



PROGRAM

ECC offers a program of study leading to an Associate of Applied Science degree and Certificate of Achievement in paramedic technology. Students in the program receive instruction in the recognition, treatment and transport of patients with medical emergencies and trauma.

To achieve licensure as a paramedic, students studying at ECC comply with U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines. These guidelines require that students first complete coursework leading to licensure as an Emergency Medical Technician-Basic prior to entering the paramedic technology certificate or degree program.

Courses combine classroom and laboratory activities with clinical experiences in an acute care setting. This provides the student with the opportunity to learn skills and techniques to be applied in the actual work setting. The program of study is accredited by the Missouri Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and prepares students for national licensure.



EMPLOYMENT & SALARY OPPORTUNITIES

By 2026, the number of positions is expected to increase by 15.1%, per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Earnings of EMTs and paramedics depend on the employment setting and geographic location of their jobs, as well as their training and experience. Mean annual earnings of EMTs and paramedics were \$38,170 in 2020 for the state of Missouri.



The East Central College Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of EMS Programs (CoAEMSP).

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CAREER

People's lives often depend on the quick reaction and competent care of emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and paramedics. Incidents as varied as automobile accidents, heart attacks, slips and falls, childbirth and gunshot wounds all require immediate medical attention.

EMTs and paramedics provide this vital service as they care for and transport the sick or injured to a medical facility.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To enter the program, students must have completed:

- High school diploma or the equivalent
(documentation must be sent to the registration office)
- Application for admission to ECC
- A placement test as specified by the college
(please note: some coursework requires minimum placement results)
- Accumulative college GPA of 2.0 or better
- Completion of pre-requisites with a "C" or better
- Satisfactory criminal background check and drug screening



TRANSFER OPTIONS

The AAS degree is designed for students seeking employment immediately upon graduation. However, many of the credits, particularly the general education electives received with this degree, may qualify as transfer credit by four-year schools.

Spring Semester

• COL*100	Campus Orientation	0.0
• COL*101	Falcon Seminar: Health Science (CA)	1.0
• EMS*101	BLS/Healthcare Providers (CA)	0.5
• EMS*109	EMT Clinical (CA)*	1.0
• EMS*110	EMT Lecture (CA)*	8.0
• BIO*151	Introduction to A&P	4.0

Total: 14.5

Fall Semester

• EMS*152	Paramedic 1 (CA)	7.5
• EMS*161	Clinical I (CA)	2.0
• EMS*162	Paramedic 2 (CA)	7.5

Total: 17.0

Spring Semester

• EMS*104	ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support)	1.0
• EMS*105	Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (CA)	1.0
• EMS*131	Pediatric Advanced Life Support (CA)	1.0
• EMS*201	Paramedic 3 (CA)	7.5
• EMS*202	Clinical II	2.0
• EMS*212	Paramedic 4 (CA)	7.5

Total: 20.0

Summer Semester

• EMS*231	Paramedic 5 (CA)	1.0
• EMS*290	Paramedic Field Internship (CA)	5.0
• CORE 42	Core 42 Written Communications	3.0

Total: 9.0

Fall Semester

• CORE 42	Core 42 Civics	3.0
• PSC*Civics	Civics Achievement Exam	0.0
• CORE 42	Core 42 Oral Communications	3.0
• SOC*101 or 211/ PYS*101	General Sociology or Human Relations or General Psychology	3.0
• MTH*102 or higher	Business Mathematics or higher	3.0-5.0

Total: 12.0-15.0

AAS PROGRAM (62-71.5 credit hours)

This program of study is for a full-time student; part-time study is also available. Please contact an academic advisor for full course options. All academic schedules are subject to change. Many of these courses are also part of the Certificate of Achievement program (CA). For the most current schedule, or to view the Certificate Program, visit www.eastcentral.edu.

*Or current licensure as MO-EMT Basic

** Or current BLS for Healthcare Provider