



#### Social Sciences

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# Fire Science Technology

Department: Social Sciences

Degree: Associate of Applied Science

Entry time: Fall, Spring

Length: 2 years (4 semesters and 1 summer)

- The program gives students a broadbased perspective and knowledge in multiple facets of firefighting.
- Instructors are professionals who currently work in the fire suppression industry.
- The program is hands-on and utilizes a fire suppression drill tower, and practice pad, with instructors that are current area fire department professionals.
- Small class sizes allow instructors to focus on individual attention.
- Network with fellow students and instructors who have firsthand knowledge of the contemporary fire service, experiences, data and science.

## **Program Description**

The Kirkwood Fire Science Technology curriculum provides the skills sought by entry-level firefighters. Recent high school graduates or volunteers may use this program to improve their employment prospects within this profession. This program features some evening and online classes.

# **Career Opportunities**

Firefighter
Emergency medical technician

## Sample Classes

Emergency Medical Technician Firefighter Firefighting Tactics and Strategy Hazardous Materials Management Fire Service Company Officer **Building Construction** Fire Behavior and Combustion Fundamentals of Fire Prevention Firefighting Tactics & Strategy Fire Detection and Suppression Systems Chemistry of Hazardous Materials Hazardous Materials Management Instructional Techniques for Fire Service Training Fire Service Company Officer Fire and Emergency Services Safety and Survival

#### Industry endorsements earned:

Firefighter I, Firefighter II; EMT (State and National); National Career Readiness Certificate.

#### **Scholarships**

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