



# Emergency Medical Services Program Admission Information & Requirements 2022

## General Information

Luzerne County Community College offers a certificate (CS.ALS) and Associates Degree (AAS.EMS) Emergency Medical Services Paramedic Program. The Paramedic curriculum is designed to prepare competent EMS Providers for entry level positions in prehospital care. Candidates must successfully complete the clinical and classroom cognitive, psychomotor, and affective requirements to enable participation in the National Registry and Pa. State cognitive and psychomotor examinations.

*"The LCCC 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)." Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763 [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org). Committee on Accreditation for the EMS Professions, 8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312, Rowlett, Tx 75088 [www.coaemsp.org](http://www.coaemsp.org). The Program has been accredited by the Pa. Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services.*

## Goals

The program provides the student the opportunity to:

- provide emergency care in challenging environments using critical thinking skills
- integrate skills and knowledge while performing advanced life support to patients seeking emergency medical services

## Learning Objectives

- demonstrate professional behavior consistent with program and employer expectations as advanced-level prehospital provider.
- demonstrate the ability to evaluate patients and apply approved treatment protocols based on findings as advanced-level prehospital providers.
- demonstrate skill proficiency during simulations, clinical, and field rotations as an advanced-level provider.

## Admission

Admission into the Emergency Medical Service-Paramedic is selective and limited to 25 candidates based on program and accreditation standards. General admission to the College and meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee acceptance to the Emergency Medical Services Program. The Paramedic Program admissions are determined on a point scale and screening process. The EMS Program will notify perspective candidates of the admission process including personal interviews, program standards, guideline review, and Platinum Education EMS Entry Assessment. Acceptance to the Paramedic Program is conditional until all clearances and background checks have been verified through the LCCC Health Sciences Department. Applicants not accepted are required to reapply each year. The College reserves the right to exercise discretion to select the most qualified candidates based on employer recommendations, interview, and entry assessment scores.

## Application Deadline: July 1st

It is the applicant's responsibility to assemble and submit all required application materials by the application deadline to be considered for admission. Students not submitting required documents may not be considered or dismissed from the program.

## **Admission Requirements**

### **Apply for admission**

Complete the general college application for admission. Indicate AAS.EMS or CS.ALS as your intended major.

### **Submit Official Transcripts**

- Submit your official high school transcripts or GED. If you previously attended LCCC and did not enroll within the previous two years you will need to resubmit your high school transcripts.
- Submit official transcripts from all previously attended colleges and universities. Student-issued or unofficial transcripts are not accepted for transfer evaluation credit. Submit college/university transcripts to the LCCC Registrar Office.

### **Complete pre-requisite courses**

Applicants seeking Certificate of Specialization (CS.ALS) must provide documentation of Pa. Department of Health, Bureau of EMS, Emergency Medical Technician.

### **Criminal Background Checks & Screenings**

Due to mandated regulations by area clinical agencies in which LCCC Health Science students participate in clinical rotations, acceptance into the Emergency Medical Services Paramedic Program is conditional based on the following background checks and screenings: Pennsylvania Access To Criminal History(P.A.T.C.H.), PA Child Abuse Clearance, 10 panel drug screening, FBI fingerprint-based background screen, Office of Inspector General background screening for suspensions or disbarment from Federal Programs, and Department of Motor Vehicle driver license screening for any prior or current history of DUI. All background check forms are provided to students by the Emergency Medical Services Department during the interview and/or acceptance process. Students will be required to satisfy these background checks and screenings before final notice of acceptance. If any report indicates a positive criminal history or a student incurs a positive criminal history while attending the Emergency Medical Services Program, they will be prohibited or dismissed from the Program. Students are also required to submit a physician-completed Health Form to College Health Services before final acceptance or continuance in the Paramedic Program. This document must state the student is in good physical and mental health, free from any communicable disease and is physically and mentally capable of fulfilling all duties as required by the Emergency Medical Services Paramedic Program. For more information, regarding background checks and screenings refer to the College Catalog, or contact the Health Science Department Clerk at 1-800-377-5222, Ext. 7427.

### **Financial Aid**

Financial aid may be available to full-time and part-time students. Financial Aid programs include the Federal Pell Grant, PA State Grant (PHEAA), Federal Direct Loan, Federal College Work Study, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG). Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine eligibility. For more information please contact the Financial Aid Office at 1-800-377-5222, ext. 7354 or [www.luzerne.edu/financialaid](http://www.luzerne.edu/financialaid)

### **Tuition**

Full-time students who register for 12-18 credit hours will be charged a flat tuition rate, plus course fees. Part-time students who register for 1-11 credit hours will be charged per credit hours tuition, plus course fees. For more information, please refer to the tuition and fees chart in the College Catalog or website

### **Transfer Students**

If you attended another college or university, you must submit your official transcripts from all other colleges/universities for course evaluation and transfer of credit. Prerequisite and general education courses can be completed at another college or university. Paramedic Program specific coursework must be completed at Luzerne County Community.

**ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT-PARAMEDIC**  
 Certificate of Specialization  
 CS.ALS

**Required Courses**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>EMS 101</b>	EMS Pharmacology	3
<b>EMS 201</b>	Paramedic (Part A)	7
<b>EMS 202</b>	Paramedic (Part B)	7
<b>EMS 203</b>	Paramedic (Part C)	7
<b>EMS 205</b>	Advanced Practice	5
<b>EMS 209</b>	Emergency Vehicle Operation	1
<b>EMS 210</b>	International Trauma Life Support	1
<b>EMS 211</b>	Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
<b>EMS 212</b>	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1

**Recommended Sequence**

<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 201</b>	Paramedic (Part A)	7
<b>EMS 209</b>	Emergency Vehicle Operation	1
		<i>Total: 8</i>
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 103</b>	EMS Pharmacology	3
<b>EMS 202</b>	Paramedic (Part B)	7
<b>EMS 210</b>	International Trauma Life Support	1
<b>EMS 211</b>	Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
		<i>Total: 12</i>
<b>SUMMER SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 203</b>	Paramedic (Part C)	7
<b>EMS 212</b>	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1
<b>EMS 205</b>	Advanced Practice	5
		<i>Total: 13</i>

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CURRICULUM OF STUDY**  
Associate in Applied Science Degree (AAS.EMS)

**Required Courses**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>BIO 130</b>	Basic Anatomy	3
<b>EMS 101</b>	Emergency Medical Technician	6
<b>EMS 103</b>	EMS Pharmacology	3
<b>EMS 201</b>	Emergency Med. Technician Paramedic (Part A)	7
<b>EMS 202</b>	Emergency Med. Technician Paramedic (Part B)	7
<b>EMS 203</b>	Emergency Med. Technician Paramedic (Part C)	7
<b>EMS 204</b>	Emergency Medical Services Management	3
<b>EMS 205</b>	Advanced Paramedic Practice	5
<b>EMS 209</b>	Emergency Vehicle Operations Class (EVOC)	1
<b>EMS 210</b>	International Trauma Life Support	1
<b>EMS 211</b>	Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
<b>EMS 212</b>	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1
<b>ENG 101</b>	English Composition	3
<b>ENG 261</b>	Technical Communications	3
<b>FYE 101</b>	First Year Experience	1
<b>EMS 207</b>	Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) or Health and Physical Education Elective	1
<b>CIS 110</b>	Computer Literacy and Applications or Math Elective	3
<b>PSY 103</b>	General Psychology	3
<b>SOC 101</b>	Principles of Sociology	3

**Recommended Sequence**

<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 101</b>	EMT Course	6
<b>ENG 101</b>	English Composition	3
<b>*FYE 101</b>	First Year Experience	1
<b>PSY 103</b>	General Psychology	3
<b>HPE or EMS 207</b>	Health and Physical Education Elective <i>or</i> EMS 207 – CPR	1
		<i>Total: 14</i>
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 204</b>	EMS Management	3
<b>ENG 261</b>	Technical Communications	3
<b>CIS 110</b>	or Math Elective	3
<b>SOC 101</b>	Principles of Sociology	3
		<i>Total: 12</i>

<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 201</b>	Paramedic (Part A)	7
<b>EMS 209</b>	Emergency Vehicle Operations	1
<b>**BIO 130</b>	Basic Anatomy	4
		<i>Total: 12</i>
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 202</b>	Paramedic (Part B)	7
<b>EMS 210</b>	International Trauma Life Support	1
<b>EMS 211</b>	Advanced Cardiac Life Support	1
<b>EMS 103</b>	EMS Pharmacology	3
		<i>Total: 12</i>
<b>SUMMER SEMESTER</b>		
<i>Course Code:</i>	<i>Course Name:</i>	<i>Credits:</i>
<b>EMS 203</b>	Paramedic (Part C)	7
<b>EMS 212</b>	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	1
<b>EMS 205</b>	Advanced Practice	5
		<i>Total: 13</i>
		<b>Total Credits for Degree: 63</b>

Notes: \*FYE-101 first time students only  
\*\*BIO 130 consists of lecture and lab