

# PARAMEDIC

**Online and Lincoln Campus**



[www.southeast.edu/Paramedic](http://www.southeast.edu/Paramedic)



**Associate of Applied Science Degree**

Credit Hours Required for Graduation:  
Associate of Applied Science Degree: ..... 60.0



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*If you thrive under pressure and enjoy helping people in distress, consider a career as a paramedic. SCC's Paramedic program takes its place in the industry very seriously by educating personnel for this fast-paced, ever-changing world of paramedicine.*



## Program Overview

Paramedics provide medical care by preventing or reducing mortality and morbidity due to illness and injury. Paramedics primarily provide emergent and non-emergent care to patients in and out of hospital settings.

As a patient advocate, paramedics seek to be proactive in positively affecting long-term health care by working in conjunction with other provider agencies, networks and organizations. These emerging roles and responsibilities of the paramedic include community healthcare, public education, health promotion and participation in injury and illness prevention programs. These are in addition to more traditional roles in pre-hospital medicine with ambulance services, fire departments, and flight programs, as well as within hospital critical access care areas.

## Options

Students are highly encouraged to complete general education/prerequisite courses prior to starting the program classes. Some classes can be completed during the program. Please contact the Health Sciences Advisor to get started.

Paramedic program classes begin in the fall term.

Students can complete classes either online or face-to-face. All labs are face-to-face on campus. Hands-on experience is gained through clinical and field experiences in hospitals, fire departments and ambulance services.

### Full-time traditional option

Classes and labs are face-to-face on the Lincoln Campus and can be completed in one year (two semesters, one summer term).

### Part-time online option

Classes are taken online with labs face-to-face one day a week on the Lincoln Campus. This option can be completed in two years (four semesters, two summer terms).

Graduates of the program receive an Associate of Applied Science degree and are eligible to take the National Registry certifying examination.



## Top Career Options

- Paramedic
- Inpatient Emergency Care
- Ambulance Services
- Health Education



## Graduate Earnings

Recent graduates report an average starting wage of \$20.45 per hour.

The Paramedic program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs ([www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP), 8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312, Rowlett, TX 75085, [www.coaemsp.org](http://www.coaemsp.org). Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763, 727-210-2350, [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)

2019-2020 Tuition/Fee Rate Per Credit Hour	
Nebraska Resident	\$108
Out-of-state tuition/fee rate	\$129
Estimated Expenses	
Tuition/Fees	\$6480
Books	588
Special Fees	4409
Tools/Supplies	0
<b>Total: \$11,477</b>	



## Special Program Requirements

1. All students must receive a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 in the general education courses and a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 in the science courses. Science courses include Anatomy, Physiology, Chemistry, Biology, Microbiology, Physics and Basic Nutrition. General education courses include oral communication, written communication, math, social science, computer technology and related courses required by the programs, such as Medical Terminology.
2. A current Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Health Care Provider (HCP) by American Heart Association or American Red Cross CPR card is required.
3. Submit completed health statement to the Health Sciences Division.
4. A Criminal Background Check will be required of each student in this program. Based on the background check, a student may be prevented from taking certain courses, accessing certain laboratory experiences, or completing the program. A non-refundable fee of \$45 will be assessed for this CBC. Please note: Misdemeanor or felony convictions may prevent a graduate from acquiring National Registry certification or a state license. (Contact the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians and the state of Nebraska EMS program with questions.)
5. A two-step skin test for tuberculosis and/or a chest X-ray are required. Flu immunization may be required.
6. All PARM courses completed with a grade of 75% (C+) or higher to progress through the program.
7. Students must either be nationally registered as an EMT or be licensed as an EMT in the state of Nebraska before starting the Paramedic program.
8. Students admitted to a Health Sciences program at Southeast Community College requiring a clinical rotation at a contracted healthcare facility will submit to initial drug and alcohol testing prior to the first clinical rotation. SCC will assess a non-refundable fee of \$35 to student account.

## Admission Requirements

1. Online application to the program
2. Submit program admission requirements (see program admission checklist and criteria on program website for requirements): [www.southeast.edu/paramedic/](http://www.southeast.edu/paramedic/)
3. Transcripts from high school, GED® or other colleges (if applicable)

## General Education and Program Requirements

Must be completed to graduate from the program:

Oral Communications		3.0
SPCH1110	Public Speaking (recommended)	
Written Communications		3.0
ENGL1010	English Composition I (recommended) or	
ENGL1110	Business Communication	
Plus EMT and one course from each of the following core categories:		
Critical Thinking and Problem Solving		4.0
BIOS1140	Human Anatomy with Lab	
BIOS2250	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	
Analytical, Qualitative, and Scientific Reasoning		4.0
BIOS2130	Human Physiology with Lab	
BIOS2260	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	
Career and Life Skills		
MATH1040	Business Math (or higher)	3.0
EMTL1305	EMT-Emergency Medical Technician	8.0
Plus one elective course 1.0 credit hours or more		
Recommended:		
ACFS1015	Success at SCC	
MEDA1101	Basic Medical Terminology	
		26.0 hours

## Paramedic Core Courses

PARM1112	Introduction to Paramedicine	2.0
PARM1115	Electrophysiology in Paramedicine	2.0
PARM1116	Patient Assessment	2.0
PARM1117	Paramedic Lab I	1.0
PARM1118	Airway Management	2.0
PARM1119	Practicum I	2.0
PARM1121	Pharmacology	3.0
PARM1123	Medical Emergencies in Paramedicine	3.0
PARM1127	Paramedic Lab II	1.0
PARM1129	Practicum II	2.0
PARM1131	Special Populations	2.0
PARM1141	Trauma	2.0
PARM1142	Rescue Operations	2.0
PARM2900	Paramedic Capstone	8.0
		34.0 hours

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Advanced placement is any process where a program formally recognizes prior learning of a student and applies that recognition toward meeting the program requirements. Advanced placement is applied on a case-by-case basis and allows a student to "place out" of a specified program didactic, laboratory, clinical, or field requirements. This may shorten the time to complete the program and is an alternative pathway to program completion and eligibility for the National Registry or state examination at the paramedic level.

Advanced placement students may be, but are not limited to, one of the following:

- Licensed Physicians
- Registered Nurses
- Out-of-state Paramedics
- Non-CAAHEP Paramedic program graduates
- Students who have completed a program and have been unable to pass the National Registry Exam
- Current licensed Paramedics seeking an associates degree.
- U.S. military medics

