

Certificate Paramedic Program Monday / Thursday Shift Friendly Schedule

Thank you for your interest in the Emergency Medical Science – Paramedic Certificate Program. This shift friendly course allows you to choose from the available days which day you want to come to class. The course will include online coursework, campus classroom work, psychomotor lab (hands-on) sessions, hospital clinical, field internship and evaluations. This program meets the NCOEMS and National EMS Education Standards and AHA Guidelines. Upon successful completion of the program, the student will qualify to take the NC Office of EMS Paramedic credentialing exam and National Registry Paramedic exam. After reviewing this packet, if you have any questions, please contact Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator, at 919.464.2299 or bmjackson@johnstoncc.edu

The 2021 – 2022 Paramedic Certification Program will start Monday June 14, 2021 or Thursday June 17, 2021. Students must show up the first day for the day they signed up for.

Program Description

The Paramedic certification course provides individuals with the knowledge, skills, and attributes to provide advanced emergency medical care as a paramedic for critical and emergent patients in the emergency medical system, and prepares graduates to enter the workforce.

Students will gain complex knowledge, competency, and experience while employing evidence-based practices under medical oversight, and serve as a link from the pre-hospital to hospital setting.

Graduates of this program are eligible to take state and/or national certification examinations. Employment opportunities include providers of emergency medical services, convalescent ambulance services, fire departments, rescue agencies, hospital specialty areas, industrial arena, private companies, educational agencies, and government agencies.



Johnston Community College EMS Education Program is an approved accreditation institution from the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) and accreditation from Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP www.caahep.org).

To contact CAAHEP:
Commission on
Accreditation of Allied
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727-210-2350
www.caahep.org



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Program Information

The Paramedic is the highest level of credential in the pre-hospital setting. Student training includes the use of complex medical equipment, such as manual monitors/defibrillators, the administer on various medications and the performance of skills per State and National standards. JCC students receive certifications in numerous additional practices such as Advance Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), Advanced Medical Life Support (AMLS), and Prehospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS). Students learn the necessary skills needed in today's ever evolving medical field to recognize, treat, and reverse life threatening conditions.

Course Information

The Certificate Paramedic Program is a year-long course divided into two parts. The student will complete approximately 350 didactic (lecture) hours, 300 psychomotor lab (hands-on) hours and 480 clinical (field/hospital) hours within the year. Students attend a shift-friendly schedule (classes meet once a week), either Monday or Thursday 8:30 a.m. -5:30 p.m. The course includes occasional weekend and Friday classes per the course schedule. *The Certificate Paramedic 2021-2022 courses starts on Monday, June 14th or Thursday, June 17th, 2021.*

Entry Test for the Paramedic Course

DON'T WAIT if you have to complete an entry test. Testing can be complete before the application is submitted. If you need instruction in English or Math, you will need to allow time and retesting before the paramedic course starts.

NC Office of EMS requires all applicants to have:

- Successful completion of college-level English (ENG 111 at minimum), or within the previous 12 months complete a written assessment placing the individual into college-level English.
- Successful completion of college-level Math (MAT 110 at minimum), or within the previous 12 months complete a written assessment placing the individual into college-level Math.

Written Entry Test

Johnston Community College will offer the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) test. If the applicant does not meet the required grade levels, the applicant can enter into TABE Prep classes. TABE Prep classes begin March 1, 2021. Once completed the applicant can take the entry test again. Classes are held on:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday from 9am – 12pm.
- Monday and Wednesday evening from 6pm – 9pm.

TABE Prep classes are held face-to-face at JCC Testing Center for the first two weeks and then can be completed online. You can start TABE Prep classes at any time.

Applicant must pass the entry test before they can be accepted in the Paramedic course.

How to Register for Entry Test

TABE testing will be held on the following dates:

- Wednesday April 21st at 9am
- Tuesday April 4th at 9am
- Thursday May 13th at 9am

Students in need of placement testing should email Brittany Baker at bmjackson@johnstoncc.edu with the date that they are available for testing and include their full name and date of birth. Photo ID is required to be presented the day of testing at the Academic Skills Center in the Learning Resource Center (LRC) on the JCC campus. Students should arrive 15 minutes early for testing to complete registration, and are required to wear a facial covering due to COVID regulations.

Applicants do not have to take the entry test if they meet the State requirement by holding a college degree, taken college English (ENG 111 at minimum) and Math (MAT 110 at minimum), or can provide documentation of previous acceptance into college level English and Math course within the previous 12 months at another college. See “Admission Entry Test Requirements” for other approval documents.

