



Wayne County Community College District

COURSE SYLLABUS

FPT 225 - Principles of Fire and Emergency Services Safety and Survival

CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course introduces the basic principles and history related to the national firefighter life safety initiatives, focusing on the need for cultural and behavior change throughout the emergency services.

PREREQUISITES: NONE

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:

Upon completion of this course, the student will:

1. Define and describe the need for cultural and behavioral change within the emergency services relating to safety, incorporating leadership, supervision, accountability and personal responsibility.
2. Explain the need for enhancement of personal and organizational accountability for health and safety.
3. Define how the concepts of risk management affect strategies and tactical decision-making.
4. Describe and evaluate circumstances that might constitute an unsafe act.
5. Explain the concept of empowering all emergency services personnel to stop unsafe acts.
6. Validate the need for national training standards as they correlate to professional development inclusive of qualifications, certifications, and re-certifications.
7. Defend the need for annual medical evaluations and the establishment of physical fitness criteria for emergency services personnel throughout their careers.
8. Explain the vital role of local departments in national research and data collection systems.
9. Illustrate how technological advancements can produce higher levels of emergency services safety and survival.
10. Explain the importance of investigating all near-misses, injuries, and fatalities.

ASSESSMENT METHODS:

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:

90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E