Welcome to The College of Southern Idaho Paramedic Program

Orientation / Introduction

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- Websites
- Department policies
- Course policies
- Required paperwork
- Required equipment
- CSI resources
- Tour of Aspen

2 Important CSI Websites

- http://www.csi.edu/paramedic
- http://blackboard.csi.edu/webapps/login

Department Policies

- CSI Handbook - College policies
- Program Handbook - Rules for all EMS courses
- Back page must be signed and returned to program manager...this confirms that you have read, understand, and will adhere to all department policies

Course Policies

- Information specific to PARA 101, PARA 101L and PARA 101C will all be included in the Course Syllabus.

Required Paperwork

- CPR card - AHA Healthcare Provider or ARC Professional Rescuer
- Physical Form – complete
- Immunization Form
- Student information Form
- State of Idaho EMT or National Registry certification
- Drug Screen and Background Check
- Proof of Health Insurance Coverage
Required Books/Materials
- Brady Paramedic Essentials, Vol 2, Textbook
- Brady Paramedic Essentials, Vol 2, Workbook
- FISDAP Codes (Clinical and Scheduler)
- Prehospital Emergency Pharmacology, 6th Ed
- Basic Arrhythmias, 6th Ed
- Skills Lab Book
- Hospital Clinical Book
- CSI Paramedic Handbook

Optional Texts
- Emergency Care in the Streets, 6th Ed
- Why-Driven EMS Enrichment
- Informed Pocket Reference for EMTs and Paramedics
- Mosby’s Medical Dictionary
- Pathophysiology Made Incredibly Easy
- Clinical Anatomy and Physiology, 2nd Ed

Required Equipment
- Uniforms - minimum of two
  - CSI Paramedic Shirts
  - Navy Uniform Pants
  - CSI Patches
  - Belt, shoes/boots
  - Stethoscope, emergency shears, penlight
  - See handbook for more information
  - ID (to be worn at all in clinicals) from Taylor Building

CSI Resources
- Financial Aid (Grants, Scholarships)
- Library
- Computer Lab
- Academic Development Center
  - Peer Tutoring
  - Testing Center
- Center for New Directions
  - Career Exploration
  - Self Assessment
  - Personal Counseling

CSI Resources (continued)
- Student Services
- Student Health Services (physicals or illness)
- Cafeteria, SUB
- Security
- Parking

Example

Image of a paramedic and a patient.
EMS Department Faculty/Staff

- Jayson Lloyd, - CSI Health Science and Human Services Academic Dean
- Todd Evans, - CSI EMS Program Manager tevans@csi.edu
- Blaine Larsen - CSI EMT Department Head blainelarsen@csi.edu

Course Content

- PARA 101 Lecture - (learn what and why)
  - MWF 10am-1pm
- PARA 101L Lab - (learn how)
  - WF 2pm-5pm
  - Dates January 19- May 12, 2016
- PARA 101C Clinical - (Apply what, why, and how)
  - T/TH 7am-3pm and by arrangement
  - Dates March 1 - May 2, 2016

Paramedic I PARA 101

- Roles and Responsibilities, Legal Aspects
- Paramedic Well Being
- Pathophysiology
- Pharmacology

Paramedic I Continued...

- Fluid Balance, Electrolytes, Acid-Base
- Airway Management
- Assessment
- Communications/Documentation
- Trauma

2015-2016

FALL -
8/24 Semester starts
9/7 Labor Day (Closed)
10/12 Columbus Day(Closed)
11/11 Veterans Day (Closed)
11/25-11/27 Thanksgiving (Closed)
12/14-12/17 Finals for Main Session Courses
12/17 Semester ends

SPRING -
11/16 Registration Begins
1/18 Martin Luther King Day (Closed)
1/19 Semester Starts
2/15 Presidents Day (Closed)
3/21-3/25 Spring Break
4/18 Summer and Fall Registration Begins
5/8 -5/12 Final Exams for Main Sessions
5/12-Semester ends
5/13 Commencement
Blackboard

