

EMS PROGRAMS

Admission Requirements



Application deadline: July 1st

Revised 2019



EMS PROGRAMS TUITION AND FEES

Please contact the Business office and Campus bookstore for current tuition and fees associated with the paramedic program.

EMS PROGRAMS LIST OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

The EMS Program essential functions include but are not limited to the ability to:

Physical Demands:

- a) Have the physical ability to walk, climb, crawl, bend, push, pull, lift, and balance over less than ideal terrain
- b) Have good physical stamina and endurance, which would not be adversely affected by having to lift, carry and balance at times, in excess of 125 lbs, 250 lbs with assistance
- c) See different color spectrums
- d) Have good hand eye coordination and manual dexterity to manipulate equipment, instrumentation and medications

Requirements for problem solving abilities, data collection, judgment and reasoning

- a) Be able to send and receive verbal messages as well as be able to operate appropriately the communication equipment of current technology
- b) Be able to collect facts and to organize data accurately to communicate clearly both orally and in writing in the English language
- c) Be able to differentiate between normal and abnormal findings in human physical conditions by using visual, auditory, olfactory and tactile observations
- d) Be able to make good judgment decisions and exhibit problem-solving skills under stressful situations
- e) Be attentive to detail and be aware of standards and rules that govern practice and implement therapies based upon mathematical calculations (9th grade level)
- f) Possess sufficient emotional stability to be able to perform duties in life or death situations and in potentially dangerous social situations, including responding to calls in districts known to have high crime rates
- g) Be able to handle stress and work well as part of a team
- h) Be oriented to reality and not mentally impaired by mind-altering substances



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- i) Not be addicted to drugs
- j) Be able to work shift of 24 hours
- k) Be able to tolerate being exposed to extremes in the environment including variable aspects of weather, hazardous fumes, and noise
- l) Possess eyesight in a minimum of one eye correctable to 20/20 vision and be able to determine directions according to a map. Students who desire to drive an ambulance must possess approximately 180 degree peripheral vision capacity and must possess a valid driver's license and must be able to safely and competently operate a motor vehicle in accordance with state law.



EMT BASIC

Emergency Medical Technician

Emergency Medical Technician is a one-semester instructional program that prepares individuals to provide basic emergency medical care and transportation for critical and emergent patients who access the emergency medical system. Emergency Medical Technicians function as part of a comprehensive EMS response, under medical oversight, trained in airway management, communications, documentation, general pharmacology, hemorrhage control, ambulance operations, and splinting of adult, pediatric, and infant patients; and special care of patients exposed to heat, cold, radiation, or contagious disease. Students who complete the program are eligible to take the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Exam and become state certified.

Course Number and Name: EMS 1117 Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

Description: This course includes responsibilities of the EMT during each phase of an ambulance run, patient assessment, emergency medical conditions, appropriate emergency care, and appropriate procedures for transporting patient.

Hour Breakdown: Semester Credit Hours: 7; Lecture: 4; Lab Clinical: 3; Contact Hours: 165

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be eligible to take the National Registry Examination.

Priorities for Admission:

1. Ambulance Personnel
2. Rescue Personnel
3. Hospital Emergency Care Personnel
4. Fire Department Personnel
5. Law Enforcement Personnel
6. Civil Defense Workers

PLEASE NOTE: All students are accepted provisionally pending all required paperwork and a clear criminal background check.



EMCC Admission Procedure:

1. Go to <http://www.eastms.edu/> and select the “Apply Now!” link to submit an online application for admission to East Mississippi Community College.
2. A copy of the applicant’s valid driver’s license showing the applicant to be 18 years old before the beginning date of the EMT class
3. An official transcript from the applicant’s high school showing date of graduation or official GED transcript showing high school equivalency
4. Submit official transcripts from **all colleges** previously attended. Transcripts cannot be stamped “issued to student”
5. A minimum ACT composite of 16, if taken after October 1989, or 12 if taken before October 1989.

EMS Program Admission:

After the deadline you will be notified if you have been selected for pending admission. If you accept a slot in the program, you will be sent an information packet to complete. It is your responsibility to be sure that all of your paperwork is on file prior to the deadline.

