



EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN - BASIC

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

The EMT-Basic Program at Tacoma Community College trains students in **fundamental** emergency medical procedures including, but not limited to:

- HIV/HBV Prevention
- Baseline Vitals
- Lifting and Moving of Patients
- Airway Management
- Communication and Documentation
- General Pharmacology
- Respiratory, Cardiovascular, Behavioral and other Emergencies
- Bleeding and Shock
- Injuries to Head and Spine
- Diabetes and Allergies
- Poisonings
- Infant and Child Emergency Care

This course adheres to the U.S. Department of Transportation Guidelines and the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services standards. Admission into the EMT-Basic (EMC110) course is regulated by the State of Washington.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will receive a Certificate of Completion from Tacoma Community College. This will enable them to participate in the national registry testing process (NREMT). **Please note: Students must have either their high school diploma or GED, and be at least 18 years of age to sit for the NREMT and obtain Washington State certification.** After successfully passing this exam, the student will be eligible to apply for work as an EMT.

The EMT-Basic course helps students partially fulfill prerequisites for entry into the EMS-Paramedic Program at Tacoma Community College. Students seeking additional information or detailed application requirements for the Paramedic Program are encouraged to visit: https://www.tacomacc.edu/academics-programs/programs/ems/paramedic_program.

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FUTURE OFFERINGS

The EMT- Basic program is offered every quarter. There is not a formal program application process and students enroll on a first-come, first-served basis during open registration for classes. Classes will meet every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m., and then every other Saturday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (total of 5 Saturdays).

APPROXIMATE PROGRAM COST

FEES	EMC 110 (12 credits) (basic)	EMC 112 (4 credits) (recertification)
Course Fee	\$1500	\$419.00
Textbook with workbook	\$168.95 up to \$237.95	\$168.95 up to \$237.95
National & State Background Check	\$71.80	\$71.80
Parking Permit	\$15.00	\$15.00
Name tag	\$5.50	\$5.50
Drug Testing	\$30.00	\$30.00
Health Immunizations	Up to \$700 (depends on insurance, immunizations)	
TOTAL COST FOR CLASS (see variables)	Up to 2,560.25	Up to \$1479.25

Costs are estimates based on 2018-2019 rates. Due to variations in books, disposables, and other associated costs, prices are subject to change without notice.

- The textbook with workbook should be purchased before the quarter starts.
- The National & State Background Check is provided through Verified Credentials. You will receive instructions for ordering your national & state background check through Verified Credentials on the 1st day of class. Do not order the background check prior to instruction (and receipt of appropriate codes) from the program faculty. Verified Credentials does not offer refunds or credits under any circumstances and proceeding with instruction will result in extra cost for the student.
- The Parking Permit is purchased at the Cashier's office (Bldg. 14), and then may be picked up at the Security office (Bldg. 14).
- Drug Testing: Clinical agencies are required to maintain a drug free workplace that promotes a safe and healthy work environment and is in compliance with applicable laws. Clinical sites may require students in their facilities to complete a drug screen. Additional fees may be incurred by the student.
- Course Fees include costs for Clinical Placements Northwest and NREMT psychomotor exam.
- Immunizations should be started at least 30 days prior to class start.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

- I have graduated from high school or have my G.E.D., or will obtain prior to certification testing.
- I will be 18 years of age prior to clinical placement (by 5th week of quarter, if seeking certification)
- I have a government issued form of photo identification.
- I have Accuplacer assessment exam scores showing placement in Math 085 or higher, and English 085 or higher **or** have unofficial transcripts showing a minimum equivalency credit of English 075 or Math 075.
- I understand that proof of immunizations or immunity by titer are due by the 2nd Monday of class.

For assessment and enrollment information:

www.tacomacc.edu/files/nso/NewStudentOrientationIntroduction/NSO1Intro4

IN-PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

Proof of immunity or proof of vaccinations are mandated by clinical sites and therefore are required for participation in the TCC EMT Basic program. **EMT Basic students must provide documentation of the following during the 1st week of class:**

- Tuberculosis** (must be less than one year from the last date of the quarter you are in class):
 - Option A: Quantiferon blood draw – Can be expensive but is the easiest.
 - Option B: Two step skin test – Affordable but frequently not done correctly.
 - First test administered and then read 48-72 hours later.
 - Second test administered 7-21 days after the first test was administered and then read 48-72 hours later.

Example: 12/1/17 – skin test placed.
12/3/17 – skin test read.
12/8/17 – second skin test placed.
12/10/17 – second skin test read.

If history of a positive TB skin test, a negative chest x-ray report must be submitted.

- Measles (Rubeola), Mumps, Rubella (MMR)**

Option A: Proof of TWO vaccines given at least 28 days apart.

Option B: Proof of immunity by titer.

If vaccinated prior to 1968, must be re-vaccinated.

- Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis)**

Option A: Proof Tdap vaccine less than 10 years old and after turning 18.

Option B: Proof Tdap vaccine after age 18 but greater than 10 years old plus a Td vaccination

Hepatitis B

Option A: Titer draw showing proof of immunity.

Option B: Proof of 3 shot series **PLUS** a titer draw showing proof of immunity.

Option C: Never had the series or had a negative titer result, will need to show proof that have started the series or are restarting the series.

Influenza

Must have been received AFTER August 31 of the academic year. Not required Summer Quarter.

Chicken Pox (Varicella)

Option A: Proof of TWO vaccines given at least 28 days apart.

Option B: Proof of immunity by titer.