Associate in Science

Fire Science Program – Fire Science Option

Students who wish to major in Fire Science must select either the Fire Science Option or Emergency Medical Services Option. Professional education courses are offered evenings only. **To graduate in the Fire Science program - Fire Science option**, a student must complete the following required course of study.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisites	Semester Offered	Semester Taken	Grade Earned
General	Education					
ENL101	English Composition I	3	Appropriate score on the Computerized Placement Test or grade of C or better in ENL050 or ESL201	Fall, Spring, Summer		
ENL102 (or) COM103	English Composition II (or) Human Communication	3	A grade of C or higher in ENL101 (or) ENL010 or ESL102 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score	Fall, Spring, Summer		
PSY101 (or) SOC106	General Psychology (or) Principles of Sociology***	3	ENLO20, ENLO50	Fall, Spring, Summer		
	Behavioral & Social Sciences***	3				
(or)	Survey of Chemistry (or) Chemistry for the Health Sciences I	4	MAT020 or satisfactory basic skills assessment scores (or) MAT030 or satisfactory basic skills assessment scores	Fall, Spring Fall, Spring, Summer		
	Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (or) Physical or Natural Science	3 (or) 4				
	General Education****	3				
Professi	ional Education					
FSC100	Introduction to Fire Protection	3	ENLO20 and ENLO50 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score	Fall, Spring		
FSC101	Fundamentals of Fire Prevention	3	FSC100	Varies		
FSC102	Fire Protection Systems and Equipment	3		Varies		
FSC103	Fire Fighting Tactics and Strategy	3	FSC100	Varies		
FSC104	Building Construction for the Fire Service	3	FSC100	Varies		
FSC105	Hazardous Materials	3	CHM106 or CHM101 or CHM109	Varies		
FSC107	Hydraulics for Fire Science	3	FSC100 and MAT030 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score	Varies		
FSC108	Fire Investigation and Evidence	3	FSC100	Varies		
FSC109	Fire Department Management and Planning	3	FSC114	Varies		
FSC110	Fire Codes and Ordinances	3		Varies		
FSC114	Fire Company Management	3	FSC100	Varies		
	Elective**	3				
	Fire Science elective*	3				
Total Credits:		61/62				

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Overview: This program offers the technical and educational requirements to assist in the development of knowledge required to succeed in the fire protection field. This program is centered around municipal fire protection. Aspects of fire protection in the private sector are also presented.

Career Outlook: Students who plan a career in firefighting or fire safety technology should select this program which is based on the premise that in-service personnel need to study technical improvement and that new recruits must be better qualified to enter fire and safety careers. The coursework in the Fire Science program may be helpful in succeeding in the entrance and promotional exams for the fire service. A sound foundation is provided for continuing into a four-year fire degree program.

Program Outcomes: Upon completion of the Fire Science program, students will be able to:

- Apply principles and current practices of fire protection techniques
- Use effective communication skills to build relationships with co-workers, supervisors, and members of the community
- Perform the role of a fire protection officer using established standards, guidelines, and regulations
- Observe, analyze, assess, and implement an effective operation plan in fire protection and emergency medical service situations
- Apply principles and practices of specialized technical operations teams
- Integrate leadership principles to perform roles of increasing responsibility within fire protection and emergency medical service organizations.

* Fire Science Electives:

EMS101 Emergency Medical Technician: EMT

EMS201 Advanced Pre-Hospital Training Program: Paramedic I EMS202 Advanced Pre-Hospital Training Program: Paramedic II

FSC120 Introduction to Incident Management

(or) courses that have been approved in advance by both the Fire Science Coordinator and the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

- **GIT110 Microcomputer Software Applications is recommended.
- ***General Education requirements corrected (PSY101 (or) SOC106 option, additional Behavioral & Social Sciences). 12/15/2010
- **** Revised to General Education (from Humanities and Fine Arts) 2/18/2011