

# Emergency Medical Technology (EMT)

ONE-YEAR - 260-hour program

West-MEC  
2024-25



## PARTNERSHIP WITH MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

- Deliver critical life-support care using a wide variety of medical and diagnostic equipment.
- Experience fast-paced emergency situations where your actions make a difference.
- Treat a wide range of patient conditions through a deep understanding of the human body.

A Program of Study in Emergency Response and Operations in partnership with Maricopa Community Colleges consists of Fire Science for one year and by Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) for one year. Successfully completing the

West-MEC Fire Science and EMT courses and certifications enable students to meet the three (3) prerequisites needed for admission to the Glendale Community College Fire Department Operations course, widely known as the "Fire Academy." The "Fire Academy" is specifically for students seeking a career in fire service. Additionally, students who complete the West-Mec EMT program and CPR will fulfill several prerequisites needed for admission to the Glendale Community College Paramedic Program.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS\*

- Current Sophomore and Junior students may apply (early graduates may not apply)
- Grade 10: Placement into college-level Reading by using **ONE** of the college placement test below:
  - Accuplacer Next Gen Reading : 249 or higher
  - EdReady Critical Reading: 90 or higher
  - SAT Reading Score: 510 or higher
  - ACT Reading Score: 22 or higher
- Grade 11: High school GPA of 3.0 or higher, unweighted, based on a 4.0 scale, copy of unofficial high school transcript\* OR one of the qualifying test results from options listed above
- Copy of unofficial transcript
- Proof of residency in West-MEC district boundaries
- Copy of birth certificate and immunizations/State Exemption Form due at the time of enrollment
- Student State issued ID, driver's license, or driver's permit due at time of registration
- Parent Proof of Citizenship & 1-year Arizona residency due at time of enrollment (non-resident is responsible for the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition)
- **Students cannot miss any hours in EMC101, can miss no more than 2 hours in EMC102, and can miss no more than 8 hours in EMC104.** If students violate any of these attendance requirements, they will be dropped from the program. Make-up hours are not guaranteed, and **mandatory** attendance **for the first day of each course**, as well as all testing dates, exams, and clinicals.
- Students must be able to meet the physical demands of the program.

\*Program requirements are subject to change per industry age restrictions, certification requirements, and administrative discretion.

### Meeting application criteria does not guarantee enrollment.

The Accuplacer test is available at no charge at:

- EMCC @ West-MEC Southwest Campus - 623.935.8445
- Estrella Mountain Community College Testing Center - 623.935.8860
- Glendale Community College Testing Center - 623.845.3000

For resources to help with Accuplacer or EdReady visit: [estrellamountain.edu/students/testing-services](http://estrellamountain.edu/students/testing-services)

## IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

- Proof of current Immunizations OR an AZ State Exemption Form are required
  - If an AZ State Exemption Form is submitted, a West-MEC Acknowledgement Form must be signed.
- Immunization may be required for employment in health care settings.

## COST REQUIREMENTS

Upon acceptance into the program:

- \$150.00 non-refundable registration fee includes enrollment processing, EMT books, 1st attempt at certification (CPR & NREMT), and lab fees.
- Uniform shirts (\$15 each); a watch with seconds hand (\$20); uniform pants (\$40); black steel toe boots (\$40); a black leather belt (\$20) are purchased by the student. Prices are approximate and may change.
- It is recommended that students have access to a personal computer and reliable internet outside of class to complete assignments and projects.
- The dress code is reviewed annually to meet professional industry standards. The dress code will be addressed at orientation.
- Success in the program depends upon the student having access to a personal computer (no lpad or tablet) and reliable internet outside of class to complete assignments and tests.
- Early Graduation, Graduation, or GED completion, will result in the student being charged college tuition fees. [Tuition Payment Agreement](#).
- Empowerment Scholarship Account (ESA) recipients may select West-MEC is an approved vendor\*

## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

### FEES PREPAID BY WEST-MEC

- These industry credentials are required for employment in the field a majority of the time.
  - National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians
  - American Heart Association CPR/AED (Prepaid)
- This industry credential is relevant for employment in the field with employers who contract with FEMA for the deployment of special teams for disaster response or those wishing to pursue a degree as a paramedic or firefighter.
  - Federal Emergency Management Agency- National Incident Management 100, 200, 700, 800 (Prepaid)

Program information may change as West-MEC strives to provide the best opportunities for students. Refer to [www.west-mec.edu](http://www.west-mec.edu) for most current information. Program is taught by industry certified instructors. West-MEC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability in admission to its programs, services, or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals, or in any aspect of their operations.

