

Course Syllabus

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Department : Emergency Services
Course Title : Firefighter Health and Safety
Section Name : FIRT 2380
Start Date : 01/17/2012
End Date : 05/10/2012
Modality : ON-LINE
Credits :3

Instructor Information

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Course Description

Career-related activities encountered in the student's area of specialization offered through an individualized agreement among the college, employer, and the student. Under the supervision of the college and the employer, the student combines classroom learning with work experience. Includes a lecture component.

Prerequisites/Co requisites

None

[Scans](#)

(SCANS 1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11)

Course Objectives

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1. Students will apply the theory, concepts, and skills involving specialized materials, tools, equipment, procedures, regulations, laws, and interactions within and among political, economic, environmental, social, and legal systems associated with the occupation and the business/industry.
 2. Students will demonstrate legal and ethical behavior, safety practices, interpersonal and teamwork skills, and appropriate written and verbal communication skills using the technology of the occupation and the business/industry.
 3. This capstone class is designed to have the student consult with their supervisor (if employed in the fire service), or with a fire service mentor, to choose a topic to research. The college instructor will guide the student in acceptable research procedures. The course is intended to give the student the opportunity to do an in-depth study of a fire service related topic. The Co-op class also aims to enhance the research skills of the student, as well as computer skills.
 4. The student will also provide a 10 minute presentation on their topic, the timely submission of the rough draft, and the research paper. Each student will be required to turn in one hard copy of their paper, accompanied by a disc containing the entire research paper.

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Required Readings/Materials

Title: The Basics of APA Style is available online:
<http://www.apastyle.org/learn/tutorials/basics-tutorial.aspx>

Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments)

Topic/Overview: See summary listed below.

Summary of Assignments & Activities

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Week 1-Orientation, application, and instruction

Submit responses before the January 22, 2012 deadline

Week 2 –Selection of project, return of ARP proposal

Submit responses before the January 29, 2012 deadline

Week 3-Establishing objectives

Submit responses before the February 5, 2012 deadline

Week 4-Determine research method

Submit responses before the February 12, 2012 deadline

Week 5-Begin research

Submit responses before the February 19, 2012 deadline

Week 6-Continue research

Submit responses before the February 26, 2012 deadline

Week 7-Assemble data/research material

Submit responses before the March 4, 2012 deadline

Week 8-Rough draft started

Submit responses before the March 11, 2012 deadline

Spring Break (March 12-17)

Week 9-Rough draft submitted for review

Submit responses before the March 25, 2012 deadline

Week 10-Assigned research project development

Submit responses before the April 1, 2012 deadline

Week 11-Continue assigned research project development

Submit responses before the April 8, 2012 deadline

Week 12- Continue assigned research project development

Submit responses before the April 15, 2012 deadline

Week 13- Continue assigned research project development

Submit responses before the April 22, 2012 deadline

Week 14- Ready for final review

Submit responses before the April 29, 2012 deadline

Week 15-Corrections to final review

Submit responses before the May 6, 2012 deadline

Week 16-Final Exam Presentation

Your Final Exam presentation will be coordinated between Monday, May 7, 2012 and Wednesday, May 9, 2012.

I will post the grade on Monday, May 14, 2012.

Grading Policy

Research	60%
Rough Draft	20%
Final Exam presentation	20%
Total	100%

Letter grades for this course.

Letter Grade	Percentage	Grade Point
A	90-100%	4.0
B	80-89%	3.0
C	70-79%	2.0
D	60-69%	1.0
F	Below 60%	0.0

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Learning Resource Center (Library)

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Technical Support

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