

To assist in making a decision about pursuing this program, the following is a general overview of the physical requirements, working conditions and job duties of a Paramedic.

Paramedic

Paramedics care for injured or sick people in emergency settings, such as at the scene of an accident, in a home or in another non-clinical location. They work with 911 dispatchers to respond to emergency calls, perform medical services and transport hurt or ill patients to medical facilities.

Paramedics may work in hospitals, EMS services, rural health facilities and fire-based organizations. They may be required to work various shifts to provide 24-hour coverage, including early morning, day, evening and night shifts. Shifts may also include holidays and weekends. Students who successfully complete the program, with a grade point of 2.0 or better in all required courses, will be eligible to take the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians cognitive and psychomotor examinations for paramedic level of certification.

Paramedics are expected to have the ability to:

- Constantly stand and walk
- Use hands and fingers to handle and feel; reach with hands and arms
- Regularly talk and hear
- Regularly lift and/or move 50 pounds
- Regularly have a high degree of manual dexterity for fine motor skills and reaching
- Regularly communicate effectively via speech, reading and writing
- Regularly use high degree of hand-eye coordination to manipulate equipment, while simultaneously inputting data into a machine or working with a patient
- Frequently explain to patients their plan of care or procedures
- Frequently notice changes regarding patients' status, and notify other medical personnel when necessary
- Frequently bend, stoop, kneel or crouch

Source: www.bls.gov, www.ptcb.org and local job descriptions

Background Check & Drug Screen Disclosure Statement

1. I understand and acknowledge, as a requirement for my desired program, I must successfully pass a drug screening, criminal background check or both at my own expense by the date given to me by Southeast Tech.
2. I understand failure to pass the drug screening, background check or both by this date may result in my immediate termination from the program.
3. I understand the results of a drug screening, criminal background check or both may affect my eligibility to continue in the program. Furthermore, I understand that the results of a drug screening, background check or both may also affect my eligibility to attend a clinical or internship site and/or my eligibility to take specific courses in my program.
4. I understand the results of a drug screening, criminal background check or both may affect my eligibility to take a certification exam or gain employment in my desired program career field.
5. I understand any incident reported on my criminal background check may require additional expense and documentation submission for certification exam approval prior to the start of core program courses.

By signing below, I acknowledge I have read the above information and understand the general physical requirements, working conditions and job duties typically associated with a Paramedic. I understand that this information is general in nature and actual conditions and job duties may vary.

Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____