6. A copy of current Valid CPR (AHA Healthcare Provider level or ARC CPR for Professional Rescuer) certification Card.
7. Physically fit based on a physical examination by physician (dated within 30 days prior to beginning date of class).
8. Evidence of measles and mumps vaccination or evidence of immunity documented by having one of the following:
 - a. Documentation of having received two (2) live measles vaccinations (MMR) after first birthday.
 - b. Documentation of having had physician-diagnosed measles
 - c. Laboratory evidence of measles/mumps immunity, or
 - d. Birth before 1957 and with Rubella immunity.
9. Proof of Diphtheria/Tetanus (must be dated within 10 years)
10. Proof of Polio vaccine



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11. A negative **two step TB skin Test**- a negative Chest X-ray or QuantiFERON results in lieu of skin test for students with history of positive skin tests. This is a yearly requirement. A copy of the results of the test must be submitted annually.
12. Proof of vaccination for Hepatitis B or a waiver signed by students who choose not to protect themselves with the vaccination series.
13. Flu vaccines are required by clinical facilities. Students who are unable to or choose not to take the flu vaccine will be required to wear a face mask from October until March when entering a clinical site.
14. All pending students must have a drug screen performed at a time and location designated by the school. No other results will be accepted. Offer of admission will be rescinded if the student fails to keep the assigned time or location of their drug screen for any reason. All non-negative drug screens will be reviewed on a case by case basis prior to final acceptance into the SUT program. Cost of the drug screen is the responsibility of the applicant.
15. Pursuant to Section 37-29-232 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, and Section 43-11-13 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, nursing and allied health students must submit to a fingerprint background check prior to any clinical activity in a licensed healthcare facility. Each student pending admission must receive a “clear” criminal background check in order to be fully admitted to the program.



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Payment for the background check is the responsibility of the student. In addition to the disqualifiers listed in section 43-31-13, (felony possession of or sale of drugs, murder, manslaughter, armed robbery, rape, sexual battery, any sex offense listed in Section 45-33-23(f), child abuse, arson, grand larceny, burglary, gratification of lust, aggravated assault, or felonious abuse and/or battery of a vulnerable adult, or that any such conviction or plea was reversed on appeal or a pardon was granted for the conviction or plea.) a healthcare facility has the right to deny any student access to their facility for clinical purposes that they feel is unsuitable for employment or for the clinical setting. If a student is barred from **any clinical agency for any reason** they will not be eligible to enter or continue in the program. Payment for the criminal background check is the responsibility of the student and must be made at the time of application. **All fingerprinting for the criminal background check must be completed by the first week of class. All pending students must have a criminal background check performed at a time and location designed by the school.**

The number of students accepted into each class may be limited due to available space, equipment, funds, etc. Because of this, it is important to be prompt in meeting deadlines on required paperwork.

* EMT Refresher Training, a periodically-required review course for Registered Emergency Medical Technicians, and Emergency Medical Responder Training, a course designed to provide training in all aspects of emergency medical care required by the first person (First Responder) at the scene of an accident or sudden illness are offered through EMCC Workforce Services.



PARAMEDIC PROGRAM

The paramedic program is a two year Associate Degree Program that starts in the Fall Semester only. We also offer a Certificate Program for those who already have a degree. You must complete EMT-Basic and be nationally registered and State certified to apply.

In order to be considered for admission to this class, you **must** have the following information on file in the Paramedic department before you can register for classes:

PLEASE NOTE: All students are accepted provisionally pending all required paperwork and a clear criminal background check.

EMCC Admission Procedure:

1. Completed application to EMCC Golden Triangle go to <http://www.eastms.edu/> and select the "Apply Now!" link to submit an online application for admission to East Mississippi Community College.
2. An official transcript from the applicant's high school showing date of graduation or official GED transcript showing high school equivalency.
3. Submit official transcripts from **all colleges** previously attended. Transcripts cannot be stamped "issued to student"
4. Anatomy and Physiology I completed, with at least a grade of C.
5. ACT composite of 16, if taken after October 1989, or 12 if taken before October 1989

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6. A copy of current Valid CPR (AHA Healthcare Provider level or ARC CPR for Professional Rescuer) certification Card.
7. Physically fit based on a physical examination by physician (dated within 30 days prior to beginning date of the EMT class).
8. Evidence of measles and mumps vaccination or evidence of immunity documented by having one of the following:
 - a. Documentation of having received two (2) live measles vaccinations (MMR) after first birthday.
 - b. Documentation of having had physician-diagnosed measles



