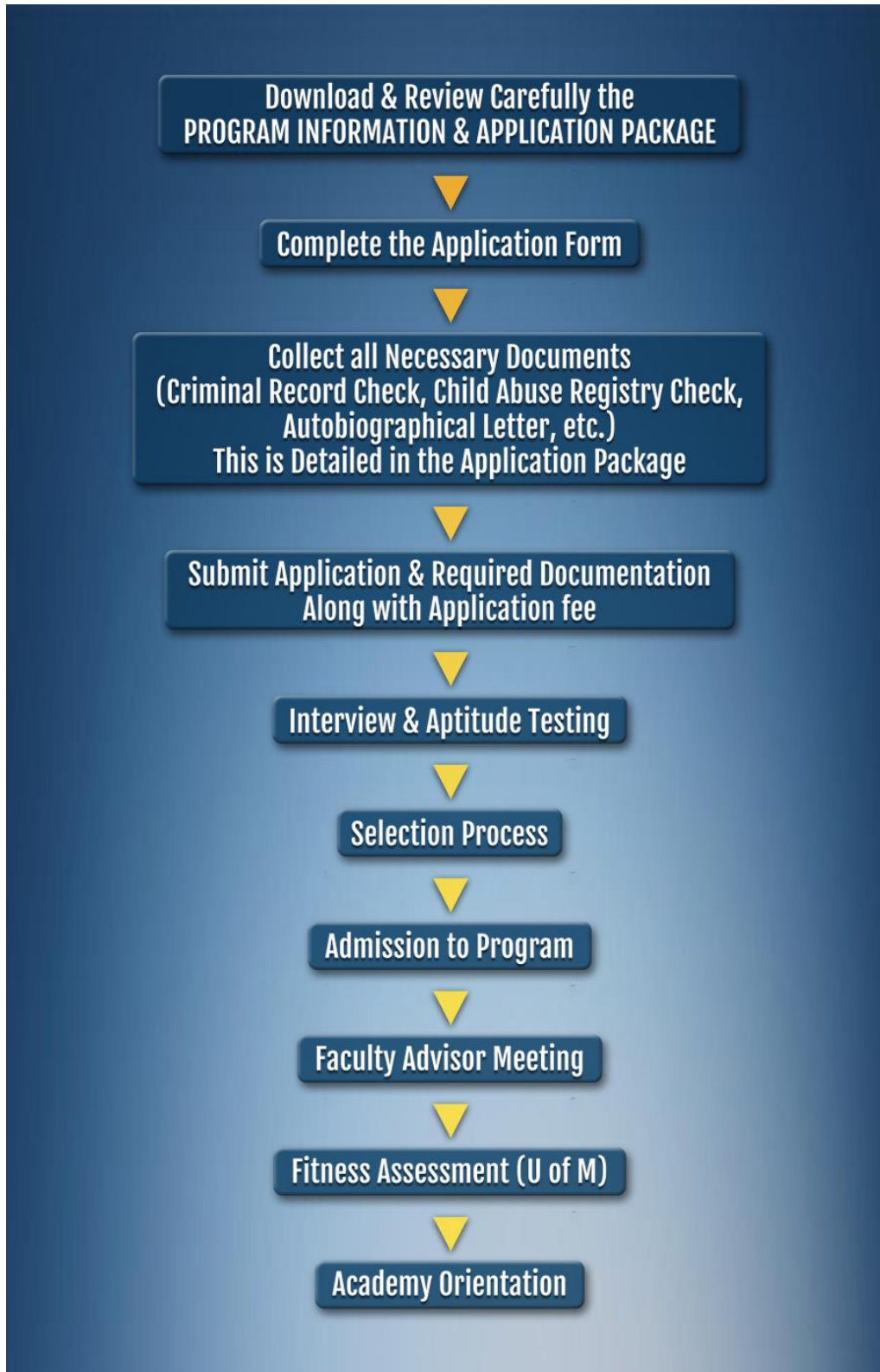
The Paramedic must be a confident leader who can accept the challenge and high degree of responsibility entailed in the position. The Paramedic must have excellent judgment, be able to prioritize decisions, act quickly in the best interest of the patient, be self-disciplined, develop patient rapport, interview challenging patients and maintain safety. The Paramedic must be able to recognize and utilize communication unique to diverse multicultural groups and ages within those groups as well as being able to function independently at an optimum level in a non-structured environment that is constantly changing.