Paramedic Certification Program Admission Process

******* *Entry testing is recommended before completing the admission process.* *******

Step One: Pre-Admission Process

Schedule a phone conversation or meeting with Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator. The meeting will include a summary of the course and discussion of the application process.

- Complete Paramedic Certificate Program Application. See attached application.
- Submit with program application: (*Applications are considered incomplete without the following*)
 - A copy of valid state driver’s license
 - A copy of EMT credential or proof of successful completion of an EMT course
 - Documentation of high school graduation or GED.
 - A copy of valid AHA Health provider BLS/CPR card.
 - A copy of medical insurance, if applicable.
 - If applicable, documentation to be exempt from entry testing. Must be official documentation.
- Application may be delivered to:
 - Johnston Community College
 - Public Safety Services Building (Building J)
 - 245 College Road
 - Smithfield, NC 27577
 - Attn: Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator
- Applications may also be sent via email to bmjackson@johnstoncc.edu

Submit applications as soon as they are completed to Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator. This will allow time for entry testing (if applicable) and completion of the application process. **The application deadline for the 2021-2022 Paramedic Certificate Program is Friday May 7, 2021.**

Step Two: Acceptance & Registration

After notification of acceptance from the CE Program Coordinator.

- You will be emailed a link to electronic JCC Continuing Education Registration Form or registration web site for 2021-2022 Paramedic Certificate Program. Complete a JCC Continuing Education Registration Form and submit back to Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator.
- Pay Registration Fee for Part I of the Certificate Paramedic Course. You may be asked to pay for registration online through JCC WebAdvisor or contact JCC Cashiers Office at 919-464-2165.

For fee exemption, student must be on a NC primary emergency response provider that is approved by NC Community College System. When you complete your registration form you **MUST** indicate the provider, your position (i.e. EMT) and **must** sign the registration form.

- Purchase Liability insurance coverage policy through Johnston Community College. Students **must** have coverage per contracts with clinical agencies. Coverage purchased at JCC cashier's office in the Wilson Building during normal business hours. Coverage can be purchased by phone or maybe included with registration payment on line. Liability insurance is not covered by provides or State Community College if you are granted fee exemption.

Step Three: Orientation

After student has successfully registered for the course and before the Course starts.

- Attend a program orientation session located in the Public Safety Building, Room J1360. Orientation sessions usually last 2 to 3 hours. Sessions are scheduled for:
 - **Monday May 17, 2021 from 09:00 am to Noon or Thursday May 20, 2021 from 09:00 am to Noon.**

If you have any questions about the admission process, please contact Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator, at 919-464-2299 or bmjackson@johnstoncc.edu

Before Course Begins: (Discussed in detail at orientation)

- Purchase access to Platinum Planner and EMSTesting. Access codes can be purchased at Johnston Community College Bookstore or on-line at www.platinumed.com. **Purchase instructions will be provided at orientation.**
- Purchase class resource materials:
 - Manual: Sanders' Paramedic Textbook, Fifth Edition, and Workbook combined
 - ISBN: 9781284178340. Resources can be purchase at Johnston Community College Book store or online at <http://www.iblearning.com/cart/Default.aspx?bc=17834-0&ref=psg&coupon=JCCNC12>.
 - ***If any discount codes are available, the codes will be provided at orientation.***
 - Additional resources are required for specialty certification classes offered during the course (ACLS, PALS, PEPP, PHTLS, AMLS). Prices vary depending on where you make your purchase. Certification cards can be purchased from the Johnston Community College before the course is taught. Specialty Books can be borrowed for the specific class.

A & P requirement

If a student has taken an A&P course that meets NC OEMS requirements, documentation must be submitted for verification. Courses that meet the requirement include:

- EMS 3163
- BIO 163
- BIO 165 and BIO 166
- BIO 168 and BIO 169

EMS 3163 will be offered twice during the paramedic course.

Castle Branch

Must be completed by July 15, 2021:

- Complete a background check, urine drug screen and submit immunizations records through CastleBranch.com. Students must purchase access and upload all documentation to their profile.

More information provided at orientation.

