

Student Spotlight



Name:
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Hometown:
North Reading, MA

“This is my passion. Pro EMS Center for MEDICS has been everything I wanted it to be. It is helping me reach my goals and make my dreams a reality.”

Background

I was born and raised in New England. I grew up in North Reading and I'm now in Topsfield, MA. My late grandfather was an Air Force gunner and his story really encouraged me to do something out of the ordinary with my life. I graduated from Masconomet Regional High School and worked in retail for a time before enrolling in Fire Science courses at North Shore Community College. Becoming a firefighter was immediately my passion, and I became an EMT shortly thereafter.

The town of Topsfield hired me as a Call Firefighter in 2013. Captain Jen Collins Brown of Topsfield Fire really inspired me in my role, and I soon realized that I could combine my interests and work to become a paramedic firefighter. I went on to work for Northeast Regional Ambulance in Beverly, MA. I really love it there, and am continuing to work part-time throughout my paramedic training.

Why train as an EMT at Pro Center For MEDICS?

I chose Pro EMS Center for MEDICS because of its outstanding reputation. The more I researched it, the more I fell in love. It is the most in-depth, intensive program around, offering a great assortment of hands-on learning opportunities including simulation labs, outstanding clinical rotations, and extensive ride time.

The instructors and my classmates are amazingly supportive and dedicated. They push you to be your absolute best, and I am confident that I am being well-trained for my career as a paramedic firefighter. The program is tough and students need to be ready to work hard, but the instructors are incredible and the relationships I am building are amazing. I wouldn't trade this experience for anything!

The opportunities for hands-on, in-depth learning are tremendous. My clinical rotation at The Cambridge Hospital taught me so many valuable skills, especially the importance of patience and communication. I improved my ability to interact with patients, and really saw how teamwork is the lynchpin of great patient care.

When I made it to my ride time, I was so excited to finally be able to practice all of my skills, solidifying the knowledge and information I have worked so hard to learn. Opportunities to be in the field are irreplaceable, and they are one of the most exciting and satisfying things about the Pro EMS Center for MEDICS program.

Looking Toward the Future

When I finish the Pro EMS Center for MEDICS program and pass the national registry exam, I would like to work full-time at Northeast Regional Ambulance Service as a paramedic while pursuing a bachelor's degree in Emergency Management. Hopefully I will be able to move from there into a full-time role as a paramedic firefighter. I couldn't be happier in my career in paramedicine. Loving your job is the best way to work!

About Pro EMS Center for MEDICS

As the first nationally accredited paramedic program in the state of Massachusetts, Pro EMS Center for MEDICS offers a rigorous paramedic program, as well as a variety of specialty courses that are designed to allow EMS service providers to achieve the highest standards in the industry.

The Center works with all members of the EMS community – from EMTs and Paramedics to Firefighters, Police Officers, Military Personnel, Physicians, and Nurses. It is the first EMS educational facility in Massachusetts to be accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). The Center is also accredited by Massachusetts Department of Public Health as a Training Institution.

For more information about Pro EMS Center for MEDICS, please visit www.centerformedics.com or call (617) 682-1811.

Student Profile

Brittany Taylor Works Toward Dream of Becoming a Paramedic Firefighter

Brittany Taylor was born and raised in New England. She spent her early years in North Reading, MA before moving to Topsfield, MA where she currently resides. Brittany's father owns his own home heating oil company and her mother is a bookkeeper for a veterinarian in New Hampshire. However, her late grandfather was an Air Force gunner and he "got her wheels turning about doing something out of the ordinary."

In 2012, she graduated from Masconomet Regional High School. At that time, she decided not to attend college, but instead began working in retail. In the spring of 2013, still undecided about her future, Brittany enrolled in fire science courses at North Shore Community College in Danvers MA. Brittany almost immediately realized her life's passion—being a firefighter. She became an EMT and the Town of Topsfield Fire Department hired her as a Call Firefighter.

A female captain at Topsfield Fire Department became a role model for Brittany, always reminding her of the endless things she can accomplish. "Women are very respected in my department, which I found out only after a few shifts of working in Topsfield," said Brittany. "Co-workers have never put me down or ridiculed me for my gender. The department would absolutely not tolerate it. I work just as hard as the men—and even harder—to prove myself as a competent firefighter and EMT."

Northeast Regional Ambulance in Beverly, MA, a company that provides 911 services for all of Beverly and Topsfield, hired Brittany in August, 2014. She loves working there with the supportive staff, coworkers, and management.

Brittany wants to be a paramedic firefighter. She chose Pro EMS Center for MEDICS because of their outstanding reputation. "Pro EMS Center for MEDICS is the best, and they consistently produce well-trained, well-rounded Paramedics that can handle the intense and emotional situations of emergency medicine," echoed Captain Jen Collins Brown from the Topsfield Fire Department.

"It is the most in-depth, intensive program around, but the instructors and my classmates have nothing but support for one another. The faculty is always willing to answer your questions, no matter how basic they may be. They push you to be your absolute best, and I would ask nothing less from a program that is training me for such an important career."

"There is nothing like doing something you love and enjoy. I am glad that being a woman in EMS shows girls that these 'man' jobs are possible for a woman, and gender issues should never drive you away from your passion."

Brittany's goal is to finish the Pro EMS Center for MEDICS program and successfully pass the national registry exam. She would like to work full-time at Northeast Regional Ambulance as a paramedic and also pursue a bachelor's degree in Emergency Management. "This is my passion and I plan to make it happen," concluded Brittany. "Pro EMS Center for MEDICS has been everything I wanted it to be. It is helping me reach my goals and make my dreams a reality."