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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO OFFER NEW DEGREE:
EMT-PARAMEDIC PROGRAM**

Selden, NY –Suffolk County Community College will begin offering an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) EMT-Paramedic Degree program through its Department of Education, Health and Human Services on the Ammerman Campus in Selden in the fall of 2012.

“The course of study leading to the EMT-Paramedic A.A.S. degree takes two years, with paramedic education coursework beginning in the fall semester of the second year. This is an intensive full time program that includes a rigorous academic curriculum and significant outside clinical work,” says Professor Matthew Zukosky, the Program’s Coordinator.

The new program fulfills the requirements set by state and national agencies for credentialing of the paramedic. It stresses mastery in basic and advanced life-support skills, with instruction occurring in college laboratories, affiliated hospitals and advanced life-support ambulances.

Successful completion is accomplished through the student’s dedication to the study of advanced pre-hospital medicine, self-discipline, and academic and ethical integrity. It is through this educational process that the graduates will be highly competent and efficient healthcare professionals who are ready to serve their communities.

Upon successful completion of the paramedic coursework, students will be eligible to participate in the paramedic credentialing examinations through the NYS Department of Health and the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

For more information about this program, please contact Professor Matthew Zukosky at (631) 451- 4678 or zukoskm@sunysuffolk.edu.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 26,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering affordable college tuition, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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