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## Paramedic Program

Penn College Workforce Development

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Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

The paramedic program at Penn College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (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. The program is also accredited by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Bureau of EMS.







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### **Program**

If you dream of making a difference as a paramedic, your path starts at Penn College. When seconds count, experience matters, and hands-on learning makes the difference. Here, you'll prepare for your National Registry of EMTs Paramedic examination in one of the oldest accredited paramedic training sites in the nation.

In this fully immersive program, you'll learn everything you need to begin your career in just 12 months. Start with the fundamentals and expand your knowledge alongside expert instructional staff. Working in state-of-the-art labs, you'll learn how to stabilize a simulated critical patient inside the ambulance simulator and treat patients in a vehicle rescue. With over 1,000 contact hours in field and clinical instruction, you'll be ready to hit the ground running.

The opportunities don't stop there. Advance your career with seamless pathways to an associate's degree in Allied Health or bachelor's in Applied Health Studies, Emergency Management & Homeland Security, or Prehospital Medicine.

#### State-of-the-Art Labs

- ♦ Ambulance simulator
- ♦ Vehicle rescue simulator
- High-fidelity simulation equipment
- Variety of current advanced life support (ALS) equipment, including iSimulate monitors, Lifepak 15s and video laryngoscopes
- Apartment learning lab for in-home simulated emergency care practice
- Dedicated simulation space for an emergency sequence with car accident, transport via an ambulance, and transfer of care to an ER setting

#### Involvement

- Supervised field experience with direct patient contact in hospitals and field settings
- Hands-on experience in a variety of emergency, surgical, critical care, OB, and pre-hospital settings

#### **Employment Opportunities**

- ♦ ALS 911 response
- Critical care transport, including aeromedical services
- ♦ Tactical medicine with police departments
- Primary healthcare within the federal prison system
- Industrial medicine within the oil and gas industry

#### **Financial Aid**

Financial aid is available, and we're here to help. Learn more about your options at: pct.edu/admissions/clock

# Paramedic Program Entry & Completion Requirements

- ♦ Must be 18 years of age
- High school Graduate, GED or equivalent. Recommended high school subjects include three years of science and four years of English, social studies, and math (including algebra).
- Be certified as an EMT, or AEMT in the state of Pennsylvania (Reciprocity from other states to PA will need to be taken care of early).
- Complete the Paramedic Entrance Exam within the previous 18 months.
- Interview with Paramedic Program Staff.
- Documentation of a minimum of 10 patient contacts and 60 hours of EMS experience.
- Complete health screenings that are required by the program. Placement in the program is conditional until health requirements are met.
- ♦ Negative Drug Screening.
- Successfully maintain a 75% overall course grade.
- Obtain Pennsylvania State Police, FBI, and Childline Background checks with satisfactory results.
- Meet classroom and clinical attendance requirements.

#### **CURRICULUM**

#### Level I

EMS 301 Introduction to Paramedic
Practice & Patient Assessment

EMS 104 Medical Terminology

LPN 115 Anatomy & Physiology I

#### Level 2

EMS 302 Cardiology & Medicine

LPN 125 Anatomy & Physiology II

#### Level 3

EMS 303 Operations & Trauma

Important dates, program costs, enrollment information and more can be found at: pct.edu/healthcare-safety

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