

Emergency Medical Services Program

Admission Requirements

Applicants must apply and be accepted to the College prior to applying to the EMS program. Once accepted into the College, the applicant must complete the Allied Health Application and be accepted into the EMS program before they are eligible for EMS courses. In addition, the entrance into the program depends on the applicant's ability to perform the essential functions identified by the Alabama Department of Public Health, Office of EMS and Trauma as documented by the physical exam.

Level specific requirements:

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

- Unconditional admission to the College
- Age of 18 years within 90 of completion of the program
- Compass Placement Test is required or ACT scores of 20 or higher in Mathematics, English, and Reading
- Minimum of 2.0 grade point average (GPA) at LBWCC
- Submission of approved health forms (physical exam and vaccinations)
- Must complete background check and drug screen

Advanced EMT (AEMT)

- Unconditional admission to the College
- Age of 18 years within 90 days of completion of the program
- Compass Placement Test is required or ACT scores of 20 or higher in Mathematics, English, and Reading
- Minimum of 2.0 grade point average (GPA) at LBWCC
- Submission of approved health forms (physical exam and vaccinations)
- Must complete background check and drug screen
- Current EMT Licensure with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Office of EMS and Trauma. (Provisional admission to the program may be allowed for students who have completed an approved EMT training program, but have not received licensure. ALL AEMT students must have a current Alabama EMT licensure prior to midterm exams or they must withdraw from the program). AEMT students will not be allowed to participate in clinical activities without a current Alabama EMT licensure.

Paramedic

- Unconditional admission to the College
- Age of 18 years within 90 days of completion of the program
- Compass Placement Test is required or ACT scores of 20 or higher in Mathematics, English, and Reading
- Minimum of 2.0 grade point average (GPA) at LBWCC

- Submission of approved health forms (physical exam and vaccinations)
- Must complete background check and drug screen
- Eligibility for English 101 and Math 100
- Completion of Biology 201 (Human Anatomy and Physiology I)
- Math 100, English 101, Speech 106, Psychology 200, and Biology 202 must be completed prior to entering the last semester
- Current AEMT Licensure with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Office of EMS and Trauma. (Provisional admission to the program may be allowed for students who have completed an approved AEMT training program, but have not received licensure. All paramedic students must have a current Alabama AEMT licensure prior to midterm exams or they must withdraw from the program). Paramedic students will not be allowed to participate in clinical activities without a current Alabama EMT licensure.

Contractual agreements between the College and clinical agencies may impose additional requirements on students enrolled in health programs. These requirements include, but are not limited to, the areas of attire, confidentiality, criminal background check, liability insurance, and substance abuse screening.

PROGRESSION: A minimum grade of 75 is required for the progression to the next Emergency Medical Services (EMS) courses in the program's required course sequence.

READMISSION: Students who do not continue in the program for consecutive terms are subject to the most current college catalog and State of Alabama Department of Public Health – Office of EMS and Trauma policies for the latest term of admission. No more than 15 months may lapse between attempts at courses in the 200 level paramedic sequence without a repeat of the entire field of concentration curriculum sequence. Student who have been removed from the program due to violations may not be readmitted.