

# Emergency Medical Services

At Macomb Community College



## Prepare to be the Best!

Macomb County fire departments and EMS agencies not only need qualified entry-level applicants to help save lives and property in their communities, they need them to be the best trained in the field. That's why Macomb works in collaboration with these agencies and departments to offer two specialties, EMT/Paramedic and Paramedic/Firefighter, that prepare you to join their ranks.

## Associate of Applied Science Degree in EMT/Paramedic

While both EMTs and paramedics are important members of a first response team, their training and roles are different. EMTs provide basic life support, including CPR, artificial ventilation and bandaging and splinting. Paramedics provide advanced life support, including administering medication, starting intravenous lines and advanced airway management.

In the Associate of Applied Science Degree in EMT/Paramedic at Macomb, complete the training to become an EMT in one semester and begin working in the field. Then, continue on with your paramedic training, adding the arts and sciences component to earn your associate degree.

## Two Certificate Options

Macomb also offers the EMT and Paramedic curriculum as "stand-alone" programs for those wishing to receive a certificate without taking the required arts and sciences courses for an associate degree:

- Complete the requirements for Basic EMT in one semester and you will be eligible to take the National Registry Basic EMT certification exam, completion of which is required for acceptance into the Paramedic Program.

- Complete the requirements for Paramedic in three semesters (start in the fall/finish in the summer), gaining certification in Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), and you will be eligible to take the National Registry EMT/Paramedic licensing exam.

## Associate of Applied Science Degree in Paramedic/Firefighter

Firefighters answer more than fire calls and are often first on the scene at medical emergencies and automobile and industrial accidents. Those who are qualified to administer advanced life support as well as fight fires are a plus to both a department and a community.

If you want a career as a firefighter, earning an Associate of Applied Science in Paramedic/Firefighter will make you an indispensable part of a first response team. The Paramedic/Firefighter specialty at Macomb has been endorsed by the Macomb County Fire Chiefs Association, providing an advantage to the graduate in securing employment at area EMS agencies and fire departments.

### GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT DISCLOSURE

For information about program cost, on-time completion rates, typical student debt, and other important information, visit: Emergency Medical Services-EMT/Paramedic, Certificate: <http://www.macomb.edu/ge/EMSEPCT/> Emergency Medical Services-Paramedic/Firefighter, Certificate: <https://www.macomb.edu/ge/EMSPFCT/>

## For more information

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## Employment Outlook

The median salary for an emergency medical technician and paramedic is \$29,800, with a 16.9 percent increase in job openings projected through 2024. The median salary for firefighter, firefighter/EMT and firefighter/paramedic is \$43,660, with a 3.4 percent increase in job openings projected through 2024.

## Looking for a Job?

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