



PARAMEDIC PROGRAM APPLICATION

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Thank you for your interest in applying to the Paramedic Program at Tacoma Community College. The deadline for applications to the Paramedic Program is February 27, 2026 at 5 p.m.

If you have questions, please email us at paramedicprogram@tacomacc.edu.

Please submit completed application forms **and** required documentation through the online application. All complete applications received by the deadline will be carefully screened by the selection committee and considered for attendance at the Paramedic Program Selection Conference.

The selection committee will review all complete applications soon after the application closes. Qualified applicants will be invited to attend the Paramedic Selection Conference, which will begin on March 16th. The Paramedic Program Selection Conference will include an information session to explain the expectations of the program and will offer the opportunity for applicants to ask questions.

During the conference, applicants are expected to take a 100-question EMT knowledge written exam, an EMT skills assessment, and a BLS case presentation. Remember, this is an EMT skills evaluation, and applicants will not be tested on any paramedic level knowledge. Specific directions for the process will be provided to qualified applicants prior to the Paramedic Selection Conference.

Tacoma Community College does not discriminate on the basis of: age; sex; marital status; sexual orientation; gender identity; race; creed; color; national origin; citizenship or immigration status; honorably discharged veteran or military status; the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability; the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability; genetic information; or any other protected status, in compliance with applicable state and federal law, including RCW 49.60.530.

TCC's Paramedic Program is designed to prepare graduates to meet Washington State certification requirements, as well as to take the National Registry EMT-Paramedic examination. The program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), 1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756, 727.210.2350. The CAAHEP website is: <http://www.caahep.org/>

In addition to the Paramedic Certificate Program, students have the option to pursue the Associate in Applied Science in Emergency Medical and Health Services degree by completing additional general education courses as outlined in the curriculum. Those general education courses may also be taken prior to beginning the Paramedic Program. Please see the online college catalog for the most current degree plan and program map.

Checklist for Paramedic Program Application

Application Deadline: February 27, 2026 at 5 p.m.

To be eligible to apply, candidates must be at least 18 years of age; possess and maintain a current EMT certification; have a minimum of one-year of pre-hospital experience working as an EMT prior to the application deadline; be fluent in the English language; and adhere to the technical standards and functional requirements of the program and profession.

I have completed and submitted the Paramedic Program online application
https://entry.tacomacc.edu/portal/healthcare_application

I have included a **photocopy** of my current State or National EMT certification/card **(must include date of issue and EMS Number)**.

I have included documentation of at least **one-year** of pre-hospital experience working as an EMT, **on letterhead stationery** from the agency(s) where applicant works (or has worked) as an EMT.

This document must include a good faith estimate of the number of patient contacts from a supervisor or an electronic call log report. Please do not include additional letters of reference or recommendation with your application as they are not factored into the admission process and will not be considered

I have provided **unofficial transcripts** from all colleges previously attended (including TCC).

I have submitted documentation that shows **successful completion of, or current enrollment in, the following prerequisite courses** through unofficial transcripts uploaded in the program application:

Transcripts must show the following courses, or equivalent courses as approved by the Program Chair. Course equivalency is not substitution. Substitutions are not likely to be accepted.

ENGL&101: English Composition I

MATH&146: Introduction to Statistics

HIT 130: Medical Terminology I or
HIT 105: Comprehensive Medical Terminology

BIOL&175 Human Biology w/ Lab or
BIOL&241: Human Anatomy & Physiology I and BIOL&242: Human Anatomy & Physiology II

Pre-requisites should generally be completed no more than seven (7) years prior to applying. Exceptions may be made if completed as part of another degree. If pre-requisite courses are not completed before application submission, they must be completed prior to the start date of the program.

Minimum prerequisite grade requirements:

- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA in prerequisite courses.
- Minimum C (2.0) in each prerequisite course.