



Emergency Medical Services Certificates and AAS Degree

Length of Program

EMT Certificate

1 semester/10 semester hours

AEMT Certificate

1 semester/9 semester hours

Paramedic (includes EMT and AEMT):

Short-Term Certificate

1 Year/3 semesters /29 hours

Certificate

2 Years/5 semesters/58 semester hours

Paramedic Associate in Applied Science

2 Years/5 semesters/71 semester hours

Priority Application Dates (until class is filled)

EMT/AEMT: April 1-summer; June 15-fall;

Sept. 15-spring.

Paramedic: June 15 -summer; Sept. 15-spring

Results will be emailed 4-6 weeks after application deadline.

Admission Requirements

EMT:

In addition to the general admission requirements for the College, admission to EMT level requires:

- 2.0 cumulative GPA and be on clear academic status.
- Official transcripts from all postsecondary institutions attended and high school.
- Eligibility for English 101 and Math 100 .
- Age of 18 years or older within one (1) year of program completion.

AEMT:

Admission to the AEMT level requires:

- Completion of 1-4 listed above.
- National Registry-Basic.

PARAMEDIC:

Admission to the Paramedic level requires

- Completion of all requirements for EMT and AEMT.
- Eligibility for English Composition (ENG 101) and Inter. College Algebra (MTH 100) or higher.
- Minimum 2.0 GPA at Southern Union. Transfer students must enter College with minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA.

Accreditation

Alabama Department of Public Health, Emergency Medical Services Division Committee on Accreditation of Education Programs for the EMS Professional (CoAEMSP), 8301 Lakeview Parkway, Rowlett, Suite 111-312, TX 75088. (214) 703-8992

Credentials Earned

National Registered EMT's, AEMT's and Paramedics following successful completion of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians certification exams. The National Registry examinations are required for licensure in Alabama at both EMT levels.

* It is recommended that academics for the PAR level be taken prior to entry.

Courses	EMT	ADV EMT	PAR STC	PAR CER	PAR AAS
First Semester:					
EMS 118 EMS Basic Theory/Lab	9				
EMS 119 EMS Basic Clinical	1				
MTH 100 Inter. College Alg.				3	3

Stackable Short-Term Certificate: EMT—10 hours

Prereq to taking AEMT is EMS118/119 AND National Registry/State EMS license. If EMS118/119 is unaccredited, must take EMS108.

Second Semester:					
EMS 155 Adv Emerg. Med Tech		7			
EMS 156 AEMT Clinical		2			
ENG 101 English Composition I				3	3

Stackable Short-Term Certificate: AEMT—9 hours

Prereq to taking Paramedic CER or AAS is EMS 155/156 from an accredited institution OR NREMT –Advanced. If EMS155/156 is unaccredited, must take EMS156. See back of brochure for further details.

Third Semester:					
EMS 241 Paramedic Cardiology			3	3	3
EMS 242 Patient Assessment			2	2	2
EMS 244 Paramedic Clinical			1	1	1
EMS 257 Par. Applied Pharm.			2	2	2
BIO 111 Survey of Human Bio. Or sequence of BIO201 and 202				4	
BIO 201 Human A & P II					4
Humanities Elective					3

Fourth Semester:					
EMS 245 Par. Med. Emerg.			3	3	3
EMS 246 Par. Trauma Mgmt			3	3	3
EMS 247 Par. Special Pop.			2	2	2
EMS 248 Paramedic Clinical II			3	3	3
BIO 202 Human A & P II					4
PSY 200 General Psychology					3

Fifth Semester:					
EMS 253 Par. Trans. Workforce			2	2	2
EMS 254 Adv Comp. for Par.			2	2	2
EMS 255 Par. Field Precept.			5	5	5
EMS 256 Par. Team Leadership			1	1	1
SPH 106 or 107 Speech					3

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AAS Degree: EMP-71 hours (includes EMT and AEMT)

For more information about admission to the program, contact:

Health Sciences Division • 301 Lake Condy RD, Opelika, Alabama 36801 • (334) 745-6437 ext. 5515/5519

Paramedic Entry:

Which AEMT criteria applies to you?				
Select Degree Plan	EMS155/156 *Accredited No Advanced Registry	EMS155/156 *Accredited With Advanced Registry	EMS155/156 unaccredited or not completed No Advanced Registry	EMS155/156 Unaccredited With Advanced Registry
Paramedic Certificate or degree (CER or AAS)	Eligible to apply with Basic registry and state license.	Eligible to apply with state license.	Not Eligible for Paramedic until EMS155/156 is complete.	Eligible to apply with state license Must take EM156 with Par courses. After completion, 9 hrs will be awarded to meet credit hour req. for AEMT.
Paramedic Short term certificate (STC)	Eligible to apply with Basic Registry and state license.	Eligible to apply with state license.	Not Eligible for Paramedic until completion of EMS155/156.	Eligible to apply with state license.

Please see the Health Sciences Advisor with questions about your Paramedic options.

*Accreditation must be by SACSCOC or one of the six regional accrediting agencies.