



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SCIENCE AAS DEGREE BRIDGE CURRICULUM SHEET

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The Emergency Medical Science (EMS) Bridge Program is a degree completion track allowing currently certified, non-degree paramedics to earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Emergency Medical Science.

The following steps must be completed **prior** to enrolling in the EMS Bridge Program:

- Complete an application for general admission to Pitt Community College.
- Submit official transcript from high school or high school equivalency diploma. Applicants with a bachelor's degree are exempt.
- Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- Meet with assigned Advisor.
- Check your myPittCC email account for important announcements on a regular basis.
- Read the [Health Sciences Essential FAQs](#).

Enrolling in EMS courses is not allowed until the requirements below are met. Until these requirements are met, students are enrolled as an Associate in General Education major or special credit student.

- Must hold current NC or National Registry Paramedic Certification (Certification must remain current while enrolled in the program. Certification cannot expire.)
- Must be eligible for **ENG 111 without a corequisite** (successful completion of ENG 111 with a C or better will satisfy this requirement)
- Must be eligible for **MAT 110 without a corequisite** (successful completion of MAT 110 with a C or better will satisfy this requirement).

Sample Course Plan: Students may complete the EMS courses in two semesters if general education courses are completed prior to enrolling in the program. A maximum of 9 general education credit hours may be transferred to PCC. The remaining general education and EMS credit hours must be completed at PCC.

SEMESTER	COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
Spring/Summer	BIO 161*	Intro to Human Biology (3)	3	DRE 098 or ENG 002 with grade P1 or ENG 111
Spring/Summer	ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	DRE 097 or ENG 002 or BSP 4002; Corequisite: ENG 011 if applicable
Spring/Summer	MAT 110	Mathematical Measurement & Literacy	3	[DMA 010, DMA 020, and DMA 030] or DMA 025 or MAT 003 or BSP 4003; Corequisite: MAT 010 if applicable
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Spring	ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disc	3	ENG 111
Spring	EMS 125	EMS Instructor Methodology	3	None
Spring	EMS 140	Rescue Scene Management	2	EMS 110
Spring	EMS 150	Emergency Vehicles & EMS Comm	2	None
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Summer	EMS 280	EMS Bridging Course	3	None
Summer	HUM 115 or PHI 240	Critical Thinking or Introduction to Ethics	3	HUM 115: DRE 098 or ENG 002 or BSP 4002 PHI 240: ENG 111
Summer	PSY 150	General Psychology	3	DRE 098 or ENG 002 with grade P1
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*There is no time out for BIO.

Students who hold a current NC or National Registry Paramedic Certification is awarded articulated credit for the following EMS courses:

EMS 110	EMT (9)	EMS 231	EMS Clinical Practicum III (3)
EMS 122	EMS Clinical Practicum I (1)	EMS 240	Patients w/Special Challenges (2)
EMS 130	Pharmacology (4)	EMS 241	EMS Clinical Practicum IV (4)
EMS 131	Advanced Airway Mgmt (2)	EMS 250	Medical Emergencies (4)
EMS 160	Cardiology I (3)	EMS 260	Trauma Emergencies (2)
EMS 210	Advanced Patient Assessment (2)	EMS 270	Life Span Emergencies (4)
EMS 220	Cardiology II (3)	EMS 285	EMS Capstone (2)
EMS 221	EMS Clinical Practicum II (2)		

Total Credits for AAS Degree: 75

A grade of C or better is required in all courses to graduate from the EMS Program.

To apply to the EMS Program, contact Health Sciences Admissions at 252-493-7473 or hltscadm@email.pittcc.edu

Graduates of this program are not eligible to take the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) Paramedic credentialing examination unless the graduate completed a Committee on Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs accredited paramedic program or paramedic program that holds a Letter of Review from the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions after January 1, 2013. Any student who graduated from a state approved paramedic program prior to January 1, 2013 is eligible to sit for the NREMT Paramedic credentialing examination.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to complete a clinical practicum. Clinical facilities may require criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship prior to or during participation in the clinical portion of a program. Any expenses associated with these requirements are the responsibility of the student. Pending the outcome, clinical facilities may deny a student the opportunity to complete the clinical portion of a program. A student who is unable to complete the clinical portion of a program will not be able to graduate. Criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship may also be required after graduation by examination boards, state licensing boards, and employment agencies. Pending the outcome, a graduate may be disqualified from examination eligibility, state licensure, and/or employment.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to have a physical examination to determine if they are physically and emotionally capable of performing the essential functions of the program and must submit a completed medical form. A record of immunizations, including, but not limited to, an annual Influenza vaccine and the COVID-19 vaccine must be included with the medical form. A medical or religious exemption for vaccines must be approved by the clinical site(s). PCC does not grant vaccine exemptions in lieu of the clinical site(s) and does not guarantee vaccine exemptions will be approved by the clinical site(s).

Programs at PCC that prepare students for professional licensure are designed to prepare a student to apply for applicable licensure in North Carolina. In order to ensure whether the program meets requirements for professional licensure outside North Carolina, PCC recommends the student contact the program director prior to enrolling in the program.

It is the policy of PCC not to discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, handicap, religion, age, or national origin in the recruitment and admission of students; the recruitment, employment, training, and promotion of faculty and staff; and the operation of any of its programs and activities, as specified by federal laws and regulations. PCC is an equal opportunity institution.

Health Sciences admissions policies are not to be regarded as an irrevocable contract between PCC and students. PCC reserves the right to change any provisions or requirements at any time. Every effort will be made to minimize the inconvenience such changes create for students.