



**Pre-Selection
Package**

2024

Train as if a **life**
depends on it
because one day,
it will.



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PRIMARY CARE
PARAMEDIC
12 MONTHS | DIPLOMA

OLS ACADEMY

Program Overview

Next Intake: August 2024

Duration: 12 months

Delivery: Full-time

No online or part-time study options are available.

Location: Moncton, New Brunswick

Our Nationally Accredited Primary Care Paramedic Diploma program is an intensive 12-month blend of classroom, lab, an ambulance preceptorship, and a clinical practicum. OLS Academy students benefit from instruction that is fuelled by innovation but grounded by time tested foundational principles in Paramedicine.

This package is intended to provide you with all the information you will need to navigate our Selection Process.

If after reviewing this package, you still have questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions Team.

Selection Process

STEP 1: SUBMIT PREREQUISITES

Listed within this package are prerequisites that must be received by the Academy prior to an invite to Selection being issued.

To be eligible for a certain Selection Day, prerequisites must be received **one week prior** to the scheduled Selection Day.

A list of prerequisite items is included on [page 3](#) of this package.

*Note: Should you not have the required vaccinations/ proof of immunity items, please talk to our Admissions Team as you may still be able to receive an invite to Selection.

STEP 2: SELECTION DAY

Once prerequisites have been received and verified by the Admissions Team, you will be invited to attend a Selection Day.

An invite will be issued, which will provide you with a time-slot, as well as information to help you prepare.

During the Selection Day, you will complete a [Paramedic Physical Abilities Test](#), a [Candidate Suitability Test](#), as well as a Panel Interview with members of our Faculty.

STEP 3: OFFER OF ACCEPTANCE

Should you be successful in our Selection Process, you will receive a letter of acceptance and a seat will be placed on hold for you.

In order to confirm your seat, you will need to pay the Seat Deposit as outlined in our [Fee & Payment Schedule](#).

Note: Failure to provide a Seat Deposit by the next scheduled Selection Day, will result in your seat being released to another candidate.



A Career as a Paramedic

Paramedics operate in a variety of environments including on an ambulance, in clinics, on aircraft, and in special response vehicles.

Paramedics are versatile medical professionals that are tasked with performing patient assessments, interpreting diagnostics, and performing interventions.

A career in Paramedicine is very rewarding, as you can make a difference in someone's life every time you come to work. However, this does not come without a cost. Paramedics commonly work 12-hour rotating shifts and are faced with both physical and mental stress daily.

(You can read more about the stresses faced by Canadian Paramedics here: https://cradpdf.drdrddc.gc.ca/PDFS/unc289/p805905_A1b.pdf)

It is important that these valued medical professionals maintain physical fitness and have strong support systems in place, to ensure longevity in this line of work.

Admission Pathways

In order to qualify for entrance into the program, you must be **at least 19 years of age** prior to the start of the Ambulance Preceptorship.

The Ambulance Preceptorship takes place during the third week of April in each academic year.

Traditional Admissions Pathway:

Documents to Submit:

Proof of Grade 12 Diploma or equivalent.

- If you are currently in Grade 12, a letter from your school stating that you are a student in good standing is required.

Submit a transcript of High School marks, demonstrating a final grade of 65% or higher in three or more of the following domains, at the Grade 11 or 12 level:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science



Mature Student Admissions Pathway:

OLS Academy understands that changes in life's trajectory can occur at any stage. It is strongly felt that no individual should face undue challenges in changing that trajectory no matter the timing of their decision to do so.

Individuals classed as "Mature Students" will have the opportunity to enroll into OLS Academy's Primary Care Program via an alternate admissions path.

A Mature Student is an applicant who:

- Is at least **21 years** of age AND DOES NOT meet the admission requirements for direct acceptance via the traditional admissions pathway.

The eligibility for Mature Students will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, with the following taken into consideration:

- Work experience
- Panel interview results
- Comportment

Candidates pursuing the Mature Student Pathway to admission, must submit:

Proof of High School graduation or G.E.D.

A Resume with Cover Letter

Regardless of Admission Pathway, all candidates must submit the following:

Proof of a valid Driver's License or Government issued I.D.

Note: A valid Class 4 Driver's License will be required to obtain employment as a Paramedic

A Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Check. (\$20-\$50)

Valid within the past 30 days.

Immunization Record or Proof of Immunity to: (\$0-\$150)

- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)
- Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
- Tetanus
- Diphtheria
- Hepatitis B
- Varicella

Proof of two-step Tuberculosis (TB) screening (\$100-\$200)

Complete the Pre-Selection Package:

- The Candidate Information Form
- The Pre-Selection Self-Interview Questionnaire
- The Interview with a Paramedic Form
- The Professional Reference Form

