# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

LAST REVIEW Spring 2021

**COURSE TITLE** Principles of Emergency Services

COURSE NUMBER FRSC 0116

**DIVISION** Health Professions

**DEPARTMENT** Fire Science

**CIP CODE** 43.0203

**CREDIT HOURS** 3

**CONTACT HOURS/WEEK** Class: 3

PREREQUISITES None

**COURSE PLACEMENT** Students must meet the correct placement measure for this

course. Information may be found at:

https://www.kckcc.edu/admissions/information/mandatory-

evaluation-placement.html

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course provides an overview to fire protection and emergency services; career opportunities in fire protection and related fields; culture and history of emergency services; fire loss analysis; organization and function of public and private fire protection services; fire departments as part of local government; laws and regulations affecting the fire service; fire service nomenclature; specific fire protection functions; basic fire chemistry and physics; introduction to fire protection systems; introduction to fire strategy and tactics; life safety initiatives.

### PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Demonstrate physical skills needed for employment as a firefighter.
- 2. Explain fire behavior.
- 3. Apply emergency management skills to provide basic emergency medicine in the field.
- 4. Evaluate strategy and tactics related to fire safety, survival techniques, and fire management.
- 5. Explain legal issues related to fire services administration.
- 6. Demonstrate employability skills necessary for completing the job search process.

#### **TEXTBOOKS**

http://kckccbookstore.com/

### METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

A variety of instructional methods may be used depending on content area. These include but are not limited to: lecture, multimedia, cooperative/collaborative learning, labs and demonstrations, projects and presentations, speeches, debates, panels, conferencing, performances, and learning experiences outside the classroom. Methodology will be selected to best meet student needs.

#### **COURSE OUTLINE**

- I. Careers in the Fire Protection/Emergency Services
  - A. Opportunities/Private, Industrial, Local, Municipal, State and Federal
  - B. Pay, Hours of Duty, Benefits, Promotion and Retirement Qualifications
  - C. Work Ethics and Human Relations Education and Training
    - i. Certificates
    - ii. Degrees
    - iii. Selection Process
- II. History
  - A. Evolution of the Fire Protection
  - B. The U.S. Fire Problem: Life and Property
- III. Fire Prevention and Public Fire Education
  - A. Fire Investigation
  - B. Code Enforcement
  - C. Public Education
- IV. Scientific Terminology
  - A. Fire Behavior
  - B. Flammability and Characteristics of Solids, Liquids and Gases
- V. Building Design and Construction
- VI. Fire Detection and Suppression Systems
- VII. The Role of Public and Private Support Organizations
  - A. Local
  - B. State
  - C. Federal and National
  - D. International
- VIII. Fire and Emergency Services Equipment and Facilities Management
  - A. Emergency Operations
  - B. Organizational Structure of Fire and Emergency Services

#### **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will:

- A. Illustrate and explain the history
- B. Evaluate the culture of the fire service.
- C. Analyze the basic components of fire as a chemical chain reaction, as well as the major phases of fire.
- D. Examine the main factors that influence fire spread and behavior.
- E. List and describe the major organizations that provide emergency response service, and illustrate how they interrelate.
- F. Explain the scope, purpose, and organizational structure of fire and emergency services.
- G. Differentiate between fire service training and education.
- H. Explain the value of higher education to the professionalization of the fire service.
- I. Define the role of national, State, and local support organizations in fire and emergency services.
- J. Describe the common types of fire and emergency services facilities, equipment, and apparatus.
- K. Compare and contrast effective management concepts for various emergency situations.
- L. Identify fire protection and emergency-services careers in both public and private sector.
- M. Explain the primary responsibilities of fire prevention personnel, including code enforcement, public information, and public and private protection systems.
- N. Develop the components of career preparation and goal setting.
- O. Demonstrate the importance of wellness and fitness as it relates to emergency services.

## ASSESSMENT OF COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Student progress is evaluated through both formative and summative assessment methods. Specific details may be found in the instructor's course information document.

# **COLLEGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Student Handbook

 $\underline{https://www.kckcc.edu/files/docs/student-resources/student-handbook-and-code-of-conduct.pdf}$ 

College Catalog

https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/catalog/index.html

College Policies and Statements

https://www.kckcc.edu/about/policies-statements/index.html

Accessibility and Accommodations

https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/resources/student-accessibility-support-services/index.html.