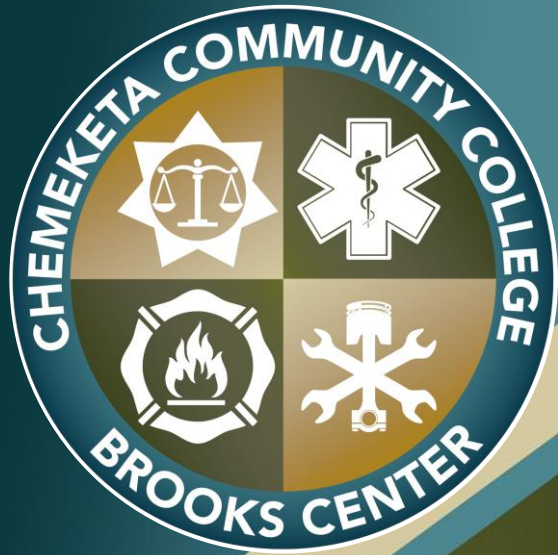




Explore the Chemeketa Brooks Center

About Chemeketa

Founded in 1970:

Chemeketa Community College was established to provide accessible and affordable education to the residents of the Willamette Valley in Oregon. The name "Chemeketa" comes from the Chinook Native American word for "peaceful place."



BOLT

Chemeketa Mascots over the years:

In 1998, the "Chemeketa Storm" mascot, designed by Carolyn Guthrie, replaced the former "Chiefs" mascot and was unveiled after a year-long contest.

In 2019, Chemeketa introduced "Bolt," a lightning bolt-inspired mascot, to electrify school spirit and represent their athletic teams, the Chemeketa Storm!



1998 Logo

Fun Facts About Chemeketa

Chemeketa Has a Farm!

The Chemeketa Agricultural Center is a real working farm where students can learn about everything from animal husbandry to sustainable farming techniques. The farm also occasionally sells products, like fresh eggs, produce, and honey, to the public.

And an Award-Winning Winery!

Chemeketa's Eola campus in Salem, Oregon, is a key resource for wine education, offering degree programs and continuing education in all aspects of the wine industry. It houses Chemeketa Cellars, a student-run winery and tasting room where visitors can sample award-winning wines and interact with students about their studies. The center also has an event venue, with stunning views, is available for private events when not in use for educational purposes.

A Fun Tradition: "Chemeketa Rocks!"

There's a fun tradition among Chemeketa students where people hide **decorated rocks** around campus for others to find. Students paint the rocks with inspirational messages, cute designs, or funny phrases, and then hide them around the campus. If you find one, you get to keep it or re-hide it for someone else to find. It's a fun way to spread positivity and engage with the community.

Chemeketa Locations

Salem 4000 Lancaster (aka “Main Campus”)

Yamhill 288 NE Norton Lane, McMinnville

Woodburn 120 E Lincoln Street, Woodburn

Brooks 4910 Brooklake Rd, Brooks

Polk 340 Holman Avenue, Dallas

Eola 215 Doaks Ferry Road NW, Salem

Center for Business & Industry 626 High Street NE, Salem

Chemeketa Online



Ready to Get Started?

Discover a variety of career pathways available at the Chemeketa Brooks Center, designed to prepare you for hands-on, high-demand jobs. The following programs offer practical training and skills that can lead you to a successful and rewarding future career.

Chemeketa Brooks Center Career Pathways:

- Criminal Justice
- Diesel Technology
- Emergency Medical Services
- Fire Protection

Criminal Justice Career Pathways:

- **Criminal Justice AAS Degree**

Careers: 911 Telecommunications, case and security aides, private and public security work, investigative field work, insurance adjusting, or license inspecting

- **Corrections AAS Degree**

Careers: Corrections officer or parole and probation officer

- **Law Enforcement AAS Degree**

Careers: Police officer, sheriff's deputy, state trooper, or federal agent

Criminal Justice (continued)

The **Criminal Justice Program** is designed for students seeking a broad understanding of the criminal justice system, this six-term program offers flexibility with remote and online courses. You'll gain foundational knowledge in constitutional law, ethics, the role of the justice system, and an introduction to various career options, such as dispatching, law enforcement, corrections, and courts. This program prepares you for a wide range of opportunities within the field.