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- c. Laboratory evidence of measles/mumps immunity, or
 - d. Birth before 1957 and with Rubella immunity.
9. Proof of Diphtheria/Tetanus (must be dated within 10 years)
10. Proof of Polio vaccine
11. A negative **two step TB skin Test**- a negative Chest X-ray or QuantiFERON results in lieu of skin test for students with history of positive skin tests. This is a yearly requirement. A copy of the results of the test must be submitted annually.
12. Proof of vaccination for Hepatitis B or a waiver signed by students who choose not to protect themselves with the vaccination series.
13. Flu vaccines are required by clinical facilities. Students who are unable to or choose not to take the flu vaccine will be required to wear a face mask from October until March when entering a clinical site.
14. A current copy of your EMT-Basic Certification (Nationally Registered and State Certified).
*State certification can be obtained after classes begin, but must be completed prior to clinical rotations.
15. All pending students must have a drug screen performed at a time and location designated by the school. No other results will be accepted. Offer of admission will be rescinded if the student fails to keep the assigned time or location of their drug screen for any reason. All non-negative drug screens will be reviewed on a case by case basis prior to final acceptance into the SUT program. Cost of the drug screen is the responsibility of the applicant.
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manslaughter, armed robbery, rape, sexual battery, any sex offense listed in Section 45-33-23(f), child abuse, arson, grand larceny, burglary, gratification of lust, aggravated assault, or felonious abuse and/or battery of a vulnerable adult, or that any such conviction or plea was reversed on appeal or a pardon was granted for the conviction or plea.) a healthcare facility has the right to deny any student access to their facility for clinical purposes that they feel is unsuitable for employment or for the clinical setting. If a student is barred from **any clinical agency for any reason** they will not be eligible to enter or continue in the program. **All fingerprinting for the criminal background must be completed by the first week of class. All pending students must have a criminal background check performed at a time and location designed by the school.**



PROGRAM OF STUDY

The Paramedic Program is a two (2) year Associate Degree program that prepares the student for service in the pre-hospital emergency medical setting. The Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. Course topics include emergency pharmacology, cardiology, 12 lead EKG interpretation, invasive procedures, advanced cardiac life support, and pediatric advanced life support. On successful completion of the course of study students will be eligible to sit for the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians examination.

Classroom instruction is comprehensive including a working knowledge of all anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiological processes as well as competency-based instruction in assessment and management skills required for treatment of life-threatening problems in the adult, pediatric, and geriatric patient. Clinical internship requires participation in care of patients in a hospital emergency department that provides medical control to Advanced Life Support providers in the field and, according to availability, Critical Care Unit, Intensive Care Unit, labor and delivery suite, operating room, psychiatric, pediatric, and geriatric wards. Field internship is with local Advanced Life Support Ambulance services.

A student successfully completing the program will receive an Associate of Applied Science degree from the College and be eligible to take the National Registry Exam as an EMT-Paramedic. This training program is sanctioned by the Mississippi State Board of Health. The course meets or exceeds those standards established by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration/U.S. Department of Transportation.

Paramedic Certificate Program Option:

An optional pathway to obtain certification is to become a Paramedic through the EMCC Certificate program. By following the Certificate route, the student is required to meet the prerequisites for the program. They must then complete the three semester Paramedic program. Upon successful completion of the program the Paramedic candidate will receive a certificate which will certify the candidate to take the National Registry exam for Paramedics.



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FIRST SEMESTER

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| EMS | 1133 | Foundations of Paramedicine | 3 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 1213 | Concepts of Airway and Respiratory Medicine | 3 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 1325 | Concepts of Cardiovascular Medicine | 5 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 1514 | Practicum I | <u>4 Semester Hours</u> |
| | | | 15 Semester Hours |

SECOND SEMESTER

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| EMS | 1713 | Concepts of Neurological Medicine..... | 3 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 1913 | Concepts of Reproductive Medicine..... | 3 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 2314 | Medical Emergencies of the Secondary Assessment | 4 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 2715 | Concepts of Traumatic Medicine | 5 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 1525 | Practicum II | <u>5 Semester Hours</u> |
| | | | 20 Semester Hours |

THIRD SEMESTER

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| EMS | 2912 | Concepts of EMS Operations | 2 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 2934 | Paramedic Capstone | 4 Semester Hours |
| EMS | 2566 | Practicum III | <u>6 Semester Hours</u> |
| | | | 12 Semester Hours |



REQUIRED GENERAL EDUCATION CORE COURSES

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| BIO | 2514 | Anatomy & Physiology I | | 4 Semester Hours |
| BIO | 2524 | Anatomy & Physiology II | | 4 Semester Hours |

To receive the Associate of Applied Science Degree, a student must complete all of the required coursework found in the Career Certificate option, Technical Certificate option and a minimum of 15 semester hours of General Education Core. The courses in the General Education Core may be spaced out over the entire length of the program so that students complete some academic and Career Technical courses each semester or provided primarily within the last semester. Each community college will specify the actual courses that are required to meet the General Education Core Requirements for the Associate of Applied Science Degree at their college. The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Commission on Colleges Standard 2.7.3 from the Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement¹ describes the general education core.

