

# **Selective Admission Requirements**

## ***Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic***

# **2026**

***Deadline for all requirements***

***February 1, 2026***

***The requirements for the Paramedic Program are different than the requirements for other Selective Admissions programs. Please read the entire packet carefully to assure that all requirements are completed before the deadline date.***

**MACOMB COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
SELECTIVE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS  
FALL 2026 Paramedic Program**

**Deadline for ALL requirements is February 1, 2026**

To be considered for admission to the PARAMEDIC PROGRAM, applicants must complete ALL requirements. All appropriate documentation must be on file with the Office of Records & Registration by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, for the Paramedic program that begins in the Fall 2026 semester. Macomb's Selective Admission programs have entrance testing requirements and admission requirements that are different than other Macomb programs.

Selective Admission applicants should review the Selective Admission video prior to taking the HESI admission assessment exam and applying to the program. This video will review the application process, program prerequisites, and requirements. Refer to the video link located on the Selective Admissions webpage. Contact the Counseling and Academic Advising Office at 586.445.7999 for further program information.

**REQUIREMENTS**

**1. SUBMIT SELECTIVE ADMISSIONS APPLICATION**

Submit a paramedic program application (application available online in late September 2025). **If you are not a current or former student at Macomb Community College, you must also apply for admission and complete all admission steps prior to applying for a selective admissions program.**

**2. SUBMIT WORK EXPERIENCE**

Submit work experience with an EMS agency or in any job that involves direct patient contact. Note - This is not a requirement, but experience is included in the ranking. See ranking explanation for additional details. Email your current professional resume to [psi@macomb.edu](mailto:psi@macomb.edu) by **January 25, 2026**.

**3. COMPLETE PREREQUISITES**

The following **PREREQUISITE COURSES** must be completed by the end of the Fall 2025 term prior to the application deadline of February 1, 2026. Candidates must successfully complete the following courses, or their direct equivalents at another accredited institution, as defined by Macomb Community College with a punitive grade of C (2.0 GPA) or better prior to the deadline date of February 1, 2026. A punitive grade is one that affects the grade point average. A grade of C- is not acceptable. A GPA will be calculated on the prerequisite courses.

**EMSA 1215** – Basic EMT Lecture

**EMSA 1220** – Basic EMT Lab

**EMSA 1250** – Clinical Rotation for Basic EMT

**\*BIO 2710** is recommended, however not included in ranking.

If you have received your Basic EMT training from a non-college-based training program, you must provide a copy of your current and unencumbered **MICHIGAN BASIC EMT LICENSE** as proof of training, which will exempt you from taking EMSA 1215, 1220, and 1250. If you are using a Michigan Basic EMT license, you will be awarded a "C" grade for those classes. This is for ranking the applications only, and no actual college credits will be awarded. Proof of certificate must be uploaded in the selective admissions application online before the February 1, 2026, deadline.

If you are receiving your Basic EMT training from a Michigan High School, you must provide a letter of endorsement from your instructors and a copy of your high school official transcript showing enrollment in the basic EMT courses by uploading the documentation in the selective admissions application online before the February 1, 2026 deadline. You will be awarded a "C" grade for those classes. This is for ranking the applications only, and no actual college credits will be awarded.

**Proof of completion will be collected at orientation. Please be advised that a Michigan Basic EMT license is a requirement for the second semester of the Paramedic program. Failure to receive your Michigan Basic EMT license will result in removal from the program.**

**4. SEND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**

Arrange for **OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL/ COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT(S)** to be sent directly from each institution attended. Macomb Community College transcripts are not required to be sent. To meet the deadline date of

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, it is recommended that you request to have your current name, date of birth, and Macomb ID number posted on transcripts. Transcripts that are issued to the student will not be accepted.

Mail: Macomb Community College  
Office of Records & Registration (Center Campus G-110)  
44575 Garfield Rd.  
Clinton Twp., MI 48038-1139  
Or email: transcripts@macomb.edu

## 5. COMPLETE THE HESI ADMISSION ASSESSMENT EXAM

Applicants must complete the HESI Admission Assessment Exam at Macomb Community College (scores from other locations won't be accepted). Registration opens after October 1, 2025, and early sign-up is advised. The exam can only be taken once per Selective Admissions cycle, but scores are valid for three cycles or until requirements change. Retakes are allowed in future cycles to improve scores. Visit the Selective Admissions webpage for more details.

## RANKING

All applicants whose documentation is complete and on file by the deadline are ranked according to the following criteria. All prerequisite courses must be completed by the deadline date with a grade of C (2.0 GPA) or better to be ranked.

- The GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) of the two prerequisite courses (EMSA 1215 and EMSA 1220) are computed and weighted at 40%. If you are applying without having taken EMSA 1215, 1220, and 1250 at Macomb Community College, but do submit a valid Michigan Basic EMT license, you will be awarded a "C" grade for those classes. This is for the purpose of ranking the applications only, and no actual college credits will be awarded.
- The composite score of the HESI Admission Assessment is weighted at 40%. The composite score is the average score of the cumulative results of all components of the HESI Admission Assessment. If the exam has been taken more than once, the highest score will be used within the three-year selective admission cycle period.
- Work experience with an EMS agency or in any job that involves direct patient contact in an emergency department will improve your ranking in the admissions process. **If you would like to receive the work experience benefit, email your current professional resume to [psi@macomb.edu](mailto:psi@macomb.edu) by January 25, 2026. Note that this is a separate submission and due date.** The program coordinator will evaluate your experience and include your work experience in your ranking. Your work experience with an EMS agency or in a hospital emergency department will be weighted at 20% based on the following:

Over 1-year experience =5 points  
6 months to 1-year experience= 3 points  
Less than 6 months experience= 2 points  
No experience =0 points

## PROCESSING

Applicants will be ranked in the Paramedic program **ONLY** if they have applied and completed all the requirements to the program **BEFORE THE February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, DEADLINE DATE**. All applicants will be notified by mail or email of the admission decision, no later than May 1, 2026. Applicants not admitted will automatically be ranked with the May applicants and will not need to reapply. They will not be given preference by reason of having applied before. Only those applicants selected for admission are required to submit a \$100.00 non-refundable fee to confirm acceptance into the program.