The **Corrections Program** is a seven-term program focusing on the skills needed to work in correctional facilities, including jails, prisons, and juvenile detention centers, while also introducing the role of community corrections officers in parole and probation. Meeting just two days a week, you'll explore topics such as intake and assessment, offender rehabilitation, managing caseloads, and understanding the legal system from a correctional perspective. The program includes hands-on training in real-world scenarios, such as defensive tactics, search procedures, and corrections supervision. You'll also gain practical skills in using restraints, pepper spray, and Tasers. This program is ideal for students interested in careers as corrections officers, parole and probation officers, or correctional counselors.

The **Law Enforcement Program** is a seven-term program offering a balanced approach, with 50% hands-on training and 50% classroom learning. Requiring just two days per week, it accommodates other commitments while preparing you for a career as a police officer. Practical skills include firearms handling, defensive tactics, and real-world scenarios such as traffic stops, basic arrests, and criminal investigations. You'll also gain expertise in using Tasers, deploying pepper spray, and operating drones. This program is perfect for students aspiring to become law enforcement officers, whether with a local police department, sheriff's office, or state police.

Diesel Technology Career Pathway:

- Diesel Tech AAS Degree

Career: Diesel Technician

Diesel technicians repair and maintain diesel engines and their component support systems for a variety of machines, including agricultural, construction, forestry, and earth-moving equipment, as well as semi-trucks, boats, and generators.

Diesel Technology (continued)

The Diesel Technology Program is a selective, two-year degree program preparing students for careers in agriculture, on- and off-highway industries. With only 24 seats available each fall, students gain hands-on, real-world training. Students learn to work on engines, fuel systems, hydraulics, and advanced electrical systems. Factory certifications from Daimler's Get Ahead program, Kubota NC3 certificates, and the AGCO Nextech program enhance their credentials.

Ranked 13th out of 310 diesel programs nationally in 2025, the program features state-of-the-art equipment like two 2020 Cascadia trucks, new tractors, modern engines, and state-of-the-art trainers. Support from Daimler, Kubota, and AGCO enriches the experience. Internships offer \$18–\$25 per hour, with potential roles at Freightliner or Cherriots starting at \$25 per hour and advancing to six-figure salaries in specialized positions.

Applicants must submit an essay and participate in an interview. Training includes engine rebuilding, electrical fundamentals and diagnostics, hydraulics, brakes, steering and suspension, heavy-duty powertrains, HVAC, advanced engine controls, and fuels. Courses are supplemented with resources like the Kubota Tech curriculum. With small class sizes, in-demand skills, and cutting-edge equipment, graduates earn certifications and access high-paying, stable careers. Apply early to secure your spot!

Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways:

- EMT Certificate
- Firefighter-EMT Certificate
- Paramedic Bridge Certificate
- Paramedicine AAS Degree

Careers: Licensed EMTs and Paramedics are eligible for work at ambulance companies, fire departments, police departments, hospitals, medical clinics and in the industry as on-site first responders.

EMS (continued)

Chemeketa offers a comprehensive Emergency Medical Services (EMS) program, perfect for those interested in saving lives and working in fast-paced, high-impact environments. Whether you're looking to become an EMT or advance to a Paramedic, the program offers various pathways to help you reach your goals.

The EMT Certificate can be completed in just one term with accelerated classes offered each term, or you can take the two-term option. If you're aiming for a Paramedic Program, it's a two-year commitment that can begin while you're still in high school with summer classes. After high school graduation, you'll finish the program in just one additional term. This pathway can lead to great earning potential, with EMTs making \$17–\$24 per hour and paramedics earning \$80,000–\$110,000 annually, depending on experience and location.

Whether you're working as an EMT or advancing to a Paramedic, the EMS field offers a dynamic lifestyle with high demand and great job variety. EMS professionals are urgently needed, and Chemeketa's EMS program is here to help you succeed with top-tier training, industry connections, and a clear path to a rewarding career.

Fire Protection Career Pathways:

- Fire Suppression AAS Degree

Careers: Firefighter-EMT

- Firefighter-EMT Certificate

Careers: Entry-level Firefighter-EMT

Fire Protection

Career Pathways: (continued)

- **Basic Fire Prevention-Community Risk Reduction Certificate**
Careers: Fire prevention inspector, fire safety educator, fire marshal assistant, and emergency management assistant.
- **Intermediate Fire Prevention-Community Risk Reduction Certificate**
Careers: Fire prevention specialist, entry-level fire investigator, fire safety consultant, deputy fire marshal, and emergency services coordinator.
- **Fire Prevention-Community Risk Reduction AAS Degree**
Careers: Fire Inspector, Fire Investigator, Entry-level Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement Officer, Fire and Life Safety Technician, Plans Examiner, and Public Fire Educator.