Paramedic I Lab PARA 101L
- EMT Skill Review
- Intravenous Access, IM, SQ, Phlebotomy
- Pharmacology Administration
- Airway Management
- Communications/Documentation
- Shock/Trauma Management

SIM Man

Paramedic I Clinical Rotation
- Anesthesia (ETT, BVM) 28 hrs
- ED (Assessments, IV’s) 24 hrs
- MVRMC ED 16 hrs
- MVRMC Resp Therapy 8 hrs
- Medical Director 8 hrs
- Geriatrics 8 hrs
- SIRCOM 8 hrs
- Total 100hrs

Paramedic II PARA 201
- Medical Emergencies
- Geriatric Emergencies
- Cardiac Emergencies
  - ACLS Certification $150
- Pediatric Emergencies
  - PALS Certification $50

American Heart Association
Learn and Live...

Paramedic II Lab PARA 201L
- Pulmonology
- Cardiology
- ACLS
- Pediatrics
- PALS
- OB
- Medical Treatments
SIM Man

Paramedic II Clinical Rotation

- Anesthesia 16 hrs
- Critical Care Unit 8 hrs
- Cardiac Cath Lab 8 hrs
- Emergency Department 32 hrs
- MVRMC Resp Therapy 8 hrs
- Medical Director 8 hrs
- EMS (Ambulance) 120 hrs
- Total 200 hrs

Paramedic III PARA 244

- Few Lecture/Lab Meetings
  - Special Operations: Haz Mat, Crime Scene, Ambulance Operations, etc.
  - Trauma (PHTLS) $125
  - Field Clinical Rotation
  - Apx 320 hours minimum EMS
  - NOTE: All clinical rotations are competency based, not hourly based - so internship can go longer!

Paramedic III PARA 244C

- Psychiatric Rotations 16 hrs
- Pediatric Rotations 16 hrs
- NICU 8 hrs
- OB 16 hrs
- Emergency Dept 40 hrs
- Total 96 hrs

Final Exams

- Two Parts...
- Written Final Exam
  - 200 question multiple choice
- Practical Final Exam
  - Scenario based testing
  - Medical Director will assign final practical grade with input from faculty

Fact or Myth?

- As an EMT I already know most everything I need to know to pass the paramedic program...I just need to learn IV's, intubation, medications and I'm done.
  - Myth - there is much more to being a medic than learning new hands on skills.
Fact or Myth?

• I can get checked off on my skills sheets while I’m on duty.
  Myth - You cannot perform any medic student skills while on duty…you are not covered by student liability while not on duty as a student…you cannot legally perform any ALS level skills except as a student

Fact or Myth?

• If I study ACLS real hard, I will pass the National Registry exam.
  Myth - most of the questions are not related to ACLS

Fact or Myth?

• Good ALS is 90% good BLS
  • Fact - most medics drop the ball when it comes to the basics
    – We must always think low-tech before high-tech
    – Paramedics save lives, EMTs save paramedics

Mentoring

• Find a great Paramedic to model yourself after and learn all you can!

Studying and Test Taking

• A handout will be provided to help review some important studying and test taking tips
• Know what resources you have available
  – Faculty
  – Fellow students (study groups are encouraged)
  – Workbooks
  – Academic Development Center

Remember...

• Keep your mind open to new ideas and concepts, especially if you are currently working in the profession
• Often students get new information before those on the street…you may actually be more up to date than your preceptor
• Course content is designed around a national standard and may not always reflect local protocol
What Else Can I Expect?

- You can expect to be pushed to your limits physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.
- You can expect to study more than any other time in your life.
- You can expect an excellent education.
- You can expect to make some great friends.
- You can expect to be proud of yourself and your profession when you graduate and become a Nationally Registered Paramedic in May 2017!

Welcome!

• Questions???