## Are you ready for the Challenge?

You will find the following information and documents in this application package:

- [Overview of the Application Process and Admission Steps](#)
- [Admissions Policy: criteria, prerequisites, general requirements and guide to completing your application](#)
- [Primary Care Paramedicine Application Form](#)
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- [Career information – roles, responsibilities, characteristics, licensing and employment](#)

## Overview of the Application Process and Admission Steps





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## 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 (see form at [www.criticareems.com](http://www.criticareems.com))
- Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL LETTER**

*Handwritten* autobiographical letter (2 pages, single spaced) outlining how/when the candidate has demonstrated characteristics or attributes such as: Commitment, dedication, critical thinking and decision making, accountability, professionalism, conflict resolution, overcoming adversity, public service.

## **ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED**

- Previous academic achievements
- Score on Scholastic Achievement Test (administered at time of interview)
- Interviews which includes exploring the candidate's:
  - Research into field of Paramedicine
  - Knowledge of role/responsibilities of a Paramedic
  - Steps they have taken in preparing for admission to the program
  - Factors in their life they feel may be a barrier to success
  - Personal characteristics they feel would enhance their ability to be a Paramedic
  - The interviews will also evaluate the applicant's personal characteristics (non-cognitive attributes) important for success in Paramedicine and health sciences setting including Ethics, Accountability, Communication, Critical Reasoning Skills and Empathy. This interview method may also provide an opportunity for applicants to apply general knowledge and personal experiences to issues relevant to the society in which they live and the health care systems in which they hope to work.



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**PRIMARY CARE PARAMEDICINE PROGRAM**

**APPLICATION FORM**

**MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 SESSION**

***APPLICATION DEADLINE MONDAY, JANUARY 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 BY 4:00 PM***

***NAME (please print):***

\_\_\_\_\_  
*SURNAME*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*GIVEN NAMES*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*BIRTHDATE (Day/Month/Year)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*MANITOBA HEALTH PHIN (9 digits)*

***MAILING ADDRESS AND CONTACT INFORMATION:***

\_\_\_\_\_  
*MAILING ADDRESS (# AND STREET OR BOX NUMBER)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*CITY*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*PROVINCE*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*POSTAL CODE*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*CELL PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*HOME PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*E-MAIL ADDRESS*

**EDUCATION / PREVIOUS TRAINING:**

Highest Level of Education Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/Diploma (Institution/Date/Program) \_\_\_\_\_

Other training (e.g. EMR, Firefighter) SPECIFY (may attach separate sheet)

Program \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Program \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK BOX if you a member of the Canadian Armed Forces

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**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH CSL/STUDENT AID/EI:**

Have you applied for or are you considering funding through **Employment Insurance / Canada Student Loans / MB Student Aid** Yes  No

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**THIS APPLICATION IS FOR THE MARCH 2020 COHORT -**

**COURSE START DATE:** **March 22, 2021** – (Full Time)

**COURSE COMPLETION:** Estimated **December 2021** (date may change due to clinical rotation scheduling and completion of required clinical competencies by individual student)

**COURSE LOCATION:** Didactic/simulation: Criti Care EMS Education Centre (200 Osborne Street North). Clinical placements – various locations in Manitoba and United States.

**CLASS TIME:** Typically 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Selection for admission into the Primary Care Paramedicine Program is a competitive process. Applicants will be evaluated based on information contained in their application form, submitted transcripts and required documents, previous education or training, a scholastic level exam and interviews.

Interviews and testing will be conducted on **January 15<sup>th</sup> & February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (please note these testing dates are tentative and subject to change)**. Applicants must be available for interviews and testing.

All applicants will be notified by mail by the end of February, 2021 regarding their admission status. Accepted candidates will attend orientation and registration session in **March 2021**.

- **I understand that my application will not be accepted for processing until the application form has been completed in its entirety.**
- **A true copy (or where required, originals or certified copies) of all required documents are enclosed**
- **The non-refundable application fee of \$100.00 is enclosed**
- **Withdrawal Policy: Withdrawal of application requires written notice forwarded to our Headquarters. There is no refund of application fee.**

I hereby affirm that all information provided, including this completed application, and all documents tendered in support of my application to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

DATE OF APPLICATION	APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE
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**APPLICATION MAY BE SENT BY MAIL TO:**

**CRITI CARE EMS  
200 Osborne Street North  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
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**MARK ENVELOPE "PARAMEDIC APPLICATION"**



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## **APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

- Application Form: *Completed in full and returned to Crite Care EMS by **January 11, 2021***
  - Application Fee of \$100.00 *CHEQUE or MONEY ORDER (payable to Crite 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](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)



# 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) \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/

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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)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**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.*

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**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
<b>Full Payment Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,515.05</b>

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**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.

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### **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](http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/kinrec/recreationservices/occupation_paramedic.html) for additional information about the physical testing and the scheduling of testing.

Please note that the Physical Fitness Testing by the University of Manitoba is currently unavailable due to COVID-19. As soon as they resume testing, we will notify accepted students and provide the testing information package and booking information to complete the physical fitness test.