



**PimaCountyCommunityCollegeDistrict**

**East Campus**

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Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Emergency Medical Technician course offered by Pima Community College. Our helpful and friendly staff welcomes you and would like you to be able to fully enjoy your educational experience in Emergency Medicine. The campus facilities, classroom, laboratory and EMT Service Center are located on the East Campus in the E-4 building. The Campus is located in southeast Tucson and can be easily accessed from both Irvington Road and Pantano Road.

This EMT-B (EMT 100) course carries a course load of nine credit hours. The Arizona Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians both approve this course and authorize the College to offer the course. Completion of the EMT 100 course ALONE does not certify a student for employment. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be eligible to take the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians exam. (The EMT 100 course includes the practical skills portion of the National Registry exam). Certification to work as an EMT rests solely with the Arizona State Department of Health Services, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, and includes successful completion of the course, successful completion of all portions of the National Registry testing and compliance with physical and background criteria. Each student that will be attempting to certify with the State of Arizona as an EMT must be aware that there are certain criminal acts and physical limitations that may restrict their ability to complete this process. If you have a criminal conviction, are awaiting trial on a crime or have a physical limitation that could prevent you from performing the physical duties of an EMT, contact DHS at (520) 628-6985 to verify your situation meets their requirements.

Although the EMT 100 course is open to the general public, there are course requirements, which must be met, **WITHOUT EXCEPTION, PRIOR TO REGISTRATION APPROVAL**. The prerequisite requirements are listed on page 4; copies of these prerequisites must be on file with the EMT Service Center before a student can register for the class. If these items are not on file, a student will not receive the required signature needed to register for the course. By State regulation, persons who do not have these records on file cannot attend classes.

If you feel that you will not meet the physical or background requirements, you can still take the course; however, you may not be able to test for State and National Certification. You also may not be able to receive State certification as an EMT.

The required textbooks may be purchased from the East Campus Bookstore. The additional required materials may also be purchased from the East Campus Bookstore, medical supply stores throughout Tucson, or on the Internet. (See attached list of required materials and supplies).

**This course requires a large financial outlay (9 credit hours + text + supplies) so please consider the commitment of time and effort carefully before beginning the course. You are expected to attend 10 hours of class per week and spend an additional 20 hours per week in study time. Toward the end of the course you will have a requirement of 10 hours of clinical observations. You need to be aware that you will be dismissed from the program for more than ten hours of absences from class, tardiness, or failure to pass three (3) exams or skills tests at the 80% level. You will not receive a tuition reimbursement if you withdraw or are dismissed or fail the course, so please take the time to consider if you are prepared to make the commitment required by this course. (Students can drop the course before the College drop deadline and receive a tuition reimbursement).**

The student must achieve an 80% or better on **all** graded material and cannot fail more than two exams, or 3 skills tests 2 times. The following example shows how these failures will be counted:

EXAMPLE:

Test 1 Initial score 74--**1st Exam Failure**

Remedial score 82

Test 2 Initial score 70 **2nd Exam Failure**

Remedial score 80

Test 3 Initial score 72 **3rd Exam Failure**

**You are dismissed from the program.**

All Practical skills tests must receive a passing score.

Other Requirements:

- The student must be able to perform the physical requirements related to the course such as lifting 125 pounds alone or 250 pounds with a partner; bending and stooping.
- Vision and hearing capabilities must be sufficient to perform the required tasks of an EMT.
- Students must be able to communicate in both verbal and written forms.
- Completion of 10 hours of clinical observation. Failure to complete two (2) 5-hour externships will result in non-completion of the course and you will be unable to test for national registry.
- Completion of 134 classroom hours.

In order to maintain a professional learning/training atmosphere and to have students prepared for any type of class activity at any given time, a dress code is strictly enforced during classroom hours.

Official Pima College EMT Student T-shirt or a PLAIN navy blue T-shirt, long pants in good condition, and closed toe/heel shoes must be worn every day. Hats are not to be worn during class time. Any student not in the proper dress will be asked to leave class and will be docked 5 classroom hours. In addition to the classroom dress code, a clinical dress code will be enforced as well. Further information on clinical dress code will be covered with the students on the first day of class.

Please use the aforementioned guidelines to familiarize yourself with the requirements of this course prior to registration for the course. We look forward to helping you achieve your educational goals. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the East Campus EMT Service Center at 206-7839.

