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HEALTH CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION, MATH & SCIENCE  
Non-Specialized Admissions Program Information Guide  
For  
BORDER HEALTH ISSUES  
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION (C3-HLTH)  
2023-2024 Catalog

### PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

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### PROGRAM MAP

Program Map provides additional information regarding salary projections, employment opportunities, licensure requirements and Educational milestones. LINK: <https://www.epcc.edu/Academics/Catalog/program-map?programID=821>

▲ **NOTE:** No ranking courses are required for Border Health Issues. Student may enroll in C3-HLTH selected courses prior to completion of a Certificate of Completion or an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Health Career or related Career.

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The following is Required of all Students Enrolling in this Program:

- Submit all previous college/university official transcripts (transliteration of all foreign coursework required).  
For online transcripts for Evaluation: [sendtranscripts2@epcc.edu](mailto:sendtranscripts2@epcc.edu) PDF with a password protection.
- Student must have a **High School Diploma or GED**. Submit official transcripts to:  
**El Paso Community College Admissions Office**  
**P.O. Box 20500, El Paso, Texas 79998**
- **Student must:**
  1. Be approved to take credit academic courses by EPCC **Be approved to take credit academic courses by EPCC.**
  2. **If applicable** must complete the **TSI Assessment Tests**.
  3. **Submit Specialized Admissions Application** form and pay \$ 10.00 fee. Specialized Admission email: [specialized.adm@epcc.edu](mailto:specialized.adm@epcc.edu), in person would be at the Valle Verde campus.
  4. **A grade of a "C" or better is required** for all academic and specialized courses listed under the degree plan.
- **"Effective Fall 2011, and based on new federal regulations, students are not allowed to repeat previously passed courses more than once."**  
Students should meet with a counselor to determine how a repeat course (s) may impact his/her academic, prerequisite, specialized admissions or transferability of courses. It is the student's responsibility to check with the Office of Student Financial Services to inquire how a repeat course (s) may impact their financial aid or veteran's assistance.

## TEXAS SUCCESS INITIATIVE (TSI) ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS

The Texas State Legislature mandates that institutions assess all entering undergraduate students for readiness to enroll into college-level course work in the academic areas of Essay, Reading, Math, and Writing Assessment Tests, and to provide individualized developmental education programs to those students not demonstrating this readiness. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) requires the reporting of developmental progression and outcome of all students engaged in developmental education. Refer to EPCC Catalog or see your counselor for more information.

### PRE-PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- None at this time.

### PROGRAM SPECIFIC CRITERIA

The Following is Required of all Applicants:

- **Student must have completed or be enrolled in a Health Career Program or related career; such as Social Work or Sign Language with an Associate Degree or Higher.**
- Must file a degree plan with the designated Health Counselor
- **PROGRAM COORDINATOR:** Helga Carrion, RG Campus, room A-246 - Telephone # (915) 831-4341.

### POST-ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

- None at this time.

### BORDER HEALTH ISSUES DEGREE PROGRAM COURSES

Check 2023-2024 El Paso Community College Catalog for Prerequisites

HPRS	1191	Special Topics in Health Professions and Related Sciences, Other
HPRS	1202	Wellness and Health Promotion
HPRS	1205	Essentials of Medical Law/Ethics for Health Professionals
HPRS	1206	Essentials of Medical Terminology
HECO	1322	Nutrition and Diet Therapy <sup>1</sup> or
HPRS	2300	Pharmacology for Health Professions <sup>1</sup> or
HPRS	2332	Health Care Communications <sup>1</sup>

(C) Core Curriculum Course (F) Field of Study.

**\*\*Students may enroll in selected courses prior to completion of an Associate of Applied Science degree in a Health Career or related careers.**

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Maximum Students Admitted:** 25 Students per course, multiple courses scheduled most semesters.
- Community Wide Orientation online at: <https://www.epcc.edu/Admissions/Orientation/community-wide-orientation>
- HIPAA online at: <https://www.epcc.edu/Academics/Health/hipaa>
- Online additional program-specific and career information: <https://www.epcc.edu/Academics/Health>
- Students who completed articulated or dual credit courses in health in high school should bring this to the attention of the counselor. College credit may still be available.
- Website for Border Health Issues Program: <https://www.epcc.edu/Academics/Health/health-professions-and-related-science>

### OTHER INFORMATION

- CPR and First Aid Courses are available through the **EPCC Continuing Education Division**. Please see the current Continuing Education Course Schedule or call 915-831-7820 for more information.

➤ Our EPCC Rio Grande Border Health Clinic is located at the Rio Grande Campus, for information call: 915- 831-4016 or call 915-831-4017 for dental, medical sonography, or physical therapy clinics.

**This document is to be used with EPCC College Catalog, which provides complete information on courses as well as College regulations and procedures. This is for informational purposes only and is not a binding offer or contract between the College and the student. This document was revised September 2022 and is subject to change without prior notice.**

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