

Professional Development Group

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR 1041-I

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1041-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$250.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to create a versatile Fire Service Instructor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1041-I, Standard for the Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Professional Qualifications. It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to deliver instruction from prepared instructional materials under the supervision of an instructor II or higher. This includes responsibilities related to generating instructional materials, delivering various types of lectures utilizing audio/visual equipment, and administering cognitive and psychomotor examinations.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**
Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR 1041-II

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1041-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$250.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to develop a competent Fire Service Instructor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1041-II Standard for Fire and Emergency Service Instructor Professional Qualifications. This course is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to develop individual lesson plans for a specific topic, including learning objectives, instructional aids, and evaluation instruments. In addition, you will learn to schedule training sessions and supervise/coordinate the activities of other instructors.

Prerequisite: Fire Instructor I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**
Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTOR 1041-III

INSTRUCTOR CHIEF DONNY COLLINS

Professional Development Group

Meets NFPA 1041-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 24
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$250.00

Date of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to develop a confident Fire Service Instructor and satisfy the requirements of NFPA 1041-III Standard for Fire and Emergency Service Instructor Professional Qualifications. This course is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to develop comprehensive training curricula and programs.

Prerequisite: Fire Instructor I, and Fire Instructor II

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.** Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR 1041-I- ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1041-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$175.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026 Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to create a versatile Fire Service Instructor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1041-I, Standard for the Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Professional Qualifications. It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to deliver instruction from prepared instructional materials under the supervision of an instructor II or higher. This includes responsibilities related to generating instructional materials, delivering various types of lectures utilizing audio/visual equipment, and administering cognitive and psychomotor examinations.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Principles and Practice, 3rd Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR 1041-II- ONLINE

INSTRUCTOR CHIEF DONNY COLLINS

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Meets or exceeds NFPA 1041-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Course Fee: \$175.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026

Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to develop a competent Fire Service Instructor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1041-II Standard for Fire and Emergency Service Instructor Professional Qualifications. This course is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to develop individual lesson plans for a specific topic, including learning objectives, instructional aids, and evaluation instruments. In addition, you will learn to schedule training sessions and supervise/coordinate the activities of other instructors.

Prerequisite: Fire Instructor I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Principles and Practice, 3rd Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR 1041-I- FIELD DELIVERY

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1041-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Course Fee: \$2000.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Upon Request

Course Description: This course is designed to create a versatile Fire Service Instructor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1041-I, Standard for the Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Professional Qualifications. It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to deliver instruction from prepared instructional materials under the supervision of an instructor II or higher. This includes responsibilities related to generating instructional materials, delivering various types of lectures utilizing audio/visual equipment, and administering cognitive and psychomotor examinations.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Principles and Practice, 3rd Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

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FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR 1041-II- FIELD DELIVERY

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Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Course Fee: \$2000.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Upon Request

Course Description: This course is designed to develop a competent Fire Service Instructor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1041-II Standard for Fire and Emergency Service Instructor Professional Qualifications. This course is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to develop individual lesson plans for a specific topic, including learning objectives, instructional aids, and evaluation instruments. In addition, you will learn to schedule training sessions and supervise/coordinate the activities of other instructors.

Prerequisite: Fire Instructor I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Principles and Practice, 3rd Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

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FIRE OFFICER 1021-I

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021- This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 35
Course Fee: \$250.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed for the first-line company officer/supervisor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1021 Standard for the Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, Chapter four "Fire Officer I". It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to supervise a single fire company. This includes responsibilities such as understanding leadership, leading a team, risk management, and command of initial emergency operations.

Prerequisites: Fire Fighter I- II and Fire Instructor I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**
Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

FIRE OFFICER 1021-II

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021- This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 15
Course Fee: \$250.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to meet the needs of the mid-level officer/supervisor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1021 Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, Chapter Five "Fire Officer II". It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to manage multiple fire companies. This includes responsibilities such as supervising multiple companies, personnel development, and organizational communications.

Prerequisites: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**
Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

INSTRUCTOR CHIEF DONNY COLLINS

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FIRE OFFICER 1021-I-ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021- This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Course Fee: \$175.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026
Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed for the first-line company officer/supervisor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1021 Standard for the Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, Chapter four "Fire Officer I". It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to supervise a single fire company. This includes responsibilities such as understanding leadership, leading a team, risk management, and command of initial emergency operations.

Prerequisites: Fire Fighter I- II and Fire Instructor I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire Officer Principles & Practices, (4th) Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

FIRE OFFICER 1021-II-ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021- This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Course Fee: \$175

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Spring Session: 2026 Fall Session: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to meet the needs of the mid-level officer/supervisor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1021 Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, Chapter Five "Fire Officer II". It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to manage multiple fire companies. This includes responsibilities such as supervising multiple companies, personnel development, and organizational communications.

