



Paramedic Science Program Fall 2023 Application Instructions

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Under the College of Health, the Paramedic Science Program at ISU is a highly respected, academic program engaging a maximum of 42 students in a cohort. It is the only paramedic program in Idaho offering an Associate of Science Paramedic Science degree and a Paramedic Science Academic Certificate. Additionally, our program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.

The application deadline for early consideration for the fall semester is **March 31, 2023**. Qualified applicants who complete the application process by March 31st are interviewed in April. Students who apply after March 31 will be considered only if space allows.

Prior to applying, all Paramedic Science Program pre-professional academic requirements (page 2) must be complete, or in-progress, or have anticipated completion dates in advance of the beginning of fall semester. A final official transcript must be sent to the Registrar's office after completion. Acceptance to the program will be conditional upon successful completion of pre-requisites and a satisfactory admission interview. Acceptance to Idaho State University does not guarantee acceptance into the Paramedic Program.

APPLICATION & ADMISSION PROCESS:

- 1) **APPLY TO ISU BY SUBMITTING THE ISU UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION.** You can apply online at: <https://www.isu.edu/apply/>. Be sure to declare yourself to be *degree-seeking* and select *Pre-Paramedic* as your major. The department will change your major to Paramedic Science once you're accepted into the program. There is a \$50.00 application fee to Idaho State University. ISU waives the application fee for veterans. Contact Todd Johnson, Director of Veteran Student Services, to request the application fee waiver. Email Todd at johtodd@isu.edu or call 208-282-3018.

2) COMPLETE THE PARAMEDIC SCIENCE PROGRAM APPLICATION at Moodle ISU Community website at: <https://elearn.isu.edu/community/>.

Directions for navigating Moodle ISU Community:

1. If you have an ISU account, you should not create a new account. Log in with your credentials. If you do not have an ISU account (i.e. you have not been formally admitted to ISU), and you have not previously registered for an account, then you will create a new account.
2. Once you've created an account, log in and click on the "Site home" tab near the upper-left hand screen. Find the Paramedic Science Program Application under "Miscellaneous" courses.
3. Follow directions to complete the application steps for admission.

Paramedic Science Program Application Materials:

- Paramedic Science Application Form
- A one-page essay describing your motivation to become a paramedic, your expectations of the paramedic field, any unique experiences or qualifications you may have, and your professional goals.
- A copy of your transcripts, an unofficial copy is fine. Please note, a final official transcript will be required.
- Copy of current, non-expired AHA BLS/Healthcare Provider CPR card.
- Copy of current, non-expired NREMT and/or state EMT/AEMT certification.
- A \$30 application fee (payment link in Community Moodle Paramedic Science Application Portal or mailed by check).

YOU WILL UPLOAD APPLICATION MATERIALS IN THE MOODLE ISU COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC SCIENCE APPLICATION PORTAL AT <https://elearn.isu.edu/community/>.

3) PROGRAM INTERVIEW. The Paramedic Science program will contact you in March to schedule a program interview if you meet the program qualifications. Remote interviews via Zoom begin in April. Paramedic candidates will be notified in writing regarding acceptance. Students who are not accepted and who wish to re-apply the following year may do so without having to pay the program application fee a second time.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Paramedic Program Admission Criteria:

- ✓ Admitted to Idaho State University as a degree-seeking student
- ✓ Completion of pre-professional academic requirements*:
 - Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology HO 0111 or equivalent (4 credits) with a C or better within the last five years. NOTE: BIO 2227 Anatomy & Physiology (4 credits) alone does not satisfy the prerequisite requirement.
 - Medical Terminology HE 2210/HCA 2210/HO 0106 or equivalent (2 credits) with a C or better within the last five years
- ✓ An overall GPA of 2.5 or higher
- ✓ Current NREMT and/or state EMT/AEMT certification, and current AHA BLS/Healthcare Provider CPR certification
- ✓ Ability to successfully pass the required background check
- ✓ Completion of an interview with Paramedic Science Admissions Committee

*For a list of prerequisite equivalencies at other Idaho institutions click [here](#). Contact Krystal Scott Lyman 208-373-1760 or krystal.scott@isu.edu with questions regarding the pre-professional academic requirements and/or their equivalencies from out-of-state institutions.

Background Check:

The program director will discuss background check information at orientation in August. You do not need to complete a background check before the program begins.

The hospital and field internship sites have strict standards regarding the criminal history of students that are allowed to participate in patient care at their facilities. The following is the current standard that must be met in order to participate in the mandatory clinical and field internship phases of the Paramedic Science program:

No history or criminal record (including conviction, plea agreement, withheld judgment, or pending charges, concerning any of the following crimes (felony or misdemeanor): 1) sexual assault, rape, indecent exposure, lewd and lascivious behavior, or any crime involving non-consensual sexual conduct; 2) child abuse or neglect, sexual exploitation of children, child abduction, contributing to the delinquency or neglect of a child, enticing a child for immoral purposes, exposing a minor to pornography or other harmful materials, incest, or any other crime involving children as victims or participants; 3) vulnerable adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation; 4) homicide or manslaughter; 5) assault or battery occurring within the prior seven (7) years; 6) drug trafficking or other offenses involving narcotics, alcohol or controlled substances during the prior five (5) years; 7) theft, embezzlement, fraud, or other crimes involving dishonesty committed during the prior five (5) years; and 8) any felony conviction. All clinical and field internship sites reserve the right to disqualify a Student if the Student has a history of other crimes or misconduct.

Immunization:

The program director will discuss immunization information at orientation in August.

- A negative tuberculin, Purified Protein Derivative (PPD) result within the preceding 6 months of entering the professional year, or a chest x-ray
- TD (tetanus) booster
- Influenza Vaccine
- Varicella Vaccine – 2 doses or Varicella Titer
- MMR Vaccine or Rubella Titer
- Hepatitis B series and/or Hepatitis B Titer

Questions? Please contact Krystal Scott Lyman at krystal.scott@isu.edu or 208-373-1760.