



Dear Prospective Paramedic Student,

Thank you for your interest in the 2024/2025 Cochise College Paramedic Program. This application packet is designed to assist you in ensuring your application requirements and prerequisites are completed and submitted to the Nursing/Allied Health Department as scheduled. Entrance into paramedic program is quite competitive; therefore, it is imperative that your application packet is accurate, complete and submitted prior to the deadline of May 31, 2024.

The paramedic program is extremely demanding. The program will begin in August of 2024 and will be completed in July of 2025. Should you be accepted into the program, you can expect the paramedic program to be an 11-month program, consisting of 3 eight-week courses and 3 six-week courses. It is not recommended that students take any additional courses while enrolled in the paramedic program.

The classroom and skills lab portions of the paramedic program are held at the Cochise College Downtown Center. The majority of clinical rotations will occur at hospitals in Benson, Bisbee, Sierra Vista, Willcox and Douglas. There is a possibility of clinical rotations occurring in the Tucson area.

The Cochise College Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs ([www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP).

Should you have any questions that are not addressed in this packet, please contact Daria Rike at 520-515-5361, or email: [riked@cochise.edu](mailto:riked@cochise.edu) or Margaret Reilly 520-515-8744 email: [reillym@cochise.edu](mailto:reillym@cochise.edu). Thank you.

Respectfully,

Bethany Hill, RN, MSN, MHA  
Cochise College  
Dean of Nursing and Allied Health

# Paramedic Entrance

## Important Dates

NOW	Study for Paramedic Entrance Test (PET)
May 31, 2024	Deadline: submission of application packet
July 22, 2024	PET Exam (Paramedic Entrance Exam) Downtown Center Room B103 9:00 am
July 29, 2024	Entrance interviews – Individually Scheduled once the PET Exam was passed
July 31, 2024	Acceptance letters mailed to students**
August 22, 2024	Orientation; PMD 201 Paramedicine II begins

\*\*Registration for PMD201 may begin at any time after being accepted into the program. Signed acceptance letter must be brought to registration office to be enrolled in PMD201.

# Need Pre-reqs?

## Take PMD101

The prerequisites for the paramedic program can be difficult to obtain. PMD101 will provide you with nearly all required pre-course work. Students who take PMD101 will fulfill the following pre-requisites:

- ✓ EMT refresher
- ✓ BLS Healthcare Provider CPR
- ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (BIO 160)

Students still need a valid and current EMT (AZ or NR) certification to be eligible for enrollment into the program.

Students must have Accuplacer scores of 081 for Math and 092 or RDEX for reading if no other equivalent courses have been taken.

Students who have the required coursework for PMD101 (EMT within the last year, BIO 160 or BIO 201 and BIO 202) are not required to take this course. If you do not have one of these courses, you need to take the PMD 101 course.

# PET Information Sheet

The Paramedic Entrance Test (PET) is a computer based exam covering a variety of material. This exam is intended for prospective paramedic students and includes eight topics: affective domain, anatomy, math, reading comprehension, physiology, and EMT knowledge and experience.

The exam is generated, validated and graded by FSDAP, a third party provider not affiliated with Cochise College.

Students must score a minimum of 75% for acceptance into the paramedic program. Students with the top scores will be accepted into the program.

Scores from the PET are not disclosed to the applicant, students will only be advised if their score was sufficient to advance to the interview.

Enrollment will be capped at 24 students per AZDHS guidelines.

Students will be scheduled for the PET after their application packet is received and verified in the Allied Health office.

Students will purchase the exam that day using a debit or credit card, the cost is \$25.00

PET Testing Information:        July 22, 2024  
   Cochise College Downtown Center  
   Room B103  
   9:00 am

YOU MUST SUBMIT COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING COURSE  
REQUIREMENTS TO THE ALLIED HEALTH OFFICE TO BE SCHEDULED FOR  
THE PARAMEDIC ENTRANCE TEST (PET)

- ✓ Student Profile
- ✓ Physical exam verification
- ✓ Valid AZ EMT or NREMT
- ✓ Math placement test – score of MAT 081 or greater
- ✓ Reading placement test – score of RDG 092 or exemption (RDEX)
- ✓ Immunization verification: See attached immunization schedule
- ✓ Proof of enrollment in PMD101

Students not enrolled in PMD101 must provide the following additional documentation:

- ✓ BIO 160, or BIO 201 & 202 (grade of C or higher)
- ✓ Valid Healthcare Provider CPR or equivalent
- ✓ Proof of successful completion of an accredited EMT course or refresher in the last year

Submit copies to:

Daria Rike  
Cochise College Downtown Center  
2600 E. Wilcox Dr, Sierra Vista  
520-515-5361  
You can email, drop off or US mail in your application

Submission Deadline: May 31,2024

## **Immunizations/Documentation Required for the Paramedic Program**

- 1.) Physical (firefighter or Cochise College form)
- 2.) Hep B #1, Hep B #2, Hep B#3 (or titer)
- 3.) MMR #1, MMR #2 (or titer)
- 4.) Varicella #1, Varicella #2 (or titer)
- 5.) TB skin test (or blood test QF Gold, or chest x-ray no more than 5 yrs. Reading TB free, If you have history of exposure)
- 6.) Covid (2 vaccine)
- 7.) Flu (2023-2024)
- 8.) Tdap (Not more than 7 years old)
- 9.) BLS CPR for the Healthcare Provider
- 10.) AZ or NREMT card
- 11.) Fingerprint Clearance Card (Level I IVP card)

**Please submit these documents the first day of class for PMD 201**

**Applications are due by May 31, 2024**