Class schedule is as follows: (please call 206-7839 to confirm)

**Fall/Spring Semester**, there are typically seven classes available:

Monday/Wednesday	7:30am – 12:30pm 12:35pm – 5:35pm 5:40pm – 10:40pm
Tuesday/Thursday	7:30am – 12:30pm 12:35pm – 5:35pm 5:40pm – 10:40pm
Saturday	8:00am – 6:00 pm

**Summer**, there are typically three classes available:

Monday/Wednesday	8:00am – 5:00pm
Tuesday/Thursday	8:00am – 5:00pm
Friday/Sunday	8:00 am – 5:00pm

Thank you.

Wright Randolph  
EMT Program Director  
Pima Community College

## **EMT 100 Registration Process and Requirements**

The Department of Health Services-Bureau of Emergency Services regulates this course. According to EMT regulations, certain prerequisites must be met in order to participate in the class. All students must meet these requirements, without exception. **Signature permission is required prior to registration and may be obtained by EMT Service Center staff ONLY**, located in building E-4 room 413. **Students are required to submit copies of the following prerequisites prior to receiving an approval signature:**

### **REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR THE COURSE:**

- **Reading Assessment:** Reading assessment score report must be provided, regardless of your previous education. The minimum scores and acceptable types of reading assessment tests are ASSET (score 41+), COMPASS (score 80+), ABEL, and Nelson-Denney (score 77+). Every Pima Community College campus offers the assessments in their testing center, free of charge. The **printed score report from the testing center** is required to obtain the requisite signature needed for registration in the course.
- **Proof of Age:** Prospective students must be at least **18 years old at the start of the course**, as shown on State or Government ID.
- **Health Insurance:** Proof of personal health insurance (card or letter of verification-**must have the students name on it**). Low cost, short-term insurance policies are available to students and information brochures can be obtained at any of the Pima College campuses.
- **CPR Card:** Professional level card with **at least six months remaining** in the certification period. **The ONLY acceptable cards are:**
  - American Heart Association – “Healthcare Provider”
  - American Red Cross – “Professional Rescuer”
  - American Safety and Health Institute – “CPR Pro”
  - EMP International/EMP America – “BLS Pro”
  - Green Cross or National Safety Council – “Professional Rescuer”The EMT Department of Pima Community College offers American Heart Association CPR classes; EMT 159 is a .5 credit course that will satisfy the prerequisite.
- **TB Skin Test:** (also called PPD) A negative skin test or negative chest X-Ray **administered no more than six months prior to the start of class**. This test requires the subject to return 2 days after the injection to have the site examined. Please allow enough time to complete the test before registration.
- **MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella):** Administered after the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday.
- **Proof that you have had either the Chicken Pox virus or the Varicella Vaccination**
- **Tetanus/Diphtheria (adult Type):** Abbreviated Td or DT. Must be **administered no more than 10 years before the start of class**.
- **Hepatitis B Vaccination:** The vaccination series **must be completed or students must sign and return the attached Hepatitis B Declination** form.

**COPIES OF THE ABOVE PREREQUISITES MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE EMT SERVICE CENTER ONLY. DO NOT GIVE THE MATERIALS TO THE ADVISING DEPARTMENT OR AN INSTRUCTOR.**

----- **Register:** Only after submitting copies of all prerequisites will students receive a signature on the course registration form. Take this form to the Admissions/Registration office to be enrolled in the course. **Observe the tuition payment deadline to avoid cancellation of registration due to non-payment.**

## Pima County Health Department Immunization Clinics-

These clinics offer TB (PPD) Skin Tests, MMR and Tetanus/Diphtheria immunizations at low cost. Each clinic has its own immunization schedule. Contact their offices to be sure you can get the immunization(s) you need.

Tucson area:	East Office 6920 E Broadway Blvd, Suite E 298-3888	North Office 3550 N 1st Ave 243-2850
	South Office 175 W Irvington Rd 889-9543	

Marana: call 243-2850 Green Valley: call 648-1626  
Catalina: call 243-2850 Ajo: call 520-387-7206

Although Hepatitis B Vaccination is not required for admission to the EMT Class, most agencies require it before employment as an EMT. However, if you decline to have the shot series, the form below must be signed and returned before the beginning of class.

