

# **South Central College**

# **ICP 1020 Pharmacology For EMS**

# **Course Outcome Summary**

#### **Course Information**

**Description** The intent of this course is to introduce the student to basic pharmacological

concepts, principles of drug safety and basic drug categories. Legal aspects of drug administration, drug standards, and use of reference material will be included. Specialized medications utilized in ALS transports will also be discussed. This

course will have a primary focus on specific drugs used by paramedics.

Total Credits 3
Total Hours 64

# **Types of Instruction**

Instruction Type Credits/Hours

Classroom Presentation

On-Campus Lab

#### **Pre/Corequisites**

Admission into the Paramedic Program. All Classes must be taken in sequence.

## **Institutional Core Competencies**

Communication - Students will be able to demonstrate appropriate and effective interactions with others to achieve their personal, academic, and professional objectives.

Critical and Creative Thinking - Students will be able to demonstrate purposeful thinking with the goal of using a creative process for developing and building upon ideas and/or the goal of using a critical process for the analyzing and evaluating of ideas.

# **Course Competencies**

1. Integrate pathophysiological principles of pharmacology and the assessment findings to formulate a field impression and implement a pharmacologic management plan.

**Learning Objectives** 

Assess the pathophysiology of a patient's condition by identifying classifications of drugs Integrate pathophysiological principles of pharmacology with patient assessment. Given a scenario, differentiate the and administer the appropriate medication based on the field impression.

2. Use universal precautions and body substance isolation (BSI) procedures during medication

#### administration.

#### **Learning Objectives**

Demonstrate universal precautions and body substance isolation (BSI).

Demonstrate proper handling and disposal of sharps and unused medications.

#### 3. Demonstrate administration of oral medications.

## **Learning Objectives**

List indications and contraindications of oral medications.

Given a scenario, select and administer the appropriate oral medication.

## 4. Demonstrate administration of medications by the inhalation route.

## **Learning Objectives**

List indications and contraindications of medications administered via inhalation.

Given a scenario, select and administer the appropriate inhalation drug.

## 5. Demonstrate administration of medications by the gastric tube.

## **Learning Objectives**

List indications and contraindications of medications administered via NG tube.

Given a scenario, select and administer the appropriate medication via NG tube.

## 6. Demonstrate preparation and administration of parenteral medications.

### **Learning Objectives**

List indications and contraindications of medications administered by parents.

Given a scenario, select and administer the appropriate parenteral medication.

#### 7. Demonstrate preparation and techniques for obtaining a blood sample.

## **Learning Objectives**

List indications and contraindications for drawing a blood sample.

Demonstrate appropriate BSI

#### 8. Demonstrate accurate calculations in medication administration.

#### **Learning Objectives**

Given a scenario, integrate pharmacological principles to select the appropriate drugs and dosage.

Given a scenario, demonstrate the administration of the appropriate drug and dose.

#### 9. Demonstrate accurate calculations in continuous infusion medication administration.

#### **Learning Objectives**

Given a scenario, integrate pharmacological principles to select the appropriate drugs for infusion.

Given a scenario, demonstrate the administration of the appropriate infusion and dose.

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