

# WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY EMERGENCY & DISASTER HEALTH SERVICES DEGREE?

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## **Using the Major Sheet:**

- Large headings indicate **industry** area and subheadings indicate **employers** within that area.
- Use the titles to search for careers and related careers in order to explore your options within different areas of industry. Note that some career titles have multiple names for similar positions.
- An asterisk (\*) notes that additional training (certification, graduate school, high level of experience) may be needed in order to obtain this career. Make sure to thoroughly research career pathways.

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (Tiered)**

### **Call Center, Transport Services, Air Medical Services, Receiving Facilities**

#### **Advanced Life Support**

- Paramedic
- Critical Care Paramedic

#### **Basic Life Support**

- First Responder
- Emergency Medical Technician

#### **Management**

- Quality Control Officer
- Ambulance Service Owner
- Program Administrator
- Field Supervisor
- Operations Manager
- Management Analyst
- Reimbursement/Billing Coordinator
- Field Operations Manager (Disaster Relief)

## **COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS**

### **911 Call Center, Pathways Management, Dispatch Center**

- Nonemergency Dispatcher
- Communications Manager
- Supervisor
- Emergency Medical Dispatcher
- Telecommunications Specialist
- Telecommunications Educator

## **EDUCATION**

- Health Educator
- EMS Instructor
- Community Health Educator
- Emergency Procedures Instructor
- Outreach Assistant
- Project Coordinator
- Public Health Educator
- Program Coordinator
- Field Training Officer
- Community Outreach Worker
- Curriculum Developer
- Emergency Management Consultant
- Clinical Training Coordinator
- Program Developer
- Instructional Designer for Emergency Services

## **DISASTER MANAGEMENT**

### **FEMA, Military Organizations, Volunteer Organizations**

- Disaster Response Planner
- Response Planner
- Consultant
- Health Systems Resilience Advisor
- Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
- Prevention Expert
- Educator
- Public Health Emergency Mgr.
- Program Coordinator
- Epidemiologist
- Health Emergency Operations Center (HEOC) Coordinator

## **HOSPITALS**

### **Emergency Departments, Trauma Centers, Specialty Referral Centers, Patient Transport Teams, Hospital Based EMS**

- Medical Records Administrator
- Admissions Staff
- Public Relations Specialist
- Patient Relations Coordinator
- Recruiter
- Purchasing Agent
- Volunteer Services Director
- Patient Advocate/Rep.
- Assistant Administrator
- Fund-raising/Development Specialist
- Risk Management Specialist
- EMS Liaison/Coordinator
- Health Information Technician
- Trauma Services Coordinator
- Trauma Services Administrator

## **LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES/ HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

### **Nursing Homes, Home Health Care Agencies**

- Records Administrator
- Admissions Representative
- Marketing/PR Specialist
- EMS Liaison/Coordinator
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Program Coordinator

# **MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS**

## **HMOs, PPOs, POSs**

- Physician Relations Specialist
- Quality Assurance Coordinator
- Market Development Assistant
- Claims Adjuster
- Customer Service Representative
- Provider Relations Coordinator
- Underwriter
- Public Relations Asst.

## **MEDICAL SALES**

### **Medical Instrument/Supply Co., Emergency Medical Equipment Manufacturers**

- Assistant Buyer
- Market Researcher
- Sales Representative
- Trainer
- Marketing Specialist

## **POLICY / ADVOCACY**

### **Congress / State Legislature / Local Government**

- Congressional/Legislative Aide
- Legislative Research Assistant
- Legislative Correspondent
- Campaign Staffer/Aide
- Policy Analyst
- Committee Staff Person

### **State EMS Agency**

- State Director
- Injury Prevention Specialist
- Communications Director
- Program Coordinator
- State Training Coordinator
- Legislative Liaison
- Grants and Contracts Administrator
- Research Analyst
- State Quality Assurance Coordinator
- Regional Representative
- Data Management Specialist

### **Volunteer/Assistance Organizations**

- Volunteer Coordinator
- Program Coordinator
- Fund-Raiser/Development Associate
- Public Relations Specialist
- Community/Field Organizer
- Community Relations Officer
- Health Emergency Program Officer
- Health Educator
- Project Manager
- Peace Corps Volunteer
- Membership Coordinator
- Grants and Contracts Administrator

### **Health-Related Professional Associations / National Organizations**

- Project Manager
- Political Organizer
- Fund-Raiser/Development Associate
- Public Health Surveyor/Researcher
- Membership Coordinator
- Meetings Coordinator
- Public Relations Specialist
- Legislative Advocate
- Program Developer
- Special Events Planner
- Public Policy Analyst
- Research Assistant

## **ADVANCED CERTIFICATIONS**

- Flight Paramedic Cert. (FP-C)
- Tactical Paramedic Cert. (TP-C)
- International Association of Emergency Managers Cert (AEM/CEM)
- Critical Care Paramedic Cert. (CCP-C)
- Prenatal Critical Care Transport (PNCCT)

### **Preparation for a Competitive Job Market:**

- **Focus on transferable skill sets** as you pursue a degree in Emergency and Disaster Health Systems
- **Obtain relevant internship, co-op, or volunteer experiences.**
- **Supplement Emergency and Disaster Health Systems coursework** with **classes** that are **relevant** to your career.
- **Meet with a Career Specialist** to explore options, make decisions, and prepare for career choices.

### **Additional Career Center Resources:**

- **Major Sheets (EDHS, PBHL, BIOL, PUBL):** <http://careers.umbc.edu/tools/major-sheets/>
- **Links by Major:** <http://careers2.umbc.edu/tools/links.php>
- **Vault:** <http://careers.umbc.edu/students/discover/explore-careers-majors/>

-Click on Vault Career Insider portal link and provide UMBC user ID and password

-Select "Guides" to view relevant guides

### **Professional Associations:**

National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians: [www.naemt.org](http://www.naemt.org)

National Association of EMS Educators: [www.naemse.org](http://www.naemse.org)

National Association of State EMS Officials: <https://www.nasemso.org/>

National Association of EMS Physicians: [www.naemsp.org](http://www.naemsp.org)

National Association for Search and Rescue: [www.nasar.org](http://www.nasar.org)

National Ski Patrol: [www.nsp.org](http://www.nsp.org)

International Association of Emergency managers (IAEM): <https://www.iaem.org>

### **Additional Resources:**

National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians: [www.nremt.org](http://www.nremt.org)

Board for Critical Care Transport Paramedic Certification: [www.ibscertifications.org](http://www.ibscertifications.org)