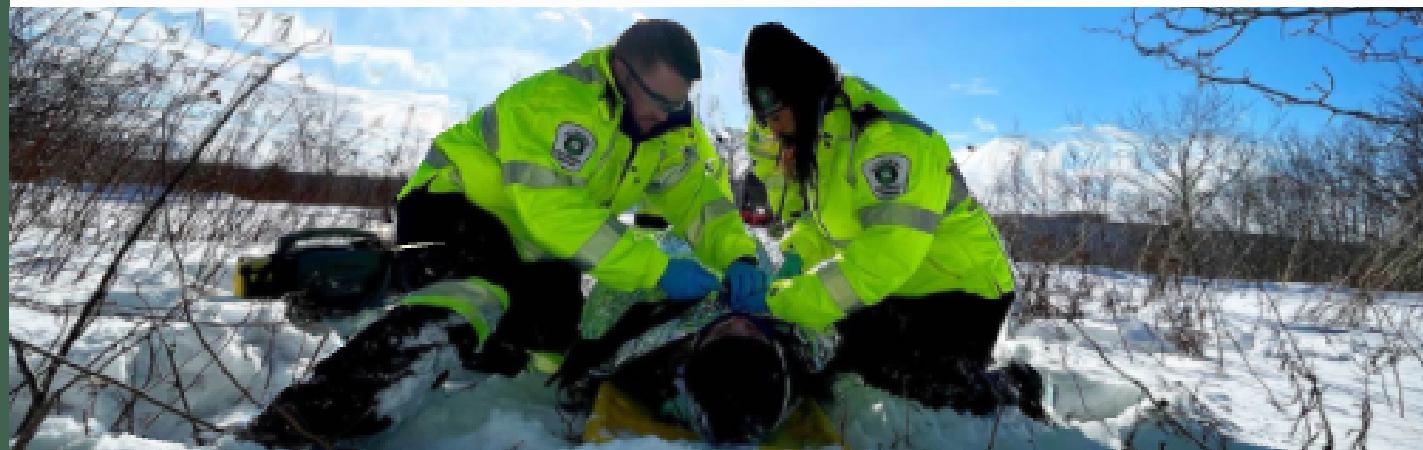
Pay Application Fee (\$100 plus HST)

Note: Additional fees may be incurred for items such as a Criminal Record Check, Immunizations, Blood work, and TB Screening. These fees remain the responsibility of the applicant.

Simulation Program

OIS Academy's Simulation Program is designed to help students seamlessly transition from the classroom to the real-world.

Using tools such as our iSimulate REALTi 360 system and our fully functional Ambulance Simulator, our team of Simulation Based Educators immerse students into scenes that blur the lines between the classroom and the real-world.



Graduate Success Rate

Based on results from Provincial and National Paramedic Licensing Exams.

HOW TO APPLY?



You can submit your prerequisites in person at our Moncton Campus or via email using the details below:



Moncton Campus

107-607 St. George Blvd.

Moncton, N.B.

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M-F | 9:00am - 3:00pm

1 866 830 - 4277

Email

academy@omnilifesupport.com

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Candidate Information Form

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Pre-Selection Self-Interview Questionnaire

Please provide responses to the following questions **on a separate, typed document** and attach it to this form to be submitted along with the rest of the Pre-Selection Package. This component is graded, and you will receive a total of 50 points. (10 points for each question)

Question 1:

Why have you chosen to pursue a career as a Paramedic?

Question 2:

What quality or qualities do you possess, that you feel will help you throughout your career as a Paramedic?

Question 3:

What aspect of yourself will you need to work on during your studies at OLS Academy, to help you to become the best Paramedic you can be?

Question 4:

What is one of the greatest challenges that you have had to overcome? Please indicate what strategies you used to overcome this challenge.

Question 5:

A Paramedic career can be quite stressful. How are you at dealing with stressful situations? Please explain how you would cope with the weight of a stressful career.



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Interview with a Paramedic

In the space provided, complete an interview with a Paramedic, by obtaining answers to the questions listed below:

Date:

Paramedic Name:

Q1: What is your favorite part about being a Paramedic?

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Q2: What advice do you have for someone entering a Paramedic program?

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Q3: What is one treatment, procedure, or piece of equipment, to which you do not currently have access, but that you wish you did in order to help in your day-to-day practice? Why?

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Q4: What personal characteristics do you think are essential for a Paramedic to have in order to help them to be proficient at their job?

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Professional Reference

A professional reference is a recommendation from a person who can vouch for your suitability for a particular role. A professional reference for an experienced worker is typically a former employer or a supervisor.

Recent graduates might also ask teachers, coaches, and school personnel. The key is picking references who have observed you acting in a productive capacity where you displayed your skills and work habits.

Note: No immediate family members may be used as a professional reference.

Name of Candidate:

Name of Reference:

How do you know the candidate?

How long have you known the candidate?

How would you rate the candidate's performance in the following areas?

| Skill / Attribute | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor |
|---|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Ability to get along well with others | | | | |
| Accountability | | | | |
| Time-management | | | | |
| Communication | | | | |
| Reliability and dependability | | | | |
| Ability to work under pressure | | | | |
| Suitability to the role of a Paramedic? | | | | |



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Professional Reference – *Continued*

Please provide answers to the following questions:

1. In your opinion, what are the candidate's strengths?

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2. In your opinion, what are the candidate's weaknesses?

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Additional Comments:

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Please provide your contact information should we need to follow-up with you regarding the candidate.
Thank you!

Email: _____ Telephone: (____) _____ - _____

Signature: x _____