Prerequisites: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I, and Fire Officer I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire Officer Principles & Practices, (4th) Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

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FIRE OFFICER 1021-I-FIELD DELIVERY

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021- This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 35

Course Fee: \$2000.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Upon Request

Course Description: This course is designed for the first-line company officer/supervisor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1021 Standard for the Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, Chapter four "Fire Officer I". It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to supervise a single fire company. This includes responsibilities such as understanding leadership, leading a team, risk management, and command of initial emergency operations.

Prerequisites: Fire Fighter I- II and Fire Instructor I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire Officer Principles & Practices, (4th) Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

FIRE OFFICER 1021-II-FIELD DELIVERY

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021- This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 40

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Course Fee: \$2000.00

This course qualifies for funding through the Workforce Development program.

Dates of Delivery: Upon Request

Course Description: This course is designed to meet the needs of the mid-level officer/supervisor and satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1021 Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, Chapter Five "Fire Officer II". It is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to manage multiple fire companies. This includes responsibilities such as supervising multiple companies, personnel development, and organizational communications.

Prerequisites: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire Officer Principles & Practices Fourth, (4th) Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

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FIREGROUND LEADERSHIP

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$250.00

Date of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to address the management needs of first-in-engine company officers or officials who are responsible for emergency response actions, including the direct supervision of other fire personnel, before the arrival of higher-ranking departmental officials. The main focus of the course is to advance the ability of the initial officer in charge of the scene of a fire situation to safely manage the response actions of assigned personnel. The course curriculum includes preparation for response, decision-making, and tactical operations.

Prerequisite: Firefighter 1001-I-II, Driver Operator, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: None

Other: Students must bring NFPA-approved structural firefighting protective clothing. This includes a helmet, coat, pants, boots, hood, and gloves. Students can bring their department-issued SCBA, or a campus SCBA will be provided.

FIRE MANAGEMENT 101

Course Hours: 40
Maximum Enrollment: 24
Course Fee: \$250.00

Date of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to assist the fire service leaders in addressing information not normally found in other Academy courses. The course focuses on the individual fire officer and varied management and supervisory issues. Information presented will assist the fire officer in making informed decisions required for personnel supervision and organizational change. Specifically, participants will be introduced to subjects such as: the legal aspects of providing fire protection, purchasing laws and regulations, equipment management issues, auditing issues, organizational relationship to the Mississippi Rating Bureau, sexual harassment, and conflict resolution.

Prerequisite: Firefighter 1001-I-II, Driver Operator, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: None

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.** Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

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FIRE INSPECTOR 1030

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 80
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$500.00

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to develop a competent Fire Inspector and satisfy the requirements of NFPA 1030 Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector. This course is designed around classroom lectures and individual skills to improve your abilities to conduct fire inspections. This includes responsibilities such as gaining knowledge of fire-related codes/standards, the importance of code enforcement, determining requirements for permits, procedures to conduct fire inspections, calculating occupancy loads, and documenting /reporting of inspection findings.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing.
Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**
Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

FIRST RESPONDER INSPECTOR (COMING SOON)

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD.

Course Hours: 40
Course Fee: \$250.00
Maximum Enrollment: 25

Date of Delivery: 2026

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing.
Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**
Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

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Mississippi Executive Fire Officer Program / Fire Officer 1021-III-IV

This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1021 for Fire Officer Level III and IV

Course Hours: 200 hours
Maximum Enrollment: 15 per cycle
Course Fee: \$1000.00

Course Description: This comprehensive course is designed to provide senior officers and others in key leadership roles with an understanding of advanced fire service management and administrative skills as well as the ability to conduct research, analyze data, and develop solutions to complex issues. Candidates will enhance their professional development through completion of the NFPA 1021 Fire Officer III and IV certification course. The Mississippi Executive Fire Officer program spans one year and includes four sessions conducted at the Academy. All candidates must complete an Applied Research Project (ARP) that relates to their organization before attending the last session of the course. Completion of the ARP is a prerequisite for participating in the last course session and a requirement for graduation. Graduates will receive state credentials and recognition as an Executive Fire Officer, along with certifications for Fire Officer Level III and IV.

Prerequisite: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I-II, Fire Officer I-II

Audience: Chiefs of Departments or equivalent positions of management in the fire service (Senior Fire Instructors, County Fire Coordinators, Officers who manage shifts, programs, or divisions, etc.)

Testing: Testing will involve the evaluation of various projects completed both on and off-campus. These assignments will be graded on the candidate's understanding of the problem, ability to research and apply information, ability to develop viable solutions, and ability to present findings professionally. Testing will also consist of written examinations conducted during the delivery of the course.

