



Emergency Medical Technician

PREPARING YOU TO SAVE LIVES

Be the Difference When Seconds Matter

Get the hands-on training you need to answer the call. Our program is approved by the Alameda County Emergency Medical Services Agency and led by instructors authorized by the state Fire Marshal, and makes it easy to qualify for your Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) certificate—which is essential for ambulance personnel, paramedic training, and some fire department entry exams. Learn critical skills in patient assessment, ventilation, circulation, and emergency care, and experience what it feels like to make a real life-or-death difference. Start an exciting career as an EMT—enroll today!

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HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS - GET A HEAD START WITH DUAL ENROLLMENT!

Talk to a Counselor for more information.

EMT 230 Emergency Medical Responder

2 units

1

Certificate of Proficiency (CP)

EMT 211 Emergency Medical Technician—Basic

6 units

2



Paramedic Training and Education

3

Prior to enrollment in EMT 211, a student must:

- Be at least 16 years of age AND certified in CPR for Professional Rescuers (Red Cross), OR CPR for Healthcare Providers (Red Cross), OR ProCPR.
- Take a TB skin test before the first day of class (completed within six months of class start, with verification to be provided by the last day to add classes for that term).
- Have completed the first two Hepatitis B shots before the first day of class.

DID YOU KNOW?

IN CALIFORNIA, 8/10 EMTS
ARE TRAINED AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

Source: cccgoe.org/fast-facts/



EMT Certification is:



Essential for ambulance personnel



A prerequisite for paramedic training



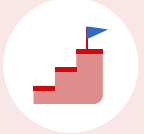
Required for some fire departments entry exams

Nationally Ranked Career

Emergency Medical Technicians are ranked among the **top careers nationwide** for job openings and growth through 2032.

High demand. Fast growth. Real impact.

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Get Certified with Confidence!

Merritt College offers both on-campus and off-campus EMT Basic Training programs, approved by the Alameda County EMS Agency and aligned with California State Fire Training. Led by State Fire Marshal-approved instructors, the program includes essential hands-on skills training, a final exam, and a written test (80% passing score required).

Frontline Heroes: What EMTs Do

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) provide critical, life-saving care in emergency situations, responding to 911 calls, assessing patients, and administering immediate medical treatment. They stabilize individuals experiencing medical emergencies, transport patients to healthcare facilities, and communicate vital information to hospital staff to ensure seamless care. In California, demand for EMTs continues to grow, with thousands of new openings each year due to expanding healthcare needs and emergency response services.



EMTS EARN A MEDIAN YEARLY WAGE OF:

\$46,920

in San Francisco, Oakland, Hayward, CA Metro Area

\$45,110

in California

\$38,930

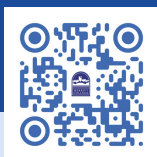
in the United States





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Merritt College puts students first.

For decades, it has stood at the intersection of social justice, community empowerment, and career-focused education—expanding opportunity for underrepresented communities and supporting pathways into meaningful, living-wage careers. Whether you're switching professions, building new skills, or aiming for a promotion, Merritt's Career Education programs help you reach your goals through hands-on training, immersive career exploration, and support tailored to every student—especially working adults.

Our programs prepare students for licensure and certifications with strong pass rates and are aligned with high-demand jobs in the Bay Area and beyond. It's never been easier to complete a certificate, earn an Associate's degree, or prepare to transfer to a CSU or other four-year university. With flexible class times—morning, evening, and online—and services like counseling, the Learning Center, EOPS, and Student Accessibility Services (SAS), Merritt meets you where you are.



Meet with a Counselor early and often!

Whether you're enrolling in classes, exploring career options or navigating personal challenges, Counselors have your back! Counselors are available through scheduled appointments, remote drop-ins, and e-counseling (for specific needs).



Visit merritt.edu/counseling/ to learn more, or contact a dedicated Career Education Counselor at MCCareerEd@peralta.edu