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## CAREER PATHWAYS

- Ambulance emergency medical technician, paramedic, EMT, firefighter\*, emergency room technician\*; knowledge obtained in this program is transferable to a broad spectrum of careers
- Entry level salary range: \$17.75 - \$22.55 per hour\*\*  
\*with additional education in this pathway | \*\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment & Wages

## LOCATION & HOURS

### GateWay Community College at Southwest Skill Center (EMCC)

3000 N. Dysart Road  
Avondale, AZ 85392

**Monday – Thursday**

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM or 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

### GateWay Community College at Gateway CC Deer Valley Campus

2931 W. Bell Road  
Phoenix, AZ 85053

**Monday - Thursday**

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**NOTE: College & high school calendars do not align & transportation provided by the student/parent**

## ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

- Acceptance into West-MEC programs may be competitive.
- Students may only be enrolled in **one** West-MEC Central Program at a time.
- The order for filling seats by grade level is as follows:
  - Current Sophomores
  - Current Juniors\*
- Applications are ranked in part by attendance, GPA, discipline and career choice (ECAP)
- Copy of birth certificate, proof of residency, and immunizations/State Exemption Form due at time of enrollment.
- Program hours are not excused for participation in extracurricular activities, athletics, vacation, or employment.
- West-MEC priority application submission date is in February. Contact school counselors for earlier deadlines for submitting applications to high school
- West-MEC students served under an IEP/504 will need to self-advocate for reasonable accommodations through the GateWay Community College Disability Resource Office. Approved accommodations may differ from those provided in the high school. The Americans with Disabilities Act requires institutions of higher education to provide reasonable accommodations to those with documented disabilities, provided an undue hardship is not created. It is the student's responsibility to inform the Disability Resource Services (DRS) Office directly of his or her need for accommodation(s), each time he or she registers for a new course. All accommodations and academic adjustments are course and semester specific and do not carry over from semester to semester or course to course.

## STUDENT SUCCESS INDICATORS

- History of good attendance and discipline and being on track for graduation. A student will be dropped from the program after 10 hours of absences.
- Strong interest in chosen career pathway
- Completed or enrolled in Biology or Anatomy/Physiology preferred
- Rigorous physical requirements will include heavy lifting (50+ lbs); must be able to distinguish lower volume sounds
- The program requires strong time management skills and 8-12 hours of homework per week
- Ability to get along with other students and cooperate with the instructor
- Ability to work accurately/follow procedures to an industry-standard
- Strong technical reading and study skills; the textbook for this course is written at the college reading level

## GRADING SCALE

Grade	A	B	C*	D**	F
Percent	90%-100%	80%-89%	70%-79%	69%-65%	64% or below

\*A 70% grade or better is required for each EMT course in order to obtain college credit and be eligible to progress to the next higher-level course.

\*\*A 65% grade or better is required to obtain high school credit.

## CREDITS ISSUED BY WEST-MEC

- High School - 2 elective credits
- This program satisfies AZ university admission requirements. (AZ Board of Regents CTE/Fine Arts credit)
- A student who withdraws from the West-MEC program may receive concurrent college credit based on the number of completed courses.

## EARLY COLLEGE PATHWAYS (OPTIONAL)

West-MEC offers a faster way forward through early college pathways, and we strive to provide robust post-secondary opportunities for students. For more information on Early College Pathways applicable to your program, check out our website on:

- [Early College Pathways](#)

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