Paramedic
2020 Advising Guide
Application Deadline: July 1  |  Admission for Fall 2020

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General Program Info

LCC’s Paramedic program has been accredited since 1990 by:

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
(www.caahep.org/)
25400 US Highway 19 North, Suite 158
Clearwater, FL 33763
Phone: (727) 210-2350, Fax: (727) 210-2354

This program is Selective Admissions, which means there are program-specific entrance 
requirements and admission into the program can be on a competitive basis. In the event 
there are more applicants than seats available, admission is determined using a point 
system; those with the highest number of points will be admitted. For more information on 
this program & career, visit the program website (www.lcc.edu/academics/degrees/).

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You must be an LCC student to be eligible for this program. Admission into the college does not guarantee entrance into a Selective Admissions program. For questions about the application process, email selective_admissions@star.lcc.edu.

Follow these steps to apply:

1. **APPLY TO LCC:** If you are not currently and have never been an LCC student, [apply to the college](https://lcc.edu/).

2. **TRANSFER STUDENTS:** If coming from another college, view our [equivalency lists](https://lcc.edu/academics/transfer/equivalencies/) to find how your classes will transfer in. **Have all of your previous institutions send official transcripts directly to LCC’s Registrars Office** at the address listed on the equivalency site. Courses must transfer into LCC as the exact class to satisfy an admission requirement. **Official transcripts must be received by LCC’s Registrars Office no later than July 1st to be considered.** *Your transfer school’s grading system will be used to convert letter grades to numerical. Grading scales vary by school.*

3. **COMPLETE COURSE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:** See next page for a list of admission requirements needed to be eligible to apply.

4. **SUBMIT SELECTIVE ADMISSION APPLICATION BY DEADLINE:** There is a non-refundable **$50 fee to apply to this program.** Directions on how to submit your [Selective Admission Application](https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/selective/) are located on the last page of the application.

5. **ATTEND A PARAMEDIC CANDIDATE INTERVIEW:** After your application is received, Selective Admissions will contact you to setup a candidate interview. Sessions are approximately 20-minutes long. Applicants should be prepared to discuss their interest in and commitment to successfully complete the Paramedic program.

**Academic Advisors** ([www.lcc.edu/services/advising/](http://www.lcc.edu/services/advising/)) are available in the Gannon building Star Zone. To schedule an appointment call *(517) 483-1957 option 4.* Ask for a Health Careers Advisor.

*Please know transfer transcripts should be processed before meeting with an advisor to get the most out of your appointment.*
Admission Requirements

*Applicants must complete all of the following by the end of LCC’s Spring semester to be eligible for admission. Summer classes are accepted only in the event there are not enough applicants to fill seats.

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| 1         | BIOL 145 or BIOL 201 & 202  
*Required minimum grade of 2.5 or higher |
| 2         | Reading Level 5         |
| 2         | Writing Level 6         |
| 2         | Math Level 4            |
| 3         | Current State of Michigan EMT licensure |
| 3         | Current CPR certification  
*Must be American Heart Association’s "Basic Life Support” for healthcare professionals or American Red Cross’s “CPR for the Professional Rescuer.” |

ADMISSION REQUIREMENT NOTES:

1. Anatomy and Physiology must be completed within 8 years of the application deadline to be considered. BIOL 201 and 202 is recommended for transferability into other health career programs and colleges.

2. Visit LCC’s Placement Testing site (www.lcc.edu/services/testing/placement/) for more information on Reading, Writing, and Math placement levels. Students can find their current placement levels by logging into their MyLCC account (https://my.lcc.edu/) and looking in the “Profile” tab.

3. EMT license and CPR certification must be attached to application.
In the event there are more applicants than seats available, candidates will be ranked using the following point system. Those with the highest number of points will be selected for the available seats. *Admission decisions are made early July.*

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| 1        | The following points are awarded based on completion of a post-secondary degree:  
  • **25 points**: PhD, MS, MA  
  • **20 points**: BS or BA  
  • **15 points**: Associates  
  • **10 points**: Certificate of Achievement |           |
|          | **5 points** will be awarded for completion of CHSE 120: Medical Terminology with a grade of 2.5 or higher. |           |
| 2        | Applicants who have EMS provider experience will earn the following points:  
  • **15 points**: 5+ years of paid work experience  
  • **10 points**: 1-4.5 years of paid work experience  
  • **5 points**: Less than 1 year of paid work experience  
  • **5 points**: Completed EMS Job Shadow |           |

**YOUR TOTAL POINTS:**

**POINT SYSTEM NOTES:**

1. Proof of degree completion must be on your LCC record by July 1st; proof is needed via an official transcript from your transfer school or for LCC degrees Selective Admissions can view this on your unofficial transcript.

2. Proof of work experience **must be documented by the HR department or a supervisor** on business letterhead and include dates of employment, position title, and a brief description of duties. Proof of job shadow must be on business letterhead and include the facility, the date(s) the observation occurred, the name and contact info of the professional you shadowed. Documentation must be attached to your application to earn points.
Admitted applicants will be required to attend a mandatory program orientation that typically occurs mid-late August. Candidates are advised to plan Summer vacations accordingly.