Other: Students are asked to wear fire department uniforms while attending upper-level classes. **No casual attire.**

This program is writing and time sensitive. Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. As stated in the NFPA standard, students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing. Students will be required to write a college paper while attending this class. ALL APPLICATION DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY FEBRUARY 1, 2026, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE MEFO CLASS. Contact the Professional Development Group for the Mississippi Executive Fire Officer Application Process & Form.

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INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER 1521

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1521-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 48
Maximum Enrollment: 15
Course Fee: \$250.00

Dates of Delivery: TBD

Course Description: This course is designed to prepare the student to perform the duties and responsibilities of an Incident Safety Officer at a variety of emergencies. This textbook provides valuable information pertaining to several topics, including reading: buildings, smoke, risk, hazardous energy, and firefighters. In addition, it provides specific information to be utilized by the ISO at structure fires, wildland and ground cover fires, hazardous materials incidents, and technical rescue incidents.

Prerequisite: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.** Participants with access to laptop computers are strongly encouraged to bring them to class.

INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER 1521- ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1521-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 48
Maximum Enrollment: 15
Course Fee: \$175.00

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to prepare the student to perform the duties and responsibilities of an Incident Safety Officer at a variety of emergencies. This textbook provides valuable information pertaining to several topics, including reading: buildings, smoke, risk, hazardous energy, and firefighters. In addition, it provides specific information to be utilized by the ISO at structure fires, wildland and ground cover fires, hazardous materials incidents, and technical rescue incidents.

Prerequisite: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

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Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire Department Incident Safety Officer, Principles & Practices Revised Third Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER 1521- FIELD DELIVERY

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1521-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD

Course Hours: 48
Maximum Enrollment: 15
Course Fee: \$2000.00

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course is designed to prepare the student to perform the duties and responsibilities of an Incident Safety Officer at a variety of emergencies. This textbook provides valuable information pertaining to several topics, including reading: buildings, smoke, risk, hazardous energy, and firefighters. In addition, it provides specific information to be utilized by the ISO at structure fires, wildland and ground cover fires, hazardous materials incidents, and technical rescue incidents.

Prerequisite: Firefighter I-II, Fire Instructor I, Fire Officer I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Does Not Include Manual: Jones & Bartlett, Fire Department Incident Safety Officer, Principles & Practices Revised Third Edition. Must be purchased before the first day of class (Books not available for purchase at MSFA).

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR I

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD.

Course Hours: 20
Course Fee: \$250.00
Maximum Enrollment: 20

Date of Delivery: TBD

Course Description: The Fire and Life Safety Educator level one course addresses those who have the responsibility to deliver fire and life safety programs to meet their community's needs. This course includes the basic requirements, duties, and responsibilities of a Fire and Life Safety Educator for all fields of education.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

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Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing. Students are encouraged to bring a laptop.
Jones and Bartlett, Fire and Life Safety Educator, Principles and Practice, Revised 2nd Edition

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR I- ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD.

Course Hours: 20
Course Fee: \$175.00
Maximum Enrollment: 20

Date of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026 Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: The Fire and Life Safety Educator level one course addresses those who have the responsibility to deliver fire and life safety programs to meet their community's needs. This course includes the basic requirements, duties, and responsibilities of a Fire and Life Safety Educator for all fields of education.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing.
Jones and Bartlett, Fire and Life Safety Educator, Principles and Practice, Revised 2nd Edition

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR II-ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD.

Course Hours: 20
Course Fee: \$175.00
Maximum Enrollment: 20

Date of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026 Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: The Fire and Life Safety Educator Level II course addresses those who have the responsibility to prepare educational programs and information to meet identified needs.

Prerequisite: Fire and Life Safety Educator I

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing.
Jones and Bartlett, Fire and Life Safety Educator, Principles and Practice, Revised 2nd Edition

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FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGER-ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD.

Course Hours: 20
Course Fee: \$175.00
Maximum Enrollment: 20

Date of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026
Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: The Fire and Life Safety Program Manager course shall be for those who have the responsibility to create, administrate, and evaluate educational programs and information.

Prerequisite: Fire and Life Safety Educator I-II

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing.
Jones and Bartlett, Fire and Life Safety Educator, Principles and Practice, 2nd Edition

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER- ONLINE

Meets or exceeds NFPA 1030-This Course Is Accredited by IFSAC and PROBOARD.

Course Hours: 40
Course Fee: \$175.00
Maximum Enrollment: 20

Date of Delivery: Spring Semester: 2026 Fall Semester: 2026

Course Description: This course has been developed to address the duties of the department's Public Information Officer. This course introduces the PIO to the roles he/she works within the NIMS, writing press releases and information statements, media relations, news interviews, dealing with the media on emergency scenes, and the Joint Information System.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

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Other: Basic writing skills are necessary to complete this course. Students must be able to analyze data and communicate both orally and in writing.
Jones and Bartlett, Fire and Life Safety Educator, Principles and Practice, 2nd Edition

FIRE SERVICE CHAPLAIN

Course Hours: 16
Maximum Enrollment: 25
Course Fee: \$250.00

Date of Delivery: TBD

Course Description: This course is designed for any emergency response personnel who have a desire to be available for those in need while going through difficulties. The goal of this course is to gain a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the Fire Service Chaplain. This course does not provide any certification in any capacity.

