

# Emergency Medical Responder Course Schedule

## Introduction to Healthcare Science – 2 semesters.

Introduction to Healthcare Science is a foundations course for the Emergency Medical Responder Pathway. It is appropriate for students wishing to pursue a career in the Healthcare Industry. The course will enable students to receive initial exposure to Healthcare Science skills and attitudes applicable to the healthcare industry. The concepts of health, wellness, and preventative care are evaluated, as well as, ethical and legal responsibilities of today's healthcare provider. Fundamental healthcare skills development is initiated including medical terminology, microbiology, and basic life support.

## Essentials of Healthcare – 2 semesters.

Prerequisite: Intro to Healthcare Science

*\*This course counts as a 4th science credit. Students earning credit in this course also get an addition unit in Human Anatomy and Physiology.*

This class is designed to provide an overall framework of basic skills utilized in the provision of direct client care. Monitoring and evaluating client status includes assessment techniques such as vital signs, as well as, the application of mathematical concepts appropriate to clinical expectations and/or work-based learning. The function and fundamental pathophysiology of each body system is evaluated prior to community first aid and basic life support techniques which are expanded to include rescue skills for infants and children.

## Emergency Medical Responder

Prerequisites: Introduction to Healthcare Science and Essentials of Healthcare

Emergency Medical Responder is the third course in the pathway. The Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) course prepares the student to provide initial stabilizing care to the sick or injured prior to the arrival of Emergency Medical Services Professionals (EMS), and to assist EMS personnel in transporting patients for definitive care at an appropriate hospital/facility. Major areas of instruction include Introductory Medical Terminology and Anatomy & Physiology; Responder Safety; Incident Command; Blood-borne Pathogen Training; Basic Physical Assessment; Treatment of Trauma and Medical Emergencies; Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and the use of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs). The course is a blend of lecture, hands on lab/learning, and practical scenario-based learning/testing.