

PARAMEDIC - Certificate Program - Non-Credit

Workforce Development and Continuing Education —Public Safety Center

The Paramedic certificate prepares students to deliver therapy to patients prior to their arrival in hospital emergency rooms. Students are trained in life-support procedures performed by following orders of physicians sent by radio or by following standard medical protocols. Students must have a current Pennsylvania EMT or National Registry EMT or AEMT certification. The 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 Professions (CoAEMSP). The complete program is available at the Harrisburg Campus.

Selective Program: Entry into this program is not guaranteed with admission to the College; this is a selective and competitive admission program, specific admissions criteria must be met. Please go to the Public Safety Center website, (www.hacc.edu/PublicSafetyCenter) or contact us by email at start@hacc.edu for specific program entry requirements.

Career Opportunities

Graduates are employed as paramedics by hospitals and independent emergency service organizations. (SOC Code: 29-2041 Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics)

Competency Profile

This curriculum is designed to prepare students to:

- Administer standard emergency treatments
- Work effectively with other healthcare professionals
- Demonstrate the skills prescribed by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of the Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Personnel (CoAEMSP)
- Take the paramedic certification examination administered by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians
- Recognize how specialized training fits into the healthcare delivery system

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (TOTAL CREDITS = 915.50 hours)

Students must successfully complete all required practical skills and achieve at least a 70% on all quiz and exam scores in order to continue with program.

Program/Course Sequence:

1. EMS CE195 Advanced Life Support 1	100 hours
2. EMS CE196 Advanced Life Support 2	317 hours
3. EMS CE197 Advanced Life Support 3	239 hours
4. EMA CE198 Advanced Life Support 4	259.5 hours