Emergency TeleCommunicator: 911 Dispatcher Service Dispatcher



Application Packet
ETC Certificate Program
Portland Community College

Please read all the information in this packet and complete the 4 phases of the application. Department permission is required prior to registering for ETC classes.

9-1-1 Dispatchers

Provide Emergency and Non-emergency access to Police, Fire and Medical Services through Communications Centers known as Public-Safety Answering Points.

Service Dispatchers

Provide Emergency and Non-emergency access to Utilities, Transportation, Medical Facilities, Educational Facilities, Public and Private Resources, Social Services and a wide range of other Customer Service needs, through private Call Centers.

Both of these professions project an above average job growth over the next decade.

PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATOR: 911 DISPATCHER & SERVICE DISPATCHER

Submit all application materials to:

Portland Community College Cascade Campus Emergency TeleCommunicator Program Public Services Education Building 705 N. Killingsworth Portland, Oregon 97217 Phone: 971 722-5424

PHASE I

All candidates must submit a completed application packet containing the following:

- The program application (last page of packet).
- Typewritten responses to the Supplemental Information Questionnaire
- A copy of college placement test scores for Reading and Written English
- Certificate of typing skills
- Criminal Background Checks (Fingerprint card based), both State Police & FBI
- CPR/1st Aid card valid through current academic year.
- Copy of current Driver's License Status

Candidates wishing to enroll in either certificate program (9-1-1 Dispatch or Service Dispatch), who have submitted complete application packets, prior to the beginning of fall term, will be notified by the department and must complete the PCC admissions form before they can receive department permission to register for ETC classes. Selection will be based, in part, upon available space in the class.

IMPORTANT NOTE: ACCEPTANCE INTO THE PROGRAM DOES NOT GUARANTEE A PLACE. ACCEPTED STUDENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL ABOUT REGISTRATION DATES. IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN NOTIFIED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION, PLEASE CALL (971) 722-5424 or 971 722-5530.

Candidates must participate in all phases of the selection process, regardless of prior experience or education. Candidates who have taken the ASSET or COMPASS placement tests previously at PCC or at another institution, may use those scores.

To schedule testing, call the PCC Testing Center at any PCC campus. The testing centers are:

Cascade Campus 971 722-5234 Sylvania Campus 971 722-4533 Rock Creek Campus 971 722-7414 Southeast Center 971 722-6277

All candidates must place into WR 121 or take WR 115 or higher. Candidates are expected to type a minimum of 25 WPM or the equivalent. For keyboarding speed of less than 45 WPM a skill building keyboarding class is recommended. Candidates must submit a 3-5 minute typing test, documenting at least 25 wpm, from an approved testing center.

PHASE II

Forms and directions for the supplemental questionnaire, typing certificate, and copy of current driver's license status are included in this packet. Any CPR/1st Aid card which is current through the academic year is acceptable. American Red Cross, Medic First-Aid or American Health Association, or any other recognized training will be accepted. First Aid & CPR/AED Professional Rescuers is recommended and may be obtained by taking HE 113, or Standard First Aid and CPR/AED Adult/Child and Infant can be obtained by taking HE 112 at PCC.

PHASE III

Advising meeting: A meeting will be scheduled with a program advisor to plan the curriculum and to schedule classes. The student and advisor will identify prior classes which may apply to the program requirements and will plan a schedule for completion of the program within three terms. The minimum number of terms (11-12 week quarters) to complete 9-1-1 courses for a certificate is three terms or nine months. Students must successfully complete ETC 103, ETC 104, ETC 108, ETC 110, ETC 111 and ETC 112 or ETC 113 in sequence to continue in the program. Successful completion requires a grade of "C" or better in each of the above listed courses or labs. Substitute course work can be used in some cases to complete requirements, acceptable substitute courses will be determined by the program advisor. Students are expected to observe emergency services personnel or call center personnel on the job, there will be class assignments designed to facilitate these activities, which enhance the student's understanding of a career in dispatching.

At the time of the advising meeting please have your completed responses to the supplemental questions, a copy of your reading and writing test scores, your certificate of typing speed and your driver's license status.

PHASE IV

Upon conditional acceptance into the program, students will be required to successfully complete a Criminal History Background check. Students must complete a release letter and a security clearance release form and submit them with 2 recent fingerprint cards to the Oregon State Police. Fingerprint cards must contain the words "CJIS SECURITY" in the box marked reason fingerprinted. Fingerprints may be taken by a passport/visa service, some police agencies (they do charge for the service) or through the ETC program (no fee). Arrangements to have fingerprints taken at PCC can be done during the advising appointment, or you may contact the program advisor to schedule fingerprinting prior to the advising appointment.