If admitted, the Paramedic program begins during LCC’s Fall semester and is 1-year long. During the Fall and Spring semesters, admitted students are on LCC’s main campus for lectures and labs 3 days/week and at a clinical site on arranged dates throughout the semester. Lectures and labs do not run in the evening or on the weekend. Students will complete a 12-week internship during the Summer semester.

Clinical sites are within a 100 mile radius of LCC’s main campus. Because of this, a valid driver’s license and reliable transportation is required. Students receive clinical experience in both hospital and EMS agency locations.

LCC offers two options for completing the Paramedic Program:

- Paramedic Certificate of Achievement (code 0272): 37-credits including the admission requirements and 3 semesters in the program.
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Associate in Applied Science Degree (0276): 65-credits including the completion of the Basic EMT Certificate Program, the Paramedic Certificate Program, and core curriculum courses.

Upon completion of either option students are eligible to take the certification exam offered by the National Registry of EMT’s. Passing this allows graduates to apply for state licensure and practice as a paramedic upon issuance of license.

A complete program pathway, including course layout and recommended course sequence, is available on the college’s Degree & Certificate site (https://lcc.edu/academics/catalog/degree-certificate-programs/).

The approximate cost for a Paramedic student who receives in-district tuition rates is $15,200; this includes the cost of prerequisite and in-program courses along with Paramedic supplies and textbooks. For a detailed cost sheet, including tuition rates for all residencies, visit the Advising Guide site (https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/advising_guides/).

Be advised some in-program classes have a portion of the course fee that is non-refundable. Any student who registers for the class and then drops, withdraws, or is otherwise ineligible for the program will not be refunded the non-refundable portion. The non-refundable amount and the items included in course fees vary by class. More information will be provided at the program orientation that occurs after admission decisions are made.
Criminal Background Check

In order for this program to be in compliance with Michigan Public Act 26 of 2006, a **Criminal Background investigation is required for all students.** Directions for completing a Background Check, which may include fingerprinting and drug testing, will be given at the program orientation (after admission decisions are made). Please note digital fingerprinting will be required by the State of Michigan at the time of application for career licensure. To comply with State and Federal statutes, admission to this program will be denied for any of the following:

- Any felony conviction within 15 years + three years’ probation prior to application.
- Any misdemeanor within ten years prior to application that involved or is similar to the following:
  - Abuse, neglect, assault, battery
  - Criminal sexual conduct
  - Fraud or theft against a vulnerable adult (as defined by the Michigan penal code)

The [Michigan Workforce Background Check Program](http://www.miltcpartnership.org/documents/legalguide.pdf) provides detailed information regarding the types of crimes and their implications to employment suitability in health care facilities and agencies.

Any student who has been charged with a felony or a misdemeanor crime after admission to the program must contact the Program Director (https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/contact/) within 72 hours of the charge. Students convicted of a crime(s) become ineligible, and therefore, will be dismissed from the Program.

Environmental Conditions—Standard Precautions

Applicants must be aware students in this program and profession will be exposed to blood, body tissues, and fluids. There is the potential of exposure to electrical hazards, hazardous waste materials, radiation, poisonous substances, chemicals, loud or unpleasant noises and high stress emergency situations. Students enrolled in this program and career path are at risk for exposure to blood and body fluids and transmission of blood-borne and other infectious diseases, including HIV. The Americans with Disabilities Act forbids discrimination against patients with infectious diseases; therefore, students are required to treat all patients assigned, regardless of the disease-state of the patient. Standard precautions must be followed when treating each patient.

Applicants admitted to the program will be required to provide proof of immunizations and Basic Life Support (BLS) certification in accordance with professional standards and clinical-site requirements. Contact the Program Director (https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/contact/) for details on immunizations. Students must also successfully complete training on OSHA, Bloodborne Pathogens, and HIPAA. More information will be provided at the program orientation that occurs after admission decisions are made.
Skills Essential for the Field

For a list of motor, cognitive, and psychological skills essential for this field, visit HHS’s Advising Guides site (https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/advising_guides/).

Non-Discrimination Statement

Lansing Community College is committed to providing equal employment opportunities and equal education for all persons regardless of race, color, sex, age, religion, national origin, creed, ancestry, height, weight, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, familial status, marital status, military status, veteran’s status, or other status as protected by law, or genetic information that is unrelated to the person’s ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position or that is unrelated to the person’s ability to participate in educational programs, courses services or activities offered by the college.

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Equal Opportunity Officer, Washington Court Place, 309 N. Washington Square Lansing, MI 48933, 517-483-1730; Employee Coordinator 504/ADA, Administration Building, 610 N. Capitol Ave. Lansing, MI 48933, 517-483-1875; Student Coordinator 504/ADA, Gannon Building, 411 N. Grand Ave. Lansing, MI 48933, 517-483-1885; Lori Willett, Human Resource Manager/Title IX Coordinator, Administration Building, 610 N. Capitol Ave. Lansing, MI 48933, 517-483-1870; Christine Thompson, Student Title IX Coordinator, Gannon Building, 411 N. Grand Ave. Lansing, MI 48933, 517-483-1261.

For questions, contact the Program Director (https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/contact/)

Check out all of the Health Career Advising Guides (https://internal.lcc.edu/hhs/advising_guides/)