



Paramedic Program

Information Packet

The Paramedic Program is 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 Profession
(CoAEMSP)

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General Information

This program is a limited access program, which means program admission and course registration are restricted to a limited number of students each semester due to student-faculty ratios and clinical resources. A student first will be admitted to Pensacola State College, and after satisfying all admission requirements for this program, the student is considered for admission to the Technical Certificate in Paramedic (PARAM-CT) program. The program accepts 24 students each Fall semester and is four terms.

Program Admission Requirements

- High School Diploma or GED; and
- College Application; and
- Florida EMT License.

When the student has met the program admission requirements, the student's application is evaluated by the Office of Admissions and ranked according to the date on which the student completed the final requirement. Students are selected in that rank order.

Program Progression Requirements

Progression through the Technical Certificate in Paramedic program requires the following.

- A grade of C or higher in courses in the curriculum.
- Satisfactory completion of clinical requirements which include the following:
- Level II FDLE background screen;
- Urine drug screen;
- Immunizations and Vaccines; and
- Current American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers certification

Program Completion Requirements

- Earn a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in all courses applicable to the program of study.
- Meet the academic residence requirement of completing at least 25% of the program with classes at Pensacola State College.

Occupational Risks

Provision of emergency medical services poses inherent occupational risks for EMS responders. Risks include the following.

1. Violence/assaults
2. Verbal threats/aggression
3. Motor vehicle crashes
4. Infectious disease
5. Lifting injuries
6. Sprains and strains
7. Psychological trauma
8. Hazardous chemical exposure
9. Hyper/hypothermia

PARAM-CT Certificate Requirements:

Fall		Semester 1	College Credits
BSC	1080	Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology	3
BSC	1080L	Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology lab	1
EMS	2613	Patient Assessment	1
EMS	2614	Airway Management/Respiratory Emergencies	3
EMS	1601	Introduction to Advanced Pre-Hospital Care	1
EMS	2231L	Paramedic Lab I	3
TOTAL			12 hours
Spring		Semester 2	
EMS	1683	Fundamentals of Advanced Pre-Hospital Care	1
EMS	1654L	Paramedic Field/Clinical Experience I	3
EMS	2627	Medical Emergencies	4
EMS	1612	Cardiovascular Emergencies	2
EMS	2232L	Paramedic Lab II	2
TOTAL			12 hours
Summer		Semester 3	
EMS	2681	Special Considerations in Pre-Hospital Care	1
EMS	2680	Behavioral Emergencies	1
EMS	2628	OB/GYN/Neonatal/Pediatric Emergencies	2
EMS	2655L	Paramedic Field/Clinical Experience I	3
EMS	2682	Advanced Pre-Hospital Trauma Management	2
EMS	2236L	Paramedic Lab III	3
TOTAL			12 hours
Fall		Semester 4	
EMS	2656L	Paramedic Field/Clinical Internship	5
EMS	2460L	Advanced Clinical Practice	1
TOTAL			6 hours
PROGRAM TOTAL			42 hours

Expenses (Expenses are approximate and subject to change.)

Paramedic Certificate Only	In-State	Alabama Residents	Out of State
Pensacola State College Matriculation Fee (first time students)	30.00	30.00	30.00
Tuition 42 credits Per credit hour: \$104.58 FL Resident AL Resident \$114.58 \$419.76 Out-of-State	4,392.36	4,812.36	17,629.92
Lab Fees	439.00	439.00	439.00
Books	600.00	600.00	600.00
Uniforms	150.00	150.00	150.00
Preclinical Physical Examination and Immunizations (Approx.)	300.00	300.00	300.00
Program Total	\$5,911.36	\$6,331.36	\$19,148.92

ADA Services

Students with a disability that falls under the Americans with Disability Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, it is the responsibility of the student to notify Student Resource Center for ADA Services to discuss any special needs or equipment necessary to accomplish the requirements for this course. Upon completion of registration with the Student Resource Center for ADA Services office, specific arrangements can be discussed with the instructor.

Notice Regarding Changes to Policies

The provisions of this publication are not to be construed as a contract between the student and Pensacola State College. The College reserves the right to change any provision or requirement when such action becomes necessary. Program requirements may change due to regulatory rules, accreditation standards, health recommendations, or program needs. Students are advised to work closely with the counselors/advisors to remain up to date on program requirements.

Positive Drug Screen Policy

Students who test positive on the required drug screen and cannot provide appropriate documentation to the Medical Review Officer explaining the positive result will not be able to attend clinic and will not progress in the program.

Contact Information

Who Can I Call If I Have Questions About the Program or The Application Process?

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