Fire Protection (continued)

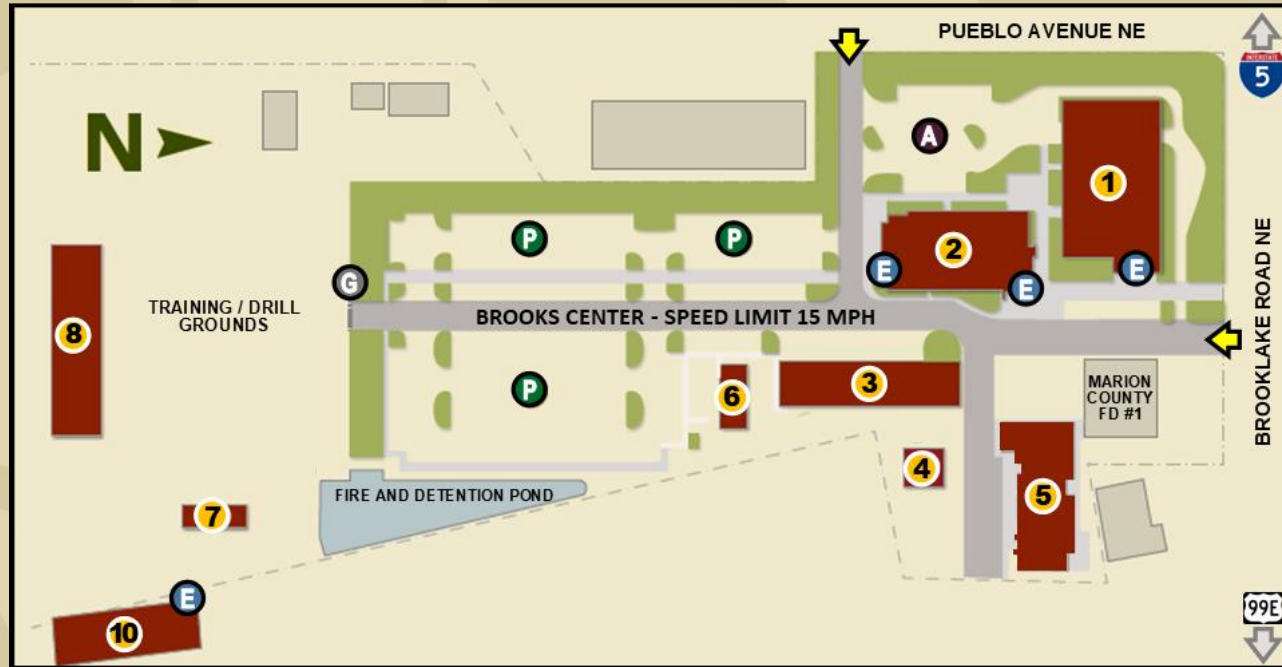
Fire Suppression

If you're interested in fighting fires and helping save lives, Chemeketa's Fire Suppression program is for you. In addition to classroom learning, you'll get hands-on experience working 24-hour shifts. You'll learn everything from fire behavior to emergency medical skills and operate real fire equipment. The program also offers pathways to combine your studies with Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) and Paramedic programs. Successful students will become licensed EMTs and some have the opportunity to apply for the Paramedic Bridge Certificate program. Upon graduation, you'll be ready to start your career as a firefighter.

Fire Prevention

In Chemeketa's Fire Prevention program, you'll learn how to stop fires before they start and explore exciting career opportunities in both public and private sectors. This accredited program prepares you through hands-on training, classroom work, and real-world field experience. You'll study fire inspection, risk reduction, criminal investigations, and how to communicate fire safety effectively. As a graduate, you can work as a fire investigator, fire prevention specialist, or in fire service education, helping keep communities safe.

Brooks Center



BUILDINGS

- 1 Regional Training Center
- 2 Classrooms
- 3 Logistics
- 4 Rescue Tower
- 5 Fire Station Auxiliary
- 6 Tactical Scenario
- 7 Burn Tower
- 8 Equipment
- 10 Diesel Technology

MAP KEY

- Campus Buildings
- Campus Entrance
- A Agency Parking
- E Building Entrance
- G Security Gate
- P Parking



Brooks Regional Training Center

Our amenities not only support the educational programs at Brooks but are also available for rent to agencies and organizations.

