

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item: 3.5 Kent State University, Geauga Campus, Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Emergency Medical Services Technology

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Kent State University, Geauga Campus, Associate of Technical Study  
degree in Emergency Medical Services Technology

## **BACKGROUND**

### **Kent State University, Geauga Campus**

Associate of Technical Study degree in Emergency Medical Services Technology

In response to the growing need for qualified supervisory personnel in the emergency medical services field, Kent State University, Geauga Campus has developed an Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Emergency Medical Services Technology. The new program will elevate the knowledge and skills of certified paramedics to prepare them for a wide range of supervisory and administrative positions within the emergency, medical and health care profession. The program will combine the additional course work required, the additional training needed and relevant work experience required for completion of this degree.

The Geauga Campus Emergency Medical Services Technology Advisory Committee comprising representatives from local fire and police departments, paramedic professionals, hospital physicians, and others assisted in the development of the curriculum and course content. The program will grant certified paramedics a total of 30 semester credit hours in recognition of the training needed to become a certified paramedic. Students enrolled in the program will have successfully completed the state certified paramedic program and passed the paramedic certification examination.

Graduates of the program will find career opportunities as operation managers for local fire and emergency departments, executive directors of emergency and home safety organizations, emergency medical hospital managers, and others.