- Immunizations are: Influenza Vaccine (prior to Flu session); Tdap (with tetanus booster within last ten years); TB Skin Test (2 injections) within one year or CXR within 6 months or TB Quantitative Blood Draw; Hepatitis B Vaccine Series or positive Titer, or Declination Form; Varicella Vaccine (2 injections) or Positive Titer; and MMR Vaccine (2 injections) or Positive Titer.
- Complete a medical form, physical exam and health history. “Physical Examination by Medical Practitioner” document available on Castle Branch site.

Breakdown of Course Cost

This is just a rough estimate. All prices for items from vendors are subject to change. Prices vary per vendor

Clinical Uniform Requirements

Students in the JCC EMS Paramedic program will be required to attend clinical internships wearing their approved uniform. Students may have to wear uniforms to class if approved by Advisory Committee. The uniform will consist of the following

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| ▪ JCC Clinical Uniform Polo Shirt * | \$35.00 |
| ▪ JCC Clinical Uniform T-shirt (optional) * | \$10.00 |
| ▪ EMS Style Uniform Pants | \$30.00 and up |
| ▪ Black Leather or Nylon Duty Belt | \$15.00 and up |
| ▪ Black Public Safety Shoes or Boots | \$50.00 and up |
| ▪ Black Socks | \$5.00 and up |
| ▪ All Weather Jacket | \$30.00 and up |
| ▪ Reflective Traffic Vest | \$10.00 |

Total Uniform Cost: \$185.00

** Items required to be purchased through the approved vendor by JCC EMS Program*

Specialty Resources (Book and certification card cost)

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| ▪ Advanced Cardiac Life Support | \$71.25 |
| ▪ Pediatric Advanced Life Support | \$56.25 |
| ▪ Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals | \$75.00 |
| ▪ Prehospital Trauma Life Support | \$85.00 |
| ▪ Advanced Medical Life Support | \$80.00 |

Total Specialty Book Cost: \$367.50

Prices of specialty books vary depending on the vendor. Student are allowed to borrow books for class. Certification cards are optional. But highly recommended.

Summary of Cost for Paramedic Certificate Program

▪ Registration Fee Part I	\$180.00
▪ Registration Fee Part II (Pay in January)	\$180.00
▪ Castle Branch	\$110.00
▪ EMS Testing & Platinum Planner	\$183.00 to \$235.00
▪ Textbook & Workbook	\$300.00 to \$390.00
▪ Medical Malpractice Liability Insurance	\$19.00
▪ Total Uniform Cost	\$185.00 and up


Total Cost (Does not include specialty books) \$1,157.00



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PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATE COURSE APPLICATION

Disclaimer: Completing this form does not guarantee entry into the Paramedic program.
Specific program requirements must be met prior to acceptance

Please Print:					
(First)		(Middle)		(Last)	
Current Physical Address (Do not use PO Box)			City	State	Zip
Birthdate	Home Phone	Cell Phone		Emergency Name & Contact Phone	
Email Address					
Contact Brittany Baker at bmjackson@johnstoncc.edu ASAP if you need to take the Entry Test.					
<u>Admissions Entry Test Requirements:</u>					
TABE Results:			Reading – 12.9, Math – 12.9, Language – 12.9		
SAT	Score			ACT	Score
Writing OR Critical Reading	500 or Higher			Writing OR Critical Reading	ENG 18 or Higher RED 20 or Higher
Mathematics	500 or Higher			Mathematics	22 or Higher
<p>The student must meet JCC EMS Paramedic Program admission requirements. It is the students' responsibility to complete the application process, complete entry testing and attend a program orientation. Any questions regarding this process, call the CE Program Coordinator at 919-464-2299 or email at bmjackson@johnstoncc.edu</p> <p>Hospital clinical agencies and EMS agencies that have contracts with Johnston Community College require criminal background checks, a urine drug screen, and up to date shot records prior to entering their facilities. Failure to meet these requirements will subject the student to dismissal from the program. The program will comply with all clinical affiliation agreements per contracts. You will receive a clinical packet that includes the information and these requirements.</p> <p>I certify that the above information is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand and agree that misrepresentation, falsification or omission of material fact may be cause for rejection of my application or for termination after acceptance into the EMS program.</p> <p>Applicant Signature: _____ Date of Application: _____</p>					
For Office Use Only:					
Received by: _____ on ____ / ____ / ____					
Reviewed by: _____ on ____ / ____ / ____					
<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Acceptance _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Does not currently meet program requirements _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Notification sent of approval _____					
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Application Acknowledgement

I have read and understand the “Emergency Medical Science Paramedic Certificate Application Packet” for the Paramedic Certificate Program at Johnston Community College.

