

# Fire Services Administration

## Division of Distance Education

The Fire Services Administration program is cooperatively offered by Western Oregon University and Eastern Oregon University through a consortium arrangement. Chemeketa Community College and Portland Community College are the two-year college consortium members. State standard guidance comes from a fifth member, the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST).

All course objectives and outcomes correspond to the requirements of DPSST.

By agreement, EOU accepts WOU's Degrees at a Distance Program fire service courses and WOU accepts EOU's Prior Learning credit as appropriate within the degree program.

Prior learning credits count toward residency at EOU, but Degrees at a Distance credits do not.

The BA/BS degree requirements provide for an upper-division major built upon an associate degree in fire protection science or a professional-technical core fire science curriculum available from most Oregon community colleges.

Professional upper-division courses in the program are offered on WOU's campus and in Portland at specific times, and some of them are offered by EOU via the Web. Please contact the Division of Distance Education at EOU for further information on course availability and delivery method.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BA OR BS IN FIRE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

1. All students, including those with an Associate Degree in Fire Science / Fire Protection, must complete the lower division fire technology core curriculum or equivalents:

- Introduction to Fire Protection** (3 credits)
- Major Emergency Tactics and Strategy** (3 credits)
- Fundamentals of Fire Prevention** (3 credits)
- Building Construction for Fire Suppression** (3 credits)
- Fire Department Leadership** (3 credits)
- Fire Protection Systems & Extinguishers** (3 credits)
- Fire Codes and Ordinances** (3 credits)
- Firefighters Law** (1-3 credits)

## Fire Department Budgets (1-3 credits) Public Relations (1-3 credits)

Admission to the upper-division professional core is limited to persons who have completed required lower division fire science coursework at the community college level. EOU's Fire Services Administration program strongly encourages substantial firefighting experience and Firefighter II designation.

The FSA program director determines all lower division course equivalencies. Waivers are almost never granted. EOU Prior Learning credit is determined by a faculty member from either Portland Community College or Chemeketa Community College.

### 2. Upper-division Professional Core "Institute" Courses (24 hrs)

a) Complete the following required courses with a grade of "C-" or better.

- FSA 307** Emergency Services Delivery (3)
- FSA 309** Inspection and Investigation (3)
- FSA 311** Principles of Fire Protection Management (3)
- FSA 313** Fire Personnel Management (3)
- FSA 315** Organization for Fire Protection (3)
- FSA 317** Fiscal Management in Fire Protection (3)
- FSA 319** Legal Aspects of Fire Protection (3)

b) Advanced Institute Capstone (3)  
(Choose one from one of seven 400+ level Advanced Institutes, which are available both on-site and on the Web)

### 3. Upper division elective coursework in Business, Social Science, and Communications (27 credits)

### 4. Complete institutional graduation requirements including:

a) Functional computer literacy must be met (word processing and either spreadsheets or database management).

b) For the BS degree, students must successfully complete (grade of "C-" or better) any mathematics course college level or above.

c) For the BA degree, the student must demonstrate foreign language proficiency.

d) Students must complete two writing-intensive courses. All FSA institutes are designated as writing-

intensive courses.

(Note: See additional institutional graduation requirements on page 27.)

5. Grade point average: Minimum of 2.00 GPA in the major and a minimum of 2.00 in all college work.

## **FIRE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

### **FSA 307 - Emergency Serv Deliv Fire EMS Credits: 3.00**

Explores multi-agency planning, deployment and operations as they relate to multi-alarm incidents, target hazards and major disasters.

Restrictions: May not be enrolled in one of the following Class(es): Freshman

### **FSA 309 - Fire Inspect And Investigation Credits: 3.00**

Offers a comprehensive look at prevention, inspection, investigation, and enforcement issues from a senior officer perspective.

Restrictions: May not be enrolled in one of the following Class(es): Freshman

### **FSA 311 - Fire Protect Mgt Credits: 3.00**

**(Writing Intensive)** An investigation of management and supervisory responsibilities including motivation, discipline, human relations, training, communications, followership, planning, leadership, management-employee relations.

### **FSA 313 - Personnel Mgmt Credits: 3.00**

**(Writing Intensive)** To develop a perspective on specific personnel functions including manpower planning and development, job description and analysis, employment recruitment, selection and placement, promotions, transfers, separations, wage and salary administration, labor-management negotiations and contracts.

### **FSA 315 - Organization Credits: 3.00**

**(Writing Intensive)** To develop an understanding of fire department organization including fire defenses and insurance ratings, organization for fire suppression and prevention, the fire department and the municipality, inter-municipality fire services.

### **FSA 317 - Fiscal Mgmt Credits: 3.00**

**(Writing Intensive)** The budget process, taxation and assessment, operations planning, financial aid and grant programs, allotment of resources, analysis of expenditures and productivity; management information systems.

### **FSA 319 - Legal Aspects Credits: 3.00**

**(Writing Intensive)** Federal and state laws, codes and ordinances, legal responsibilities of fire service agencies, liabilities, and civil law, enforcement procedures and police powers.

### **FSA 321 - Master Planning Credits: 3.00**

**(Writing Intensive)** Major emergency planning, defining problems and problem areas, involving other municipalities or district agencies, the planning process, implementation of plan objectives, review of programs.

### **FSA 407 - FSA 407 Credits: 1.00 to 15.00**

Restrictions: May not be enrolled in one of the following Class(es): Freshman, Sophomore

### **FSA 421 - Adv Fire Serv Mstr Plan Credits: 3.00**