

Early COLLEGE



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) AND FIRE SCIENCE PROGRAMS



Illinois Central College provides high school students an early start on their career and technical education through Dual Credit Work-Based Learning.



AUGUST 19, 2025–MAY 15, 2026
CLASSES MEET: 7:15 AM–9:20 AM
MONDAY–FRIDAY*

STUDENTS HAVE FOUR CHOICES:

- ▶ EMS/Fire Science at the ICC Peoria Campus (fire classes will meet at East Peoria Festival Building)
- ▶ EMS/Fire Science at the ICC Pekin Campus
- ▶ EMS only at the ICC Peoria Campus
- ▶ EMS only at the ICC Pekin Campus

Illinois
Central
College 



ILLINOIS CENTRAL COLLEGE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) AND FIRE SCIENCE PROGRAM
EARLY COLLEGE



What: An ICC Early College program in which high school seniors can enroll in the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) course and may also enroll in two Fire Science courses if they choose to. Students will attend classes at the ICC Peoria Campus or the ICC Pekin Campus for this program (students enrolled in the Peoria Campus program will meet at the East Peoria Festival Building if they are taking Fire Science classes). Students will also receive CPR training and certification.

When: August 19, 2025–May 15, 2026 (ICC academic calendar)
Classes meet 7:15 am–9:20 am, Monday-Friday*

Why: To give students the opportunity to become CPR certified personnel, licensed Emergency Medical Responders (EMRs), and licensed Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). They will also be introduced to the operations and services provided by today's fire service professional, earning 6 college credits toward the Fire Science Technology degree.

More: To help students learn about emergency and fire services, giving them a head start on a career in public safety. They will earn credentials that can lead to employment after high school graduation and licensure, such as an EMT. They can also continue their education in Fire Science Technology, Emergency Medical Services, or a related field.

Where: Students choose one location:
ICC Peoria Campus location—5407 N. University in Peoria, 61614 and various participating EMS agencies and fire departments. (students enrolled in the Peoria Campus program will meet at the East Peoria Festival Building if they are taking Fire Science classes)

ICC Pekin Campus location—225 Hanna Drive in Pekin, 61554 and various participating EMS agencies and fire departments.

What: **EMS 121/122**— Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) (8 college credits total)
FRSTK 110— Introduction to Fire Science (3 college credits)
FRSTK 113— Fire Company Apparatus & Procedure (3 college credits)

Work with high school advisement/counseling staff to see if program will fit student's schedule.

How: Complete ICC student application and EMS/Fire Science application.

Participate in placement testing through ICC. Students must have a minimum Accuplacer reading score of 237, or a Writeplacer minimum score of 3. They can also qualify with a SAT reading score of 480 or ACT reading score of 18.

** EMS only students will meet Monday/Wednesday/Friday. EMS/Fire students will attend EMS classes on Monday/Wednesday/Friday and attend Fire classes on Tuesday/Thursday.*

Michael E. Dant
EMS Program Director
Illinois Central College
(309)690-7530 mdant@icc.edu

Terry Carter
Fire Science Technology Program Director
Illinois Central College
(309)690-7696 terry.carter@icc.edu



ILLINOIS CENTRAL COLLEGE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) PROGRAM
EARLY COLLEGE



What: An ICC Early College program in which high school seniors enroll in two courses, EMT I and EMT II. Students will attend classes at the ICC Peoria Campus or the ICC Pekin Campus for this program. Students will receive CPR training/certification and upon successful completion of both EMT classes, will be eligible for national EMT certification and Illinois EMT licensure.

When: August 19, 2025–May 15, 2026 (ICC academic calendar)
Classes meet 7:15 am–9:20 am, Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Why: To give students the opportunity to become CPR certified personnel and licensed Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and be eligible for employment as an EMT.

More: To help students learn about emergency services, giving them a head start on a career in emergency medical services and/or public safety. They will earn credentials that can lead to licensure and employment after high school graduation. Jobs could include working for an ambulance or fire/rescue agency as an EMT, or as a Patient Care Technician (PCT) in a hospital. They can also continue in the Emergency Medical Services program at ICC to become a paramedic.

Where: Students choose one location:
ICC Peoria Campus—5407 N. University in Peoria, 61614 and various participating EMS agencies.
ICC Pekin Campus—225 Hanna Drive in Pekin, 61554 and various participating EMS agencies.

Classes: **EMS 121**— Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) I (4 college credits in fall semester)
EMS 122— Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) II (4 college credits in spring semester)

How: Work with high school advisement/counseling staff to see if program will fit student's schedule.
Complete ICC student application and EMS/Fire Science application.

Participate in placement testing through ICC. Students must have a minimum Accuplacer reading score of 237, or a Writeplacer minimum score of 3. They can also qualify with a SAT reading score of 480 or ACT reading score of 18.

Students must attend a mandatory orientation prior to the start of classes (typically held in May but exact date to be announced). Parents are strongly encouraged to attend with student.

Michael E. Dant
EMS Program Director
Illinois Central College
(309)690-7530 mdant@icc.edu

Terry Carter
Fire Science Technology Program Director
Illinois Central College
(309)690-7696 terry.carter@icc.edu

ILLINOIS CENTRAL COLLEGE 2025-2026

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES/FIRE SCIENCE PROGRAM

WORK-BASED LEARNING/DUAL CREDIT APPLICATION

Student Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Choose one Program: EMS/Fire Science (Peoria) EMS (Peoria) EMS/Fire Science(Pekin) EMS(Pekin)

Student must be a senior to participate in this program. Verify that student will be a senior at the start of the EMS training course.

ICC Student ID#(Required): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone # (home): _____ (Cell): _____ (Other): _____

Student Email: _____

High School: _____ School Phone #: _____

Counselor Name(s): _____ Counselor Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Specific health, immunization, and background requirements will be necessary prior to start of class.

AGREEMENT/REQUIRED SIGNATURES:

Signing below indicates that student wishes to be considered for the Work-Based Learning/Dual Credit Fire Science and/or Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program at ICC.

Parent/Guardian signature indicates they believe that their son/daughter has the maturity and ability to be successful in the program, approves of this application, ensures students will be provided suitable transportation, and gives the school permission to release all necessary school records.

Student and parent/guardian understand that the program will follow the Illinois Central College academic calendar, which may not correspond with individual high school schedules with regards to days off, school holidays, breaks, etc. and that the student is expected to be at their ICC Fire Science and/or EMS Program class even if their home school has a scheduled day(s) off.

The student/parent/guardian understands that, in compliance with federal and state privacy laws, ICC may use biographical information for institutional research. Withholding information or giving false information may make a student ineligible for admission to ICC or subject to dismissal.

STUDENT SIGNATURE**PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE****DATE**

How to Submit Application:

Student works with high school to complete application.

High school submits approved application to Early College.

For Questions Contact:

Michael Dant, EMS Program Director
5407 N University, Cedar Hall C105L
Peoria, IL 61635

(309) 690-7530 mdant@icc.edu