

Fire Service Administration (FSA)

The Fire Service Administration degree is designed for those individuals seeking advancement within the fire service and/or a greater knowledge base and understanding of administrative duties within the fire service. This program focuses on the principles, theory, and practices associated with the management of fire operations, firefighting services and community fire issues. This program includes instruction in fire protection history and theory, incident command leadership, administration of public fire organizations, labor relations, emergency medical services management, fire emergency response strategies and mitigation, legal and regulatory responsibilities, budgeting, public relations and organizational leadership.

One of the main purposes of the FSA degree is to provide an opportunity for individuals to better prepare for roles as company officers and fire service administrators. It is possible to complete this degree entirely online, thus allowing firefighters to accomplish their educational goals while still being able to work their shifts at the fire stations.

Fire Service Administration Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Fire Service Administration Associate of Science degree, students should be able to do the following:

- Describe management concepts utilized in the fire service
- Define leadership styles
- Develop lesson plans for fire service training
- Demonstrate knowledge and use of the Incident Management System
- Explain laws and liabilities that impact fire and emergency services
- Demonstrate effective communication skills in creating fire service records and reports
- Identify the major activities of emergency management

The goals above support Ozarks Technical Community College's institutional learning outcomes of:

Communication

Critical Reasoning

Employability

Information Literacy

Professionalism

Cultural and Global Awareness