

**Course Prefix/Number/Title:** EMS 215 – Airway/Ventilatory Emergencies

Number of Credits: 2 credits

**Course Description: This** course provides the paramedic student with critical airway management skills that will be the most critical steps in the initial assessment of every patient. The student will be proficient in both basic and advanced airway maneuvers, equipment, and skills. This course consists of lectures and lab sessions which include low fidelity endotracheal intubations, ventilations and supraglottic airway placements etc. prior to the start of the operating room portion of EMS 240.

This course introduces the paramedic student to specific medications used in the pre-hospital setting that are focused on respiratory emergencies. Mechanism of action, indications, contraindication, dosing, and correct administrations are discussed in this class.

Teaching-learning methods in this course may include, but are not limited to, assigned readings, independent studies, presentations, discussion, critical thinking exercises, labs, clinicals, and class activities.

Pre-/Co-requisites: EMS 214

**Course Objectives:** To integrate didactic and psychomotor skills to teach the student basic and advanced airway techniques set in the EMS standard instructional guidelines. To integrate comprehensive knowledge of anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology into the assessment to develop and implement a treatment plan with the goal of ensuring a patent airway, adequate mechanical ventilation, and respiration for patients of all ages.

Integrates complex knowledge of medications associated with respiratory emergencies and rapid sequence intubation. Understand the indications, contraindications, side effects and dosage of emergency medications for patients of all ages.

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**Lecture/Lab Schedule:** Monday and Thursday from 6:15-10:15 PM. Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. See class schedule.

**Textbook(s):** Bledsoe, B., Porter, R., Cherry, R. (2023). Bledsoe's Paramedic Care Principles and Practice Volumes 1& 2, 6th Edition. Hoboken, NJ: Brady Books. Pharmacology for Paramedic Students – an open resource publication. Other materials provided by instructors.

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Course Requirements: Students will be required to attend class and complete assignments in MyBradyLab and exams in EMStesting on time. Final exams will be worth 40%, additional tests 20%, quizzes 5%, homework 5%, lab/clinical 20% and affective behavior 10%. All final course grades will be calculated on a weighted grading system. See clinical/lab grading rubric on page 3.

Students will also be required to meet portfolio requirements (where applicable). Please see DCB Paramedic Handbook for full grading and course requirements.

Tentative Course Outline: Bledsoe's Paramedic Care Principles and Practice, 6th Edition. Vol. 1, Ch. 22. Pharmacology for Paramedic Students – an open resource.

TOPIC-CLASSROOM	READING
Airway Management and Ventilation Pharmacology for Paramedic Students	Ch. 22 Ch. 6
Medications Used in Pain Management, Se	edation & RSI
Human Airway (medium of your choice) Oxygen Dissociation Curve Paper (2 pages)	Due Date: EMS 215 Final Test date.  Due Date: EMS 215 Final Test date.

TOPIC-LAB

See Platinum Planner Student Minimum Requirements

Course objectives details to be covered according to the EMS National Standards instructional guidelines.

General Education Competency/Learning Outcome(s) OR CTE Competency/Department Learning Outcome(s): Students will apply knowledge gained in the didactic component of the program to achieve a minimum of 70% proficiency in all of the following curricular levels of EMS Testing exams: 1) airway management, 2) medicine, 3) EMS operations, 4) assessment, 5) preparatory, 6) special patient populations and 7) shock/resuscitation/trauma.

Students will demonstrate proficiency in basic, individual and pathological laboratory skills, competencies and scenarios.

Relationship to Campus Theme: The goal of the Paramedic Program is to prepare professionals to work in the emergency medical services industry. The Paramedic Program is committed to a hands-on learning environment and uses field experiences and emerging technologies in emergency medical services as common instructional techniques.

Classroom Policies: Dakota College at Bottineau Paramedic Program guides.

Student Email Policy: Dakota College at Bottineau is increasingly dependent upon email as an official form of communication. A student's campus-assigned email address will be the only one recognized by the Campus for official mailings. The liability for missing or not acting upon important information conveyed via campus email rests with the student.

