



## COURSE SYLLABUS

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**COURSE:** EMS 240 PATIENTS W/ SPECIAL CHALLENGES

**HOURS:** Lecture: 1 Lab/Shop: 2 Work Exp/Clinical: 0 Credits: 2

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course includes concepts of crisis intervention and techniques of interacting with patients with special challenges and is required for paramedic certification. Topics include appropriate intervention and interaction for neglected, abused, terminally ill, chronically ill, technology assisted, bariatric, physically challenged, mentally challenged, or assaulted patients as well as behavioral emergencies. Upon completion, students should be able to recognize and manage the care of patients with special challenges

**PREREQUISITE(S):** EMS 122, EMS 130

**COREQUISITE(S):** None

### TEXTBOOK(S) & OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Sanders, Mick. Sanders' Paramedic Textbook 5<sup>th</sup> Ed. Burlington MA: Jones and Bartlett Learning, 2019  
ISBN: 9781284166095

### STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate fundamental knowledge of psychiatric emergencies on written tests.
2. Apply principles of appropriate prehospital patient care for patients with psychiatric emergencies during simulated patient care.
3. Demonstrate complex knowledge of psychopharmacology on written tests.
4. Demonstrate fundamental knowledge of substance abuse on written tests.
5. Apply principles of appropriate prehospital patient care for substance abuse patients during simulated patient care.
6. Demonstrate fundamental knowledge of EMS medical laws related to abuse and neglect on written tests.
7. Apply principles of appropriate prehospital patient care to patients who have suffered abuse or neglect during simulated patient care.
8. Apply principles of patient advocacy for patients with special needs during simulated patient care.
9. Demonstrate complex knowledge of patient care for patients with special needs in the completion of an assigned research project.

**\*\*\*Please refer to the online version of the Richmond Community College Program & Course Catalog and the Student Handbook for current academic and general information**