EMERGENCY TELCOMMUNICATOR PROGRAM REQUIRED CLASSES FOR ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE in 9-1-1 DISPATCHING

• Some CJA, EMT or FP courses may substitute for ETC courses, please contact program advisor to discuss substitute coursework.

EM 101	Intro to Emergency Services	4
CJA 101	Cultural Diversity in Public Safety Professions	3
EM 103	Intro to Radio Communications	3
ETC 103	Intro to Emergency Telecommunications	4
ETC 104	NAED Basic TeleCommunicator Certification	4
ETC 105	Crisis Intervention & CISM	3
ETC 106	Law for TeleCommunicators	3
ETC 108	Intro to Computer-Aided Dispatching	2
ETC 110	Communication Center Operations-Basic Skills	3
ETC 111	Communication Center Operations-Intermediate Skills	3
ETC 112	Communication Center Operations – 9-1-1 Dispatcher	3
ETC 124	Radio Communications Lab	1
ETC 125	Fire Dispatching	2
ETC 201	LEDS	1
ETC 202	Emergency Medical Dispatch – Overview	2
ETC 203	Tactical Dispatch for High Risk Incidents	1
ETC 215	ES:Capstone – Emergency Services Hiring Process	3
ETC 280A	ETC: Cooperative Ed/9-1-1	1
MSD 151	Dealing with Difficult People	1
CAS 122	Keyboarding for Speed & Accuracy	3

50 Credit Total

EMERGENCY TELCOMMUNICATOR PROGRAM REQUIRED CLASSES FOR ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE in SERVICE DISPATCHING

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ETC 110	Communication Center Operations-Basic Skills	3
ETC 111	Communication Center Operations-Intermediate Skills	3
ETC 113	Communication Center Operations-Services Dispatch	3
ETC 124	Radio Communications Lab	1
ETC 202	Emergency Medical Dispatch – Overview	2
ETC 215	ES: Capstone – Emergency Services Hiring Process	3
ETC 280A	ETC: Cooperative Ed. Service Dispatch	1
MSD 105	Interpersonal Communications	3
MSD 117	Customer Relations	3
MSD 151	Dealing with Difficult People	1
CAS 122	Keyboarding for Speed & Accuracy	3

Completion of ETC 103, 104, & 110, 111 will qualify students to sit for the NAED Emergency Telecommunicator Basic certificate test.

A separate handout is available listing current tuition, fees and cost of textbooks.

The ETC program is a financial aid eligible program (50/49 credits) Applicants interested in financial aid opportunities should contact the PCC Financial Aid Office at 971 722-5278.

Thank you for your interest in our program. If you have any questions, please call our office at: 971 722-5424

Portland Community College Effective Summer 2013

The following information is for the academic year beginning in June 2013. The costs listed are only an estimate, but should be very close to actual cost. In order to calculate the cost of classes, multiply the number of credit hours you will be taking by the tuition rate and fees; add the cost of textbooks (varies with each course), the book store at Cascade is a good place to check on textbook prices; add the cost of supplies. This should give you the total for each course.

Tuition is \$88.00 per credit hour (a three credit course would be \$264.00 tuition). Fees average \$6.20 per credit hour (Technology Fee - \$4.50, Student Activity Fee - \$1.70). Tuition and Fees information can be found on MyPCC, look under paying-for-college/tuition/.

Textbooks for the 9-1-1 program average about \$200.00 per term or \$400-\$600.00 for the entire program. \$200.00 should cover all supplies: notebooks, paper, pens, storage media, such as, flash drives for the entire program.

If you take a three credit course your tuition and fees would be \$264, books range from \$30 - \$95 per textbook (many of our classes do not require textbooks) and supplies would probably be about \$50-100.

Generally, the total cost of the 50 credit program is about \$5480.00. There are various methods of payment. The ETC Program is Financial Aid eligible.

Emergency TeleCommunicator: 911 Certificate:

Items	Cost (50 Cr)	Your Cost
Tuition \$88 per credit *	\$4,400.00	\$
College Service Fee per term \$15.00	\$45.00	
Additional Fees **	\$343.00	
Books and Materials	\$600.00	
Tools and Equipment (Headset/Flashdrive)	\$50.00	
Specialized Clothing or Uniform	\$30.00	
Transportation Fee per term \$4.00	\$12.00	
Technology Fee, Student Activity Fee Criminal Background Check Fee **	\$1.70 per cr \$4.50 per cr \$33.00 to OSP	
TOTAL COST FOR PROGRAM	\$ 5480.00	\$
Parking permits per term \$38-40	\$114-120	

