

# PARAMEDIC REQUIREMENTS | PEOSTA

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## Enrollment Requirements

### High School Completion

Certify you are a high school graduate or have a high school equivalency diploma (HSED). All documents must be submitted to the College Admissions Office at [admissions@nicc.edu](mailto:admissions@nicc.edu).

### Placement Assessments.

All students must achieve a minimum reading level prior to being accepted. Requirements may be satisfied by high school coursework completed in the past five years, college courses or completing one of the following placement assessments: ACT®, ACCUPLACER NEXT GENERATION® or ACCUPLACER®. Students should submit their high school or official college transcripts or assessment results to the Admissions Office for consideration of an assessment waiver. The placement assessment must have occurred within three years of your application date. Paramedic applicants must meet one of the following minimum requirements for reading placements:

- ACT® 19 | ACCUPLACER NEXT GENERATION® 250 | ACCUPLACER® 70

### Coursework.

Completion of one of the following courses is required with a minimum grade of C- or better and must have been successfully completed no more than five years prior to the student's application date. For transfer consideration of the following coursework, request official college transcripts be sent to [admissions@nicc.edu](mailto:admissions@nicc.edu) for evaluation.

- Basic Anatomy & Physiology with lab [BI0:161] OR Anatomy & Physiology I and II with labs [BI0:168 & BI0:173]

### Certification.

Valid State of Iowa EMT or AEMT certification in good standing.

- Students with out-of-state certifications can follow the reciprocity procedures at [idph.state.ia.us/ems/certification.asp](http://idph.state.ia.us/ems/certification.asp) to meet State of Iowa certification.

PROGRAM COSTS	PARAMEDIC (Non-Credit)	PARAMEDIC (Diploma)	PARAMEDIC (AAS)
Tuition/Fees <i>(doesn't include pre-requisite courses)</i>	\$7,322 in-state* \$7,322 out-of-state*	\$10,240 in-state* \$11,725 out-of-state*	\$13,700 in-state* \$15,680 out-of-state*
Background Check, Drug Test and Medical Document Manager	\$100	\$111	\$111
Physical Exam/Immunizations <i>(Varies based on health coverage.)</i>	Undetermined	Undetermined	Undetermined
Lab Supplies and Fees	\$1,080	\$1,007	\$1,007
Apparel	Undetermined	Undetermined	Undetermined
Certifications and Testing	Included	\$463	\$463
Clinical Transportation <i>(Gas and Lodging)</i>	Undetermined	Undetermined	Undetermined
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$8,502 in-state* \$8,502 out-of-state*	\$11,821 in-state* \$13,306 out-of-state*	\$15,281 in-state* \$17,261 out-of-state*

The costs above are provided as a guide to financing your education. The costs provided are estimated at time of publication and do not reflect the exact cost a student may incur.

\*Based on the 2024-2025 tuition and fee rates.

## Program Requirements

The following requirements must be satisfied prior to the first semester of the Radiologic Technology program at Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC). A student who does not successfully satisfy the program requirements will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist after submission of the required paperwork.

### Orientation.

Attendance at a mandatory program orientation (usually one week prior to the start of the program). Notice of orientation dates and times will occur after registration into the program courses.

### Training.

- Complete the American Heart Association Health Care Provider CPR or American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer certification
- Mandatory Reporter Child and Dependent Adult Abuse
- NICC HIPAA and Bloodborne Pathogen

### Student Health and Background Screening.

- Purchase a Certified Background package to certify and collect compliance documents required of healthcare professionals.
- Criminal, dependent adult and child abuse background screening
- Physical and immunization records (time sensitive, one year expiration)
- Provide annual proof of health insurance coverage prior to lab and clinical experiences.

### Drug testing

For more detailed information and instructions visit: [nicc.edu/programrequirements](http://nicc.edu/programrequirements)

### Accreditation

The paramedic program meets all requirements as outlined in the United States Department of Transportation and the Emergency Medical Technician - Paramedic National Standard Curriculum. The 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).

### Resources

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### Learn More.

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