- Educational classrooms
- Indoor demonstration arena
- Driving course
- Burn tower
- Technical tower
- Confined space rescue maze
- Flashover training prop
- Rail tank car
- Car fire prop
- LPG props
- Ventilation roof prop
- Drafting pond
- Mobile home

Training & Drill Grounds

Hands-On Training in Realistic Environments

Specialized Training Areas

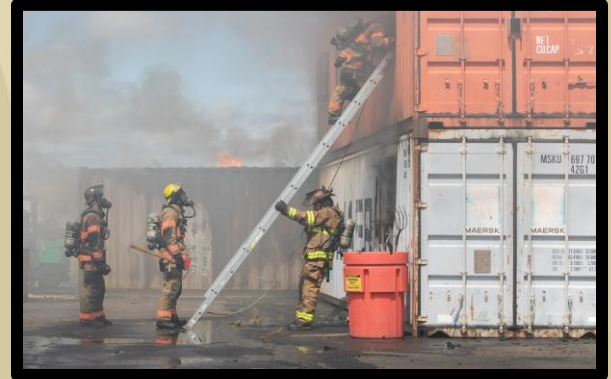
Burn buildings • Vehicle extrication zones • Mock crime scenes • Tactical and investigative training areas

Skills Students Practice

Fire suppression • Search and rescue • Advanced medical care • Arrest techniques • Crime scene processing

Real-World Preparation

Students apply classroom learning in realistic, controlled scenarios to build the physical, technical, and analytical skills needed for emergency services and law enforcement careers.



Burn Tower



Flashover Prop



Rail Car Prop



Car Fire Prop



Tactical Tower



The Arena / NTN CPAT and ORPAT

Three of the Chemeketa programs utilize the arena for physical fitness testing: Fire Suppression, CORE (Corrections) and LERE (Law Enforcement).

CPAT (Fire Suppression)

- Stair climb
- Hose drag
- Equipment carry
- Rescue drags
- Ceiling breach and pull
- Ladder raise and extension

ORPAT (Law Enforcement)

- Lifting and carrying
- Pushing and pulling
- Coordination and balance
- Endurance activities

**Now that you've explored the
programs and campus,
here are the next steps to
become a student at Chemeketa.**

Applying for Admission

1. Complete an Admissions Application at join.chemeketa.edu/register/apply

The process can take up to 10 business days to receive your admission email.

Note: Fire Program students – apply for summer term.

2. Set up your Chemeketa student account

3. Explore ways to pay for college

Financial Aid (FASFA), Grants, Loans, Oregon Promise, Scholarships, and Work Study.

Chemeketa also has resources for DACA and undocumented students.

4. Complete Placement Assessment Form....THIS IS NOT A TEST!

This process can take up to 10 business days to get your results.

5. New Student Orientation – In-person or Online

6. First Term Advising – Sign up through Navigate

7. Register for classes

8. Arrange for payment

Need help or have questions? Visit: www.chemeketa.edu/admission

When to Apply: Limited Enrollment Programs

Many programs at Brooks are limited enrollment and cohort-based, which means selected students go through the program together.

These programs have minimum admission requirements. Check the program information packet and website for complete requirements before applying.

Law Enforcement and Corrections – Open: January /// Close: August

Diesel Technology – Open: January /// Close: May

Paramedic Degree, EMS Degree and Bridge Certificate – Open: November /// Close: May

Fire Suppression – Summer term; selection process is completed through a non-credit class

Fire Prevention – Open: January /// Close: August

Open Enrollment Programs with Minimum Qualifications

Criminal Justice:

Criminal Background Check: Required upon entry

Drug Screening: Ten-panel urinalysis required upon entry

Screening Provider: College-approved vendor

EMT Course:

Application: Complete the EMT course application

Education: High school diploma or equivalent

Age: 18 before clinical experience and licensing

Placement: WR 080 or higher and MTH 052 or higher

Background Check: Required upon entry

Drug Screening: Required upon entry

Immunizations: Required immunizations and negative TB test

COVID-19: Vaccination or declination option currently available

Chemeketa Resources

Need help getting connected to
Chemeketa and community resources?

The Chemeketa Resources
Representative can help!

go.chemeketa.edu/resources

Financial Support • Hygiene • Food Pantry • Housing
Internet and Utilities • Child Care • Health and Safety
Mental and Emotional Health • Immigrant Resources
Community Engagement • Employment • Pet/Animal Care



Brooks Center-Contact Info

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Website: go.chemeketa.edu/brooks

Program Websites

Criminal Justice: go.chemeketa.edu/criminaljustice

Diesel Technology: go.chemeketa.edu/diesel

Emergency Medical Services: go.chemeketa.edu/ems

Fire Protection: go.chemeketa.edu/fire

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