

PARAMEDIC, CERTIFICATE - PMD7

The Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - Paramedic Certificate is designed for students currently working in the fire/rescue field who are certified as either South Carolina EMT or National Registry EMT. This certificate can be completed in three semesters with a total of 40 credit hours. Upon completion of this certificate program, students will be eligible to take the National Registry Paramedic Exam.

Admission: Acceptance into Piedmont Technical College's Paramedic Certificate program is competitive and requires a secondary application to begin fall semester. See the college calendar or website for application dates.

To become eligible for entry into the Paramedic major studies coursework, applicants must complete the following:

1. Complete the following courses (minimum "C" required):

Courses	Course Title	Credit Hours
BIO 112	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	4

2. Good academic standing at the college.

Students are required to maintain a current American Heart Association "Basic Life Support" certification throughout the major studies courses.

Requirements

Courses	Course Title	Credit Hours
Required Course Information		
BIO 112	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	4
EMS 113	Advanced Management of the Trauma Patient	1
EMS 116	Advanced Cardiac Life Support Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
EMS 117	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1
EMS 118	Advanced Medical Life Support	1
EMS 119	Emergency Medical Service Operations	2
EMS 150	Introduction to Advanced Care	5
EMS 223	Paramedic Clinical I	2
EMS 224	Paramedic Clinical II	2
EMS 230	Advanced Emergency Medical Care I	5
EMS 238	Paramedic Ambulance Field Experience I	3
EMS 240	Advanced Emergency Medical Care II	5
EMS 241	Paramedic Clinical III	2
EMS 248	Paramedic Ambulance Field Experience II	2
EMS 272	Paramedic Capstone	4
Subtotal		40
Total Hours		40

Graduation Plan

Acceptance into Piedmont Technical College's Paramedic Certificate program is competitive and requires a secondary application to begin fall semester. The program ready course requirement can be taken in the Fall or Spring term prior to program admission.

Fall Start

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall Semester		
BIO 112	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	4
Hours		4

Second Year

Course	Title	Hours
Fall Semester		
EMS 118	Advanced Medical Life Support	1
EMS 119	Emergency Medical Service Operations	2
EMS 150	Introduction to Advanced Care	5
EMS 223	Paramedic Clinical I	2
EMS 238	Paramedic Ambulance Field Experience I	3
Hours		13

Spring Semester

Course	Title	Hours
EMS 116	Advanced Cardiac Life Support Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
EMS 117	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1
EMS 224	Paramedic Clinical II	2
EMS 230	Advanced Emergency Medical Care I	5
EMS 248	Paramedic Ambulance Field Experience II	2
Hours		11

Summer Semester

Course	Title	Hours
EMS 113	Advanced Management of the Trauma Patient	1
EMS 240	Advanced Emergency Medical Care II	5
EMS 241	Paramedic Clinical III	2
EMS 272	Paramedic Capstone	4
Hours		12
Total Hours		40

Spring Start

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Spring Semester		
BIO 112	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	4
Hours		4
Fall Semester		
EMS 118	Advanced Medical Life Support	1
EMS 119	Emergency Medical Service Operations	2
EMS 150	Introduction to Advanced Care	5
EMS 223	Paramedic Clinical I	2

EMS 238	Paramedic Ambulance Field Experience I	3
	Hours	13
Second Year		
Spring Semester		
EMS 116	Advanced Cardiac Life Support Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
EMS 117	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1
EMS 224	Paramedic Clinical II	2
EMS 230	Advanced Emergency Medical Care I	5
EMS 248	Paramedic Ambulance Field Experience II	2
	Hours	11
Summer Semester		
EMS 113	Advanced Management of the Trauma Patient	1
EMS 240	Advanced Emergency Medical Care II	5
EMS 241	Paramedic Clinical III	2
EMS 272	Paramedic Capstone	4
	Hours	12
	Total Hours	40

Application Process

This is a limited enrollment program that has special admissions requirements. These requirements must be completed before you can be accepted.

