

Full Time —2021/2022

PROGRAM LENGTH: 4 months

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: This program is designed to meet the licensing exam prerequisite requirements of the Alberta College of Paramedics for Advanced Care Paramedic graduates that completed a Canadian Medical Association (CMA) or Accreditation Canada (AC) accredited diploma program. This stand-alone program is being offered to ACP graduates who did not participate in the Alberta College of Paramedics licensing evaluation process within 12 months from the date the ACP diploma or academic transcript was issued, were unsuccessful in ACP licensing process or whose ACP license has expired. The ACP upgrading program is also open for enrollment to out of province candidates that have completed a CMA or AC accredited program or those who have had an upgrading program completion identified as a requirement by the Alberta College of Paramedics Substantial Equivalency Review process. The ACP Refresher course consists of twelve (12) weeks online access to ACP upgrading online resources with required online participation, during this time learners will review treatment guidelines, protocols, skill checklists and quizzes with instructor facilitation. In addition, students will access pre-read material for ACP skill upgrades. Upon completion of the online portion, learners will be required to attend NLC's five (5) days of face-to-face classroom sessions with scenario and skills practice. During the instructor led onsite days, students will review, practice, upgrade and be evaluated on ACP skills as learned in the ACP Program.

PROGRAM OF STUDY: PROGRAM OF STUDY:

ACCP1000	Advanced Care Paramedic Upgrading Practicum (3 credits)
ACPU1100	Advanced Care Paramedic Upgrading Foundations I (6 credits)
ACPU1200	Advanced Care Paramedic Upgrading Foundations II (6 credits)

PROGRAM DELIVERY: This program is offered using a blended, distance delivery model. The program is online, supported by computer-based lectures, face-to-face lab seminars, and a clinical practicum. To learn more about Collaborate and to experience using it, check out this guide: <https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/Documents/Collaborate-Guide-for-Students-at-NLC.pdf>. To learn more about Moodle and to experience using it, check out this guide: <https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/Documents/Moodle-Guide-for-Students-at-NLC.pdf>

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must have:

Advanced Care Paramedic Certificate from an approved program accredited by the Canadian Medical Association or Accreditation Canada.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS (required prior to first practicum):

- Class 5 Drivers License.
- Immunization record.
- Current CPR card dated within one year of the start date of the classes
- A Police Information Check completed within the last 3 months, will be required at the beginning of the term. The existence of a criminal record may affect practicum placement, program completion, and employment prospects.
- Students will sign waivers indicating they are aware the presence of a criminal record or lack of an immunization record may impede their ability complete the program, to write the ACP program registration exam, to become registered as an ACP or to secure employment.
- **IF ENGLISH IS A SECOND LANGUAGE:** Refer to International Student Information for fluency requirements (information available on website)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: Upon registration with the Alberta College of Paramedics, graduates are eligible to work in rural, urban, clinical and industrial settings. They will be able to provide ground or air ambulance services.

COST ESTIMATES:	Tuition	\$ 2722.50
	Learning Resource Fee	\$ 960.00
	Technology Fees	\$ 130.00
	Student Association Fees	\$ 120.00
	TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS:	\$ 3932.50

NOTE: All fees are subject to change. Cost of textbooks are not included in this fee estimate. Book list is located under Program Resources on the NLC website.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS: Location: **Slave Lake only**

Offering 1:	Program Dates	Application Deadline	Payment/Registration Deadline:
Offering 2:	September 1 – December 17, 2021	August 1, 2021	August 14, 2021
	N/A		

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- **APPLICATION:** Complete and submit a Northern Lakes College application on the college website at www.northernlakescollege.ca (follow: <https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/apply-now/program-applications>) or through Apply Alberta (APAS).
- **FORMS:** A Health Status Form will be required to be submitted on or before first day of class. A Criminal Record Check (completed within last 3 months) and an up-to-date Immunization Record will be required prior to attending practicum. Please note: the existence a Criminal Record may affect practicum placement, program completion and employment prospects.
- **ACCEPTANCE:** Applicants who meet the admission requirements will be accepted and offered a space in the next available offering of the program. In some cases, the spaces at a specific location may be full and accepted applicants will be placed on a waitlist. These applicants will be accepted in the order of 'first qualified, first served'. Applicants will receive a letter informing them of their acceptance status.
- **REGISTRATION AND COMMITMENT FEE:** Accepted applicants in all career programs will be required to complete registration forms within one month of receipt. This registration includes a \$100.00 (full-time) or \$75.00 (part time) commitment/tuition fee deposit. **This fee is non-refundable.**
- **FUNDING:** Applicants are encouraged to check on funding options early (minimum of 2 – 3 months prior to program start date) and are responsible for forwarding any sponsorship letters to Admissions as soon as possible. Counselors can assist with identifying funding options and applying for sponsorship of fees and living costs. Specific awards related to this program include: CCEC partnership Bursary, Roland Gladue Memorial Scholarship, TransCanada Partnership Award. Please visit the NLC website scholarships and awards page to learn more.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For any assistance, questions or concerns, the following college staff is available:

Admissions: **Shirley Becker at (780) 849-8606** (fax 849-2570)
E-mail: shirbeck@northernlakescollege.ca
Questions regarding status of your application, student housing, admission requirements, program costs.

Program Contacts: **Fred Light at (780) 849-8600 Extension 8327**
E-mail: lightf@northernlakescollege.ca
Questions about program content, employment opportunities for the program.

All other inquires: **Admissions Services 1-866-852-3456**
Email: admissions@northernlakescollege.ca
(including General inquiries about College services & programs student housing, library, facilities)