

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) FIRST RESPONDER COURSE

The First Responder course is designed for the lay person and presents information regarding selected health conditions and issues, recognition of health emergencies, and demonstration of assistive measures that do not require the use of advanced medical equipment. The course includes 40 hours of classroom and lab instruction and is offered in both a credit and non-credit format. The credit course, which is titled Health and Health Emergencies, is offered as a three-credit hour course in winter quarter over a 10-week period. The non-credit format of the course is offered two-to-three times a year through the College's Business and Industry Department and can be completed in five weeks.

Upon successful completion of the course, students are eligible to apply to take the National Certification Exam. Upon successful completion of the certification exam, candidates can apply to the state for a certificate to practice as a First Responder. All applicants will be asked if they have been convicted of a felony crime. If the applicant answers yes, an evaluation will be completed by the State Division of EMS to determine if the applicant will be issued a certificate to practice.

To obtain further information about the First Responder course, please contact:

- EMS program faculty at 937-328-6052 or 937-328-6059 (credit or non-credit course)
- Health and Human Services Division at 937-328-6057 or 937-328-6057 (credit course only)
- Business and Industry Department at 937-328-6047 or 937-328-6062 (non-credit course only)