If you are a new student, there are three key steps to complete before entering the program:

- Step 1: Apply to the college and complete the enrollment process (<https://www.ptc.edu/admissions/new-students/>)
- Step 2: Take the necessary courses and testing (if required) to become Program-Ready
- Step 3: Apply to the program

Are you Program-Ready?

Before applying for program entry, be sure you meet the requirements for acceptance. Start by connecting with an advisor and review program requirements.

We've also provided the resources below to assist you with the program acceptance process.

Fact Sheet

Fact Sheets are designed for students and advisors to review program-specific requirements and program application procedures. Please make an appointment with your advisor to discuss your academic goals and progress, and to develop your individualized degree plan.

Review the Fact Sheet (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/pmd-factsheet.pdf)

Application Worksheet

The application worksheet is used to calculate points toward competitive program entry.

Review the Worksheet (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/pmd-app-worksheet.pdf)

Health Care FAQ

We strongly recommend that students review the Health Care Division FAQ to be fully aware of our program entry requirements.

Learn More (<https://www.ptc.edu/academics/schools-programs/health-care/program-ready-resources/health-care-faq/>)

Apply to the Program

Once you've taken the necessary steps to become program ready, it's time to apply to the program.

Applications are accepted for the fall entry into college healthcare programs on the following schedule:

- Application Dates - May 1-16
- Notification of Program Acceptance Emails Sent - Mid June*

Program applications must be submitted during the scheduled dates for this program to be considered.

Note: If you haven't already done so, you must apply to the college (<https://www.ptc.edu/admissions/new-students/>) before completing the program application.

Complete The Program Application (<https://dynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com/casAuthentication.aspx?InstID=1044802d-1272-4242-821c-3b248559b0d0&targetUrl=https%3a%2f%2fdynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com%2fSubmit%2fStart%2f9e57b481-713b-4fd3-99c5-26593359bc42>)

* Students accepted into any Healthcare program will be required to attend a program orientation. Accepted students will NOT be excused from attending this mandatory orientation.

Current Student Program Resources

Paramedic Handbook

Read the Handbook (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/pmd-handbook.pdf)

Health Care Division Handbook

This handbook is designed to be utilized in conjunction with the PTC Academic Catalog, PTC Student Calendar and Handbook and PTC Health Care webpages. Please refer to them for additional information.

Read the Handbook (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/hc-handbook.pdf)

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Paramedic Certificate is to prepare competent entry-level Paramedics in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains with or without exit points at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician and/or Emergency Medical Technician, and/or Emergency Medical Responder levels.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- Comprehend, apply, and evaluate information relative to the role of an entry level Paramedic.
- Demonstrate technical proficiency in all of the skills necessary to fulfill the role of an entry level Paramedic.
- Apply behaviors consistent with professional and employer expectations of an entry-level paramedic.
- Comprehend basic EMS (Emergency Medical Services) knowledge necessary to function in a healthcare setting.

Accreditation Information

The EMT-Paramedic program at Piedmont Technical College has been issued a Letter of Review by the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). This letter is NOT an accreditation status; it is a status signifying that a program seeking initial accreditation has demonstrated sufficient compliance with the accreditation Standards through the Letter of Review Self-Study Report (LSSR) and other documentation. Letter of Review is recognized by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) for eligibility to take the NREMT's Paramedic credentialing examination(s). However, it is NOT a guarantee of eventual accreditation.

Program Outcomes

No graduates during the 2019 reporting year.

Paramedic Program Outcomes 2020 (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/paramedic_program_outcomes.pdf)

Paramedic Program Outcomes 2021 (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/paramedic_program_outcomes%202021.pdf)

Paramedic Program Outcomes 2022 (https://www.ptc.edu/sites/default/files/documents/new_healthcare_documents/paramedic_program_outcomes_2022.pdf)