.....Cut along dotted line.....

## Hepatitis B Vaccination Declination

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Course CRN: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I am declining the Hepatitis B vaccination series with the full understanding that by doing so I may put myself at risk for contracting Hepatitis B. I agree not to hold Pima Community College, or the EMT Department or any of their affiliates responsible.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## EMT- 100 PROJECTED COSTS

Rates and prices subject to change.

In-State Tuition for 9 credit hours (\$51.50 per credit hour)	\$ 463.50
Registration Processing Fee	\$ 10.00
Technology Fee (\$2.00 per credit hour)	\$ 18.00
Student Services Fee (\$2.00 per credit hour)	\$ 18.00
Course Fees (\$60.00 *Liability Insurance & \$55.00 Lab Fee)	\$ 115.00
Textbooks and Workbooks (see itemized list below)	\$ 132.25
Required Supplies (see itemized list below)	\$ 116.19
<b>Total = (Approx.)</b>	<b>\$872.94</b>

\*Liability Insurance is not personal health insurance. Liability Insurance is required for student participation in practical skills activities where one could possibly injure another person.

## ITEMIZED PRICE LIST FOR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

### EMT 100 (EMT-Basic)

**Books** (Only available at East Campus):

#### **Required:**

*(The first 2 are sold as a pack in the bookstore)*

**Text:** Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured (ECTSI), AAOS. 9th ed. \$ 124.00

**Review Manual:** EMT Basic Review Manual (ECTSI), AAOS. 9th ed.

**Packet:** EMT Student Handout Packet (Blue cover) \$ 8.25

[Students should not buy used copies of the packets, as certain contents may be missing]

**Subtotal = \$132.25**

#### **Supplies:**

*Prices listed are for the East Campus Bookstore. All of the required supplies are also sold at many medical supply stores throughout Tucson.*

Pocket mask with oxygen port	\$ 21.75
Blood pressure cuff	\$ 25.00
Sprague Rappaport stethoscope	\$ 39.99
Penlight	\$ 5.50
Latex Gloves (1 box – 50 Pair, <b>do not buy “one size fits all”</b> )	\$ 9.00 (est.)
Duct Tape (1 roll - 30 Yards)	\$ 3.00 (est.)
Uniform T-shirt or Plain Navy Blue T-Shirt/Polo Shirt.	\$ 11.95 uniform or
(Students must wear uniform shirt or plain navy t-shirt /polo every class. Uniform shirt is sold in Pima Bookstore and requires proof of enrollment in EMT 100 to purchase).	\$ 4.00 Plain (est.)
<b>Subtotal =</b>	<b>\$ 116.19</b>

**Total for books and supplies only = (Approx): \$248.44**

Three supplemental courses are also available through the college and are useful for students who are required to take a full course load or those needing additional study materials.

### **EMT-110, EMT 180A, EMT-198,**

#### **EMT-110:**

This is a 3 credit hour class which introduces students to Emergency Medicine. The First Responder course provides the majority of the information covered in EMT 100 including patient assessment, lifting and moving, and treatment of traumatic injuries. This course provides preparation for EMT-Basic training. It is advised that students without prior knowledge of the EMS field or with limited EMS experience take this class prior to taking EMT 100.

#### **EMT-180A:**

This is a 3 credit hour Internet class that offers interactive learning tools including: flashcards, anatomy games, crossword puzzles, and open book EMT 100 quizzes (not exams). Pretest grades will be checked and recorded randomly throughout the semester, requiring consistent participation in the course. Students will be notified in writing of any grades not received and resulting consequences to their final grade.

#### **EMT-198:**

This is a 1 credit hour class that offers introduction to the practical portion of the EMT-B National Registry Skills Stations. This class is designed for those who will be taking EMT 100 the following semester. Students will be shown the six skills stations that every EMT-B must complete for certification; they will also have the opportunity to serve as the patient in medical and trauma scenarios, and practice hands on assessment with other students. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to recognize the proper assessment of a medical and trauma patient, recognize proper application of a cervical collar and long spine board, explain the critical criteria for all National Registry testing, understand the use of body substance isolation in the pre-hospital field, name the (6) testing modules of National Registry, and explain the process of becoming an EMT-B in Arizona.