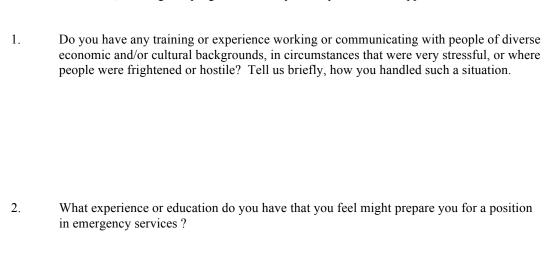
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Supplemental Information Questionnaire

RETURN WITH APPLICATION

Instructions:

In order to complete your application, please respond to the questions listed below. Your response to each question should be no longer than half a page, typewritten or neatly printed, and should describe your qualification. Do not be concerned if you do not have a great deal of experience, that you feel is relevant, or do not have a high level of skill in the use of computers, this is simply an evaluation tool to see where you are as an individual, entering this program. Attach your responses to the application form.



3. What level of computer skills do you possess? Do you have a PC at home or have you used a PC in a work environment? Please describe your skill level based upon your own assessment of your typing speed and accuracy. Your experience and/or skill level will not impact your potential for enrollment in this program, as long as you meet the minimum requirement of 25 wpm, but you should be aware that most employers require a minimum of 35 WPM and some require 55 WPM.

Forms and Directions

1. Application Form

Please fill out the top portion of the application completely. Sign and date the bottom of the form.

2. Typing Test Form

Bring your competed typing certificate with your application. Directions and locations for obtaining the typing certificate are enclosed.

3. CPR/First-Aid Certification

You must obtain a current CPR/First-Aid Card which Is valid through the end of the school year in which you begin the ETC Program. Any Red Cross, Medic First Aid or American Heart Association training will do. The preferred course will include Professional CPR/AED for Adults/Children and Infant CPR and Standard First-Aid.

You may also obtain the certification by taking HE 112, First Aid and Emergency Care (1 credit) or HE 113, First Aid and CPR/AED Professional Rescuers/Health Care Providers (1 credit) at PCC.

Please provide a copy of your current CPR/First-Aid certification with your application.

4. Driver's License Status

You must provide a copy of your current driving record, obtained within 60 days of the beginning of fall term classes. Driver's license information can be obtained through the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) in Oregon, select "DR" Non-Employment Driving Record on the form. Cost to you will be \$1.50.

A form to order your own record is included. You may also download the form from the DMV website.

In Washington contact the Washington State Department of Licensing to request a copy of your driving record. A form to request an employment copy of your license is included. You may also download the form from the Washington DOL. Cost is \$13.00.

5. Criminal Background Check

Two criminal background checks will be done on all applicants for the ETC Program. You may obtain your own fingerprint cards through a passport service or law enforcement agency. Two cards are required, one will be sent to the Oregon State Police and the other to the FBI. Most agencies charge \$12-\$15 per card. You may make an appointment with the ETC Program office to have the fingerprint cards done at no cost to you.

Please fill out the enclosed forms to submit with your fingerprint cards. You will mail one card and the form to the Oregon State Police. The cost of this background check is \$33.00. The second card and CJIS Security form will be sent by PCC for processing and there is no charge to you.

Please return one fingerprint card and the CJIS security form with your application.

It will be the responsibility of the student to turn in the original background report, unopened, to the program office. The original fingerprint card and response letter from the Oregon State Police, as well as any record, will be returned to you. A copy of the response letter will be placed in your student file for the 9-1-1 department only, no background information will be released to any other college department, including student records. Participation in some class assignments maybe restricted until the background check is completed. Certain background information may disqualify you from employment in the emergency services field, and may limit or restrict your ability to perform required assignments.

To help you decide whether or not you could be successful in passing a Criminal History Background check, here are some circumstances that are likely to disqualify you in the field:
Any conviction for a felony or serious misdemeanor or a pattern of unlawful behavior as an adult.
A history of regular or continuous association with persons or groups, whom the student knows, are currently the subject of a felony investigation, are under criminal indictment, or have been convicted of a felony.
Emergency Dispatch Centers generally review an applicant's background regarding substance abuse, driving records, and acceptable employment history. Even though this check may not fully investigate these things, any student with concerns in these areas should contact the program advisor to evaluate the potential impact upon future employment.

PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE Emergency TeleCommunicator Program Applicant

Typing Test Instructions

Prior to acceptance into the Emergency TeleCommunicator Program (ETC), you must obtain written verification of your typing speed and accuracy. Typing speed must be a net of at least 25 words per minute (using the formula provided on the Verification of Typing Speed Certificate, included in this packet). You may obtain a test at one of the following locations or other offices (most temporary employment agencies), which administer and validate typing tests in your city or state. You may also submit a certificate of typing speed from a typing class, but the test must have been within the past twelve months. Please follow the instructions for scheduling your test. Be sure to identify yourself as an applicant for the Portland Community College, Emergency TeleCommunicator Program and bring picture identification. Verification of Typing Speed Certificates dated more than six months before the date of submission, will not be accepted. Typing tests administered via an Internet program will not be accepted.