Academic Integrity: According to the DCB Student Handbook, students are responsible for submitting their own work. Students who cooperate on oral or written examinations or work without authorization share the responsibility for violation of academic principles, and the students are subject to disciplinary Updated 9/2025

action even when one of the students is not enrolled in the course where the violation occurred. The Code detailed in the Academic Honesty/Dishonesty section of the Student Handbook will serve as the guideline for cases where cheating, plagiarism or other academic improprieties have occurred.

**Disabilities or Special Needs: Students** with disabilities or special needs (academic or otherwise) are encouraged to contact the instructor and Disability Support Services within the first two weeks of the semester to line up accommodations.

**Title IX: Dakota** College at Bottineau (DCB) faculty are committed to helping create a safe learning environment for all students and for the College as a whole. Please be aware that all DCB employees (other than those designated as confidential resources such as advocates, counselors, clergy, and healthcare providers) are required to report information about such discrimination and harassment to the College Title IX Coordinator. This means that if a student tells a faculty member about a situation of sexual harassment or sexual violence, or other related misconduct, the faculty member must share that information with the College's Title IX Coordinator. Students wishing to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility can find a list of resources on the DCB Title IX Webpage.

## **AI Student Policy:**

Unless otherwise indicated in the course syllabus, or in individual instructions for course assignments, or in the absence of the express consent of the course instructor, students are not allowed to utilize generative AI to help produce any of their academic work. Any violation of this policy will be considered an act of academic dishonesty as outlined within the Dakota College Code of Student Life.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

Students	<ul> <li>Responsible to follow the syllabus and assignment instructions regarding use of generative AI for all academic work.</li> <li>Obtain permission of the instructor prior to the use of generative AI that is outside of the syllabus or assignment instructions. Provide appropriate rationale for how the use of generative AI will enhance the learning experience for the assignment.</li> <li>In instances where generative AI is permissible, appropriately cite the generative AI program used and indicate where in the assignment it was used, in a brief</li> </ul>
Faculty	<ul> <li>Determine if the use of generative AI could enhance student learning in any assignment of project.</li> <li>Clearly indicate in all course syllabi if generative AI is allowable for any academic work.</li> <li>If allowable, give specific parameters for how and when generative AI may be used.</li> <li>If a violation of generative AI for the individual course/syllabus is suspected, discuss the concern with the student. If violation is still suspected, inform the appropriate semester coordinator/program director.</li> </ul>

## Paramedic Clinical/Lab Grading Ruberic

Teacher Name: **W Fahy** Student Name:

CATEGORY	2	1.55	1.15	0.95	0	Score
Timely submission	Submits documentation	Submits documentation	Submits documentation	Submits documentation	Submits documentation	0.95
of report	within the 48 hour time	between 48 and 72	between 72 and 96	between 96 and 120	after 120 hours	
	window	hours	hours	hours		
Completeness of the	Narrative is the highest	Narrative is high quality	Narrative is average	Narrative is below	Narrative is incomplete,	1.15
narrative	quality, no errors, (spelling	minor errors, but	quality, minor errors,	average contains errors	disorganized, no history	
or	or grammatical), a	complete history and	minimumly incomplete	and incomplete history	or physical assessment	
	complete history and	assessment.	history or assessment	that needs to be		
	physical assessment is	,		returned for correction		
	documented.					
Professionalism of	Provides work of the	Provides high quality	Provides average quality	Provides below average	Provides work that is	1.55
documentation	highest quality and	work and	work and	quality work and	totally unprofessional	
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Preceptors	Ambulance Preceptor	Preceptor evaluation is	Preceptor evaluation is	Preceptor evaluation	Preceptor evaluation	0.95
evaluation	evaluation is all 5's with	4's with positive	3's with either positive	has a 2 with negative	has a 1 with negative	
P	positive comments	comments	or minor negative	comments	comments	
	Hospital Clinical All	Hospital clinical	comments	Hospital clinical No	Hospital clinical no	
	compentents in the top	Majority of competents	Hospital clinical 1-2	competents and a	competents, and more	
	skills section of evaluation	with 1-2 marginal	competents, 2-3	mixture of marginal and	unsuccessfuls than	
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	section)	evaluation form	evaluation form	evaluation form	evaluation form	
		Total	6.6			
Date updated: <b>05/14/2024</b> A score of 70% or better is passing		Percentage	0.66			