Prerequisite: None
Testing: None

Other: Participants are encouraged to wear fire department uniforms while attending. **No casual attire.**

DEVELOPING FIREFIGHTER PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAMS

Course Hours: 24
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: \$250.00

Date of Delivery: TBD

Course Description: This program will offer a firefighter, training officer, or chief the opportunity to attend a 24-hour course that will reference NFPA standards regarding annual physicals and medical assessments. This program will also discuss the nutritional intake for firefighters, daily workout schedules, weightlifting techniques and stretches, and body fat measurement. The program will be delivered by instructional staff members who are fitness trainers

Prerequisite: None
Testing: None

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FIRE INVESTIGATOR

Course Hours: 80
Maximum Enrollment: 25
Course Fee: \$500.00

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: This course satisfies the requirements of NFPA 1033 Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator. Areas covered include: the chemistry of fire, fire dynamics, analysis of fire patterns, determining the cause/origin of fires, firefighting operations, fire investigation, fire scene investigation, safety, recognizing hazardous materials, fire scene explosion investigation, legal consideration of fire investigation, interviewing/interrogating, and preparing the arson case for courtroom presentation.

Prerequisite: None
Testing: Testing will consist of written and skills evaluations.

Other: Students should bring clothing suitable for working fire scenes, which includes hard hats, boots, gloves, etc.

MISSISSIPPI COUNTY FIRE INVESTIGATOR

Course Hours: 32
Maximum Enrollment: 25
Course Fee: \$250.00

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: Mississippi Code 83-1-39 (Laws of 1993) designates one (1) member of each county Sheriff's Department to be the County Fire Investigator. The code requires the designated member to attend training delivered by the State Fire Academy and approved by the State Fire Marshal's Office in fire/arson investigation. This course will give the newly appointed investigators a basis of knowledge required to do their job as a fire investigator. Subject matter includes: fire behavior, building construction, origin and cause, indicators of incendiaries, accidental causes, explosives, vehicle fires, and some hands-on skills. This course references NFPA 1033.

Prerequisite: None
Testing: None

Other: \$100 for one (1) appointed county fire investigator per county, with a letter from the Sheriff. Must be attached to the application stating the name of the applicant appointed as the county investigator for this fee to apply. Otherwise, the original course fee will be assessed.

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MISSISSIPPI COUNTY FIRE INVESTIGATOR: ANNUAL IN-SERVICE

Course Hours: 8
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Course Fee: No Fee

Dates of Delivery: 2026

Course Description: Each county investigator will be required to attend one in-service per year. The date to attend will be your choice. No Academy application is needed to attend this course unless requesting the dorm. The investigator needs to have attended the County Fire Investigator course or had some other training in fire investigation before attending the in-service.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: None

Other: Each county investigator will be required to attend one in-service per year. The date to attend will be your choice. No Academy application is needed to attend this course unless requesting the dorm. The investigator needs to have attended the County Fire Investigator course or had some other training in fire investigation before attending the in-service.

If on campus, students may request a dorm at \$17 per night and/or meals at \$12 per day.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Course Hours: 2
Maximum Enrollment: 50
Course Fee: No Fee

Date of Delivery: Upon Request

Course Description: This course is designed to provide emergency responders with the knowledge to understand what human trafficking is, where it happens, and how it happens: recognize the signs of labor and sex trafficking; understand what to do to stay safe; understand reporting responsibilities and how to report suspected human trafficking to the proper authorities.

Prerequisite: None

Testing: None

Other:

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NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY PROGRAMS

Through its courses and programs, the National Fire Academy (NFA) works to enhance the ability of fire and emergency services and allied professionals to deal effectively with fire and related emergencies. The Academy's delivery system is diverse. Courses are delivered throughout the state with local fire training organizations and local colleges and universities.

TO REGISTER FOR NFA COURSE DELIVERED IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

No course fee; however, you must pre-register through the MSFA/NFA coordinator or local host contact to ensure reserved seating.

Classes are subject to cancellation or rescheduling by the NFA.

Minimum and maximum enrollment policies may be enforced by the NFA.

Meals will not be served during weekend classes.

NOTE: Students attending National Fire Academy courses must have completed IS-100 and IS-200 levels of training.

All locations and dates may be subject to change. Registered students will be notified of changes.

INSTRUCTOR CHIEF DONNY COLLINS