



Overview

Ever wonder what it's like to drench down a blazing inferno? Of course you have – every kid dreams of becoming a firefighter when they grow up. But for some, the feeling never goes away...

If that's you, Confederation College's IFSAC and PRO BOARD Accredited Pre-Service Firefighter Education and Training program will give you the knowledge and skills you need to pursue this demanding and rewarding career. The program provides well-rounded training for aspiring firefighters. You'll learn basic fire science, fire suppression principles and practices, emergency patient care, fire prevention/public education and specialty modules such as low rope rescue and environmental hazards. Your in-class learning will be reinforced with field placements to give you hands-on experience – invaluable as you compete for positions after graduation.



Top Highlights

- Program developed and endorsed by the office of the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (OAFC), and the Office of Ontario Fire Marshall (OFM) in cooperation with the Thunder Bay Fire & Rescue Services (THFRS)
- Successful students may challenge the OFMEM NFPA 1001 FF I & II, NFPA 472 Awareness and OPS Level written and practical exams which include IFSCA and PRO BOARD Certifications
- Includes testing in simulated and controlled live fire training scenarios



Learner Testimonial

Pre-Service Firefighter is a specialty program and it really opens your eyes up to what firefighters do besides simply extinguishing fires. They perform automobile extrications, focus on fire prevention, get involved in the community, teach kids in school about fire safety, and respond to hazardous spills and related situations. I'm confident that I will be fully prepared to move into my career.

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Pre-Service Firefighter Education and Training

Admission Requirements

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma (or equivalent) with courses from the College (C), University (U), University/College (U/C), or Open (O) preparation levels with Grade 12 English (C/U) Level.
- or successful completion of the Mature Student Assessment.
- or successful completion of the General Education Development Test (GED).
- or appropriate credits from the Academic and Career Entrance program (ACE).

Alternative Pathways

If you do not meet these admission requirements, we encourage you to consider the College Access or General Arts and Science Certificate or General Arts and Science Diploma programs, or Academic and Career Entrance program (ACE); if you successfully complete one of these programs, you will be eligible to apply to programs in the Community Services and Protective Services areas.

Employment Opportunities

Graduates of this program go on to careers in professional firefighting, fire prevention and public education, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, private fire service and fire inspection. It is also good training for those considering a position as a volunteer firefighter.

Please note that each hiring municipality or fire department has its own rigorous entrance standards including physical and other tests. It is highly recommended that you are familiar with the specific hiring and application requirements of the particular agency.

First Semester

FI 108	Introduction to Fire Service
FI 109	Incident Management System
GE	General Elective
CS 007	Persuasive Writing
FI 110	Intro to Firefighting & Apparatus
FI 113	Fire Ground Operations
FI 208	Physical Fitness & Health
FI 114	Red Cross EMR

Second Semester

GE	General Elective
FI 111	Salvage and Scene Assessment
FI 112	Fire Suppression
FI 210	Vehicle Extrication & Electrical Hazards
FI 211	Environmental Protection & Rescue Operations
FI 212	Rescue Operations
FI 213	Community and Fire Prevention

Third Semester

FI 300	Pre-Graduate Experience I
FI 301	Pre-Graduate Experience II

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