**A MANDATORY ORIENTATION FOR SUCCESSFULLY RANKED CANDIDATES** will be held in August 2026. No other orientation date will be offered; if you do not attend, it will be understood that you are not interested in entering the program and your name will be removed as a candidate. If you are selected as an alternate candidate, you must also attend the mandatory orientation. **For students entering the EMS-Paramedic program from a high school, proof of successful completion is due at orientation.**

## **CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND DRUG SCREENS**

After conditional acceptance into the PARAMEDIC PROGRAM the following must be completed, and results submitted by August 15, 2026:

- Criminal Background Check and Drug Screening: Testing positive for illegal substances or having conviction of certain crimes may prevent you from enrolling in the paramedic program, participating in clinical rotations, or obtaining a State EMS license.
- A medical clearance physical (with completed Macomb Community College form).

Failure to complete these requirements will result in a withdrawal of your acceptance.

Macomb Community College's clinical partners may not accept students who have been convicted of certain crimes into a clinical learning environment. Therefore, students must undergo a Criminal Background Check and Drug Screen, at their own expense, through CastleBranch.com to be considered for admission to the Paramedic program.

NOTE: Do not order your criminal background check now; students will get more information about the Criminal Background Check at the mandatory orientation.

## **STATE OF MICHIGAN EMS PROGRAM WAITING PERIODS\***

State of Michigan Program Waiting Periods as outlined in MCL 330.1134a can be found at <http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-330-1134a>

Macomb Community College has adopted the waiting periods specified in MCL 330.1134a.

If a student has been convicted of a crime, the student should consult the Emergency Medical Technician/ Paramedic Program Waiting Periods (table below) BEFORE seeking admission to the Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic program to determine the specific waiting period, if any, applicable to that conviction. Failure to disclose conviction of a crime listed in MCL 330.1134a is grounds for immediate dismissal from the Emergency Medical Technician/ Paramedic program. If a student is convicted of a crime listed in MCL 330.1134a while in the Emergency Medical Technician/ Paramedic program, the student will be immediately dismissed from the program.

Waiting Period	Type of Crime
<b>Lifetime Ban</b>	Felonies related to neglect or abuse of a patient in connection with the delivery of health care  Felonies relating to health care fraud  Felonies related to the unlawful manufacture, distribution, prescription, or dispensing of a controlled substance if the conviction was entered on or after August 21, 1996  Adulteration of drugs or medicine injurious to health  Selling, distributing, delivering, or furnishing product containing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine
<b>15 years following completion of all terms and conditions of sentencing</b>	A felony involving intent to cause death or serious impairment of a body function  A felony resulting in death or serious impairment of a body function  A felony involving the use of force or violence

	<p>A felony involving the threat of the use of force or violence</p> <p>A felony involving cruelty or torture</p> <p>A felony involving intentional or reckless harm to a vulnerable adult by a caregiver or person with authority over a vulnerable adult</p> <p>A felony involving criminal sexual conduct</p> <p>A felony involving abuse or neglect</p> <p>A felony involving the use of a firearm or dangerous weapon</p>
<p><b>10 years</b></p> <p><i>following completion of all terms and conditions of sentencing</i></p>	<p>Any other felony, or attempt or conspiracy to commit a felony</p>
<p><b>10 years</b></p> <p><i>following the date of conviction</i></p>	<p>A misdemeanor involving the use of a firearm or dangerous weapon with the intent to injure</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving the use of a firearm or dangerous weapon that results in a personal injury</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving the use of force or violence or the threat of the use of force or violence</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving intentional or reckless harm to a vulnerable adult by a caregiver or person with authority over a vulnerable adult</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving criminal sexual conduct</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving cruelty or torture</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving abuse or neglect</p>
<p><b>5 years</b></p> <p><i>following the date of conviction</i></p>	<p>A misdemeanor involving cruelty if committed by someone who is less than 16 years of age</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving home invasion</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving embezzlement</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving negligent homicide</p> <p>A misdemeanor involving larceny</p> <p>A misdemeanor of retail fraud in the second degree</p> <p>Any other misdemeanor involving assault, fraud, theft, or the possession or delivery of a controlled substance</p>
<p><b>3 years</b></p> <p><i>following the date of conviction</i></p>	<p>A misdemeanor for assault if there was no use of a firearm or dangerous weapon and no intent to commit murder or inflict great bodily injury</p> <p>A misdemeanor of retail fraud in the third degree</p>

	A misdemeanor involving the creation, delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture a controlled substance
<b>1 year</b> <i>following the date of conviction</i>	<p>A misdemeanor involving the creation, delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture a controlled substance if the individual was under 18 at the time of conviction</p> <p>A misdemeanor for larceny or retail fraud in the second or third degree if the individual, at the time of conviction, is under the age of 16</p>

Chart Reviewed: 2/19/2025