

## Emergency Medical Technology-Paramedic Certificate/Area of Specialization (3254)

Paramedic emergency medical technicians work under the direction of a physician to recognize, assess, and manage medical emergencies of acutely ill or injured patients in prehospital care settings. Their goal is to prevent and reduce mortality and morbidity due to illness and injury. Paramedics possess basic skills in opening up airways, restoring breathing, controlling bleeding, treating for shock, and administering oxygen. In addition, paramedics may administer drugs, interpret electrocardiograms, perform endotracheal intubation, and use other complex equipment.

Upon completion of this certificate/area of specialization, students are eligible to take the National Registry Certification exam to become certified in the State of Ohio as a paramedic.

Students must apply for admission to this certificate/area of specialization. Students should contact the Counseling and Advising Center for details about applying for admission to the program.

All students enrolled in a nursing or allied health program/certificate must complete a criminal background check. In accordance with clinical site requirements, students with a criminal record may be ineligible to participate in a clinical course/rotation/practicum. Delays, for any reason, in obtaining background results may cause an interruption in the clinical rotation sequence or inability to complete program requirements. Additional background screening may be required by individual facilities.

Drug testing may be requested in accordance with clinical affiliation requirements and/or for patient/student health and safety.

A minimum GPA of 2.0 and a "C" grade or higher is required in all science and program-specific courses for graduation. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grades may not be used to fulfill health program requirements.

### Admission Procedures

**Students must meet specific admission requirements for this certificate program.**

- Complete college application(s).
- EMTS 2011 Paramedic Beginner has prerequisites that include HLTH 1238 Structure, Function, Disease, and Therapeutics of the Human Body OR both BIOL 2210 Anatomy and Physiology I and BIOL 2220 Anatomy and Physiology II.
- Current Ohio certification as an EMT.
- Current American Heart Association: BLS Provider
- Successful passing score on the required program pre-admission test.
- Meet with a counselor to review program prerequisites and requirements.
- Please contact Health Services immediately to obtain required physical forms at 440.525.7009 or ppastorhinkel@lakelandcc.edu

| Course    | Title                           | Credit Hours |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| EMTS 2011 | Paramedic Beginner              | 13           |
| EMTS 2021 | Paramedic Intermediate A        | 5            |
| EMTS 2031 | Paramedic Intermediate B        | 5            |
| EMTS 2041 | Paramedic Clinical and Capstone | 5            |

**Total Credit Hours** **28**

The Lakeland Community College EMT and 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, 9355 - 113th St. N, #7709, Seminole, FL 33775; 727.210.2350; [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org). To contact CoAEMSP: 8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312, Rowlett, TX 75088; 214.703.8445; Fax: 214.703.8992; [www.coaemsp.org](http://www.coaemsp.org). The EMT and Paramedic Program is also accredited by the Ohio State Board of Emergency Medical Fire and Transportation Services, Ohio Department of Public Safety (state certification), 1970 West Board St., Columbus, OH 43223