Please take the Verification of Typing Speed Certificate form with you when you test and submit the completed certificate either with your ETC application, or by the deadline date. Upon receipt of your application, you will be notified of the date the typing certificate must be submitted.

All applicants <u>MUST</u> have valid proof of typing speed. Typing speeds less than 25 words per minute net will not be accepted. Applications received without valid proof of typing speed will be eliminated after the deadline date for submitting the typing certificate.

TYPING TEST LOCATIONS

Express Personnel Services

7417 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy, Suite 800

Portland, Oregon

Phone: 503 292-1200 – Call for appointment

Cost: \$10 Cash

Testing available 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Express Personnel Services

10011 SE Division, Suite 101

Portland, Oregon

Phone: 503 254-1200 - Call for appointment

Cost: \$10 Cash

Testing available 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Additional Locations on Back

TYPING TEST LOCATIONS

Express Personnel Services

11504 SE Mill Plain Blvd, Suite C1

Vancouver, Washington

Phone: 360 883-3600 – Call for appointment

Cost: \$10 Cash per session

Testing times vary throughout week

Northwest Temporary & Staffing Services

700 SE Taylor St, Suite 200

Portland, Oregon

Phone: 503 242-0611 – Call for appointment

Cost: \$10 Cash or Check

Testing available 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Northwest Temporary & Staffing Services

10365 SE Harmony Rd, Suite 320

Clackamas, Oregon

Phone: 503 427-2100 - Call for appointment

Cost: \$10 Cash

Testing available 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Northwest Temporary & Staffing Services

10029 SW Nimbus Ave. Beaverton, Oregon

Phone: 503 643-7574 – Call for appointment

Cost: \$10 Cash

Testing available 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Brooks Staffing

1130 NE Alberta St. Portland, Oregon

Phone: 503 284-7930 - Call for appointment

Cost: No Fee

Testing available 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Attach this form to your typing certificate

Verification of Typing Speed Certificate For Portland Community College ETC Program

Applicant's Name:	email address:
The information be	low must be completed by the agency administering the typing test
	a score of at least 25 NET WPM to meet the minimum qualifications. Please ensure typing test is at least 3 minutes in length)
Agency Name:	
Agency Address:	
Agency Phone #:	Date of typing test:
Name of person administering	test:
Total Words Typed:	Total Errors for Entire Test: = NET Words Per Minute
Application	ns without this completed form will not be considered complete

RETURN WITH APPLICATION

PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATOR TRAINING 9-1-1

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK REQUEST FORM

Applicants should mail this form, when completed, with their fingerprint card and a check or money order in the amount of \$33.00, made payable to Oregon State Police.

Mail To:	Oregon State Police Identification Services Unit 11 P.O. Box 4395 Portland, Oregon 9720		
From:	(Type or Print – Full N	ame)	
	(Address)		
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY CLEARANCE BACKGROUND REQUEST

I have been informed that in order to be allowed access into areas associated with or around Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS), a state and national fingerprint background check will be required.

I understand that the existence of a criminal record in itself would not disqualify me for employment, contract work, or being a volunteer, however may effect what locations I will be allowed access. Further, I understand if there is any question regarding the results of the fingerprint background check, I may contact the Oregon State Police Identification Services Section directly for information regarding the results of the check.

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EMAIL cbruneau@pcc.edu				
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Manager Signature (REOUIR	ED)	Date		

RETURN WITH APPLICATION



ORDER YOUR OWN RECORD

You can order your own record, by mail, from the DMV Headquarters. Records are mailed to you at your address shown on your DMV computer record unless you indicate otherwise. If you want records faxed or mailed to an address other than your address on the DMV's record, you must include enough information in your request for DMV to verify your identity, such as: date of birth, place of birth, address of record, mother's maiden name, etc. If you are requesting a record that contains another person's personal information as well as your own (such as a title history or odometer history), your personal information will appear on the record(s) but other person's will not.

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A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER, PAYABLE TO "OREGON DMV"

For a complete list of fees and records (refer to Form 735-6691) www.oregondmv.com

MAIL REQUEST TO: DMV RECORDS SERVICES, 1905 Lana Avenue, Salem, OR 97314 Please call Records Services at 503-945-5475 with questions regarding this form.

Emergency TeleCommunicator Program 9-1-1 Dispatcher/Service Dispatcher **Application for Admission** (Please Print or Type All Information)

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