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Why fire protection?

It only takes one fire tragedy to remind us how important it is to have experienced and educated fire service personnel.

Careers in the emergency services can be exciting for anyone who enjoys the outdoors. Fire fighting is a high-risk profession that demands strong physical conditioning as well as a good education. Insurance, arson, and fire prevention inspectors work indoors as well as outdoors. If you feel you would enjoy saving lives and property from fire, you should enjoy this career.

Admission guidelines

Students may enter this program in the spring, summer, or fall semester; however, some courses may be offered during a specified semester only.

Students intending to continue at the university level, should take MAT 161.

Admission requirements

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Complete admissions form for CPCC
- Placement test for general education
- Meet with Fire Protection Technology advisor



Fire Protection Technology

The National Fire Protection Association reports in 2005

- The United States has one of the highest fire death rates in the industrialized world. Nearly 2 to 2.5 times that of several European nations.
- There were 388,500 reported home fires in the United States.
- 3,195 deaths, 13,650 injuries, and \$5.9 billion of property damage can be contributed to fires.
- The annual losses from floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, and other natural disasters combined are only a fraction of the loss from fire alone.
- Fire departments in the United States respond to nearly two million fires a year.
- In the United States, there was a civilian home fire death every three hours.
- Smoking is the leading cause of fire deaths, followed by arson. Arson is the leading cause of dollars lost.
- Vehicle fires account for 20% of all fire department responses.