I understand that I am accountable for the information contained within the packet and agree to contact the Paramedic Program Coordinator with questions that I may have regarding any information contained within the packet.

I fully understand that if I do not comply with the guidelines within the packet that my application may be incomplete and I will not be considered for admission into the program.

I give permission for Johnston Community College to take steps to verify the information I have given them.

I understand that my admission and continuation in the program is contingent on my fulfillment of all program requirements.

I will not hold Johnston Community College or any of its agents responsible for my failure to provide information or fulfill my obligations for acceptance or completion of this program.

I understand that completion of this application is a component of the student file and does not in itself grant admission to the EMS program. I further understand that I must submit a new application if I am not selected for the 2021-2022 Paramedic Certificate Program.

Minimum admission requirements for the Paramedic Certificate Program include:

- Submitting a completed application for the EMS program(s) in the Department for EMS Education
- Meeting essential functions or technical standards required for EMS providers
- Current EMT certification in North Carolina

Admission to the EMS program is competitive, and the number of students is limited by the number of faculty, clinical sites, and classroom facilities. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the Paramedic Certificate Program.

Print Name

Applicant’s Signature

Date

Please deliver this application to:

Johnston Community College
Public Safety Services Building (Building J)
245 College Road
Smithfield, NC 27577
Attn: Brittany Baker, CE Program Coordinator

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Paramedic Essential Functions

Area	Function	Yes	No	If no, please comment
Mobility	1. Have physical stamina to stand and walk for 8+ hours in a clinical or field setting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2. Can stand on both legs, move about freely, and maneuver in small spaces. Physical disabilities must not pose a threat to safety of the student, faculty, patients, or other healthcare workers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Flexibility	1. Can bend the body downward and forward by bending at the spine and waist.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2. Can flex and extend all joints freely	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Strength	1. Can raise objects from a lower to a higher position or move objects horizontally from position to position. <i>This factor requires the substantial use of the upper extremities and back muscles.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2. Possess mobility, coordination and strength to push, pull or transfer heavy objects. (Strength to lift 50 lbs. frequently and 75 lbs. or more occasionally).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fine Motor Skills and Hand/Eye Coordination	1. Possess manual dexterity, mobility, and stamina to perform CPR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2. Can seize, hold, grasp, turn, apply pressure and otherwise work with both hands.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	3. Can pick, pinch, or otherwise work with fingers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Auditory Ability	1. Possess sufficient hearing to assess patient's needs, make fine discrimination in sound, follow instructions, communicate with other healthcare workers. <i>Please comment if corrective devices are required</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Communication	1. Possess verbal/nonverbal and written communication skills adequate to exchange ideas, detailed information, and instructions accurately.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2. Able to read, comprehend, and write legibly in the English language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Interpersonal Skills	1. Able to interact purposefully and effectively with others.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	2. Able to convey sensitivity, integrity, respect, compassion, and a mentally healthy attitude	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	3. Oriented to reality and not mentally impaired by mind altering substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	4. Able to function safely and effectively during high stress periods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

If you are unable to fully meet any of the listed criteria, you will need to meet with the JCC ADA Coordinator. A student who is seeking accommodations and services on the basis of a disability are required to submit documentation to verify eligibility for services. Receiving academic accommodations at JCC takes several steps: 1. Students must complete an accommodation request form from the ADA Coordinator's office each semester. 2. Students may hand-deliver the letter or have it sent to each instructor through campus e-mail. 3. Students must arrange a meeting with their instructor(s) to discuss the proposed accommodations listed in the letter. 4. Students with disabilities must maintain the same responsibility for their education as students who do not have disabilities. This includes maintaining the same academic levels, maintaining appropriate behavior and giving timely notification of any special needs. Utilize accommodations available to you; asking for assistance is not a sign of weakness or dependence. It is our goal to help you achieve your educational pursuits.

Upon reading and reviewing the Essential Functions, I have selected the appropriate boxes above attesting to my ability to perform the indicated function area. I further understand that I may be required by the EMS faculty to be re-evaluated if deemed necessary based on my ability to perform essential functions during the program, for retention, and progression through the program.

Please mark the box that meets your ability to perform the Essential Functions

- I currently have the ability to perform the Essential Functions
- I currently am unable to perform the Essential Functions indicated without accommodations

Print Name _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

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