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| Humanities/Fine Arts | | 3 Semester Hours |
| Social/ Behavioral Sciences | | 3 Semester Hours |
| Math/Science | | 3 Semester Hours |
| Other Academic Courses | | <u>6 Semester Hours</u> |
| | Total | 15 |

Hours

Anatomy & Physiology I can be used as the Math/Science credit



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THE APPLICATION PROCESS CHECKLIST:

1. Go to <http://www.eastms.edu/> to submit an online application for admission to East Mississippi Community College. Acceptance to East Mississippi Community College does not guarantee acceptance to the EMS program. Letters of pending acceptance will come from the Director of Emergency Medical Services Technology.
2. Fill out an application for the School of Emergency Medical Services Technology (included in this packet). This application should be returned to the address listed on the EMS application. Make sure to include any documentation needed for extra points on the scoring sheet.
3. Request transcripts to be sent to EMCC from all other educational institutions you have attended - this includes high school. (Transfer Request Form included in this packet) Make sure you request transcripts from all schools attended.
4. Make sure your ACT scores (minimum composite score 16, if taken after October 1989, or 12 if taken before October 1989) are on file in the admissions office or schedule and take your ACT before the published deadline.
5. After the deadline you will be notified if you have been selected for pending admission. If you accept a slot in the program, you will be sent an information packet to complete. It is your responsibility to be sure that all of your paperwork is on file prior to the deadline. Remember, just because you requested a document to be sent to EMCC does not mean that it was actually sent or received.



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION

Please return application to: Emergency Medical Services Technology Program
Attention: Yolandra Beck
Phone: 662.243.2613 or 662.243.2614
East Mississippi Community College PO Box 100
Mayhew, Mississippi 39753

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (EMS)
Deadline for completed admission requirements (Application, ACT, and transcripts):
July 1st

Personal Information

Name: Last First Middle Maiden

Social Security Number:

Address: Street Apt. # P.O. Box City State Zip Code

Email address:

Telephone #s: Home Cell

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name Relationship Contact number



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Academic Information*

High School Attended: _____ Graduation Date: _____

School Address, City, State: _____ GED Test: Yes__ No__

List all colleges attended (including EMCC):

| Name and location of institution | Dates attended | Major or area of Study | Degree Awarded |
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* An official transcript from all educational institutions attended and/or GED results must be mailed to:

Admissions
 East Mississippi Community College
 P.O. Box 100
 Mayhew, Mississippi 39753

Proof of Credentials/Licensures Information*

| Name of facility previously or currently employed as a healthcare worker | Healthcare Position/Title | Credentials/Licensure |
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- Have you ever been convicted of, pled no contest to, or are charges pending against you for a felony or misdemeanor in any state/jurisdiction? YES ___ NO ___
- I state that the foregoing statements in this application are true and accurate.
- I am aware that omission of transcripts from other schools attended, or any false, misleading, or incomplete statements made on this application could be grounds for non-admission to, or later dismissal from, the Emergency Medical Services Technology Program.

Signed _____ Date _____



Non-Discrimination Policy

East Mississippi Community College is committed to assuring that the college and its programs are free from discrimination and harassment based upon race, color, ethnicity, sex, pregnancy, religion, national origin, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, status as a U.S. veteran, or any other status protected by state or federal law.

The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

Theresa Harpole
Director of Human Resources
P.O. Box 158, Scooba, MS 39358
Telephone: 662.476.5274
Email: tharpole@eastms.edu

Compliance Contacts Statement

The following offices have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

Office of the District Director of Human Resources, Payroll and EEOC/OCR
1512 Kemper Street
Scooba, Mississippi 39358
662.476.5274

Office of the Dean of Students & District Director of Recruitment
District Disability Services Coordinator
8731 South Frontage Road
Mayhew, MS 39753
662.243.1979

Office of the Executive Vice President
Title IX Coordinator
8731 South Frontage Road
Mayhew, MS 39753
662.243.1900



Official Transcript Request Form

Please send an official copy of my transcript to the address checked below.

If you plan to attend the Scooba Campus, Meridian Navy Base Extension, or Macon Extension use this address:

- East Mississippi Community College • Office of Admissions • P.O. Box 158 • Scooba, MS 39358 662-476-8442

If you plan to attend the Golden Triangle Campus or Columbus Air Base Extension use this address:

- East Mississippi Community College • Office of Admissions • P.O. Box 100 • Mayhew, MS 39753 662-243-1900

Last School/College Attended

Date of Attendance or Graduation

Name (Please use name you were enrolled under)

Student's Current Address (Number or Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Student's Email Address

Date of Birth Social Security Number

Signature Date

Please send transcript: Immediately After grades are posted After graduation

Note: On high school transcript, please show date of graduation, ACT/ SAT scores, and principal's signature.

Do Not Mail This Form Back To EMCC. Complete It And Mail To Last School Attended. Make Sure You Send The Appropriate Transcript Fee With This Request. Athletes Must Provide Transcripts from All Colleges Previously Attended.