



## Program Map Firefighter Certificate

Certificate: Firefighter Level 1 (C1)



### PUBLIC & SOCIAL SERVICES

**Program Description:** The program is designed to give the student instruction in the areas of firefighting that are required to be certified in fire suppression. Instruction includes but is not limited to the following: Rules & regulations, forcible entry, ladder practices, fire streams, ventilation, rescue practices, inspection, automatic sprinklers, aircraft rescue and fire protection, self-contained breathing apparatus, and simulated emergency. The student works in a professionally staffed atmosphere with modern equipment.

The firefighter certification program is offered in the spring and fall semesters and requires a separate application through the fire training academy. For information about the application process, go to [www.austincc.edu/fireprot](http://www.austincc.edu/fireprot). All eight courses must be taken concurrently and require department approval before registration. Students are only required to pass the reading and writing portions of the COMPASS placement test for acceptance into the academy.

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#### Department Website

[www.austincc.edu/fireprot](http://www.austincc.edu/fireprot)

*Use this Program Map to choose courses with your college advisor and track your progress towards milestones and completion of program.*

Pre-Degree Requirements		
Program Specific	Reading and Writing Placement <i>Placements based on TSI</i>	Mathematics Placement <i>Placements based on TSI</i>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Basic Developmental Courses <input type="checkbox"/> ESOL Courses <input type="checkbox"/> INRW Courses	<input type="checkbox"/> MATD-0332 - Basic Math Skills <input type="checkbox"/> MATD-042x/032x – ALEKS Sequence <input type="checkbox"/> MATD-0385/0485 – Developing Mathematical Thinking <i>Not prerequisite for MATH-1314/1324</i> <input type="checkbox"/> MATD-0370 – Elementary Algebra <input type="checkbox"/> MATD-0390 – Intermediate Algebra <i>Take MATD-0370 and 0390 to prepare for MATH-1314/1324</i>
<b>SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER PROGRAM PLAN FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS</b> <i>Plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding more semesters</i>		

C1	C2	D	Semester 1	CR	Advising Notes
•			FIRS 1401 - Firefighter Certification I	4	
•			FIRS 1407 - Firefighter Certification II	4	
•			FIRS 1313 - Firefighter Certification III	3	
•			FIRS 1319 - Firefighter Certification IV	3	
•			FIRS 1423 - Firefighter Certification V	4	
•			FIRS 1429 - Firefighter Certification VI	4	
•			FIRS 1433 - Firefighter Certification VII	4	
•			KINE 1145 - Weight Training I	1	<b>ACHIEVEMENT:</b> Completion of Certificate
				27	Program Semester Hours / Meet with your advisor
<b>Total Program Hours</b>					<b>27</b>

### Career & Transfer Resources

ACC's Career & Transfer websites provide detailed, guided information on career exploration and transfer.

[www.austincc.edu/career](http://www.austincc.edu/career)

[www.austincc.edu/transfer](http://www.austincc.edu/transfer)

For further information regarding this specific program, please see the Career & Transfer Resources supplement provided in the next section of this Program Map.

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## Career Information

This course teaches the skills necessary to prepare the student for entry-level employment in the fire protection industry. Students who graduate can be certified Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) Basic Firefighters.

### Common Job Titles

Municipal Firefighters, Fire Inspectors and Investigators, Forest Firefighters, Fire Inspectors

### Regional Labor Market Information

Municipal Firefighters: New workers generally start around \$32,405. Normal pay for Municipal Firefighters is \$55,862 per year, while highly experienced workers can earn as much as \$82,894. Over the last year, 7 companies have posted 19 jobs for Municipal Firefighters in this region. There are currently 1,995 Municipal Firefighters that are employed in Austin-Round Rock, TX.

Source: <https://austincc.emsicc.com/careers/municipal-firefighter>

**Career and labor market research tools** (see Quick Reference Guide at <http://www.austincc.edu/career>):

EMSI: <https://austincc.emsicc.com/>, Bureau of Labor Statistics: <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>, O\*NET: <https://www.onetonline.org/>

**Career Resources:** ACC's career services website provides information on career exploration and employment at <http://www.austincc.edu/career>. Students are encouraged to consult with their area of study advisor for additional career assistance. The above information is provided as a guide and reference tool for occupations related to this program. This is not a guarantee of job placement in any of these occupations after successful completion of an ACC program. The common job titles listed are representative titles and are provided for career research. These are not the only occupations possible in this area of study.

## Transfer Information

The Level 1 Firefighter Certificate prepares students to directly enter the workforce in fire service. Twelve hours in this program can transfer into ACC's Associate of Applied Science in Fire Protection Technology.

The Fire Protection Technology AAS is aimed at students who do not plan to work toward a 4- year degree; however, a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) is an excellent alternative to a BA or BS degree. These degrees apply non-transferable courses and work experience towards the degree. You still must meet general education requirements and take upper level courses.

**Transfer Guides:** *The universities listed here do not constitute an ACC endorsement. Transfer course evaluations and determination of what courses will count toward a bachelor's degree are made by the receiving transfer institution.*

**West Texas A&M University** Bachelor of Applied Arts & Science – Emergency Management Program:

[www.wtamu.edu/academics/emergency-management-administration-program.aspx](http://www.wtamu.edu/academics/emergency-management-administration-program.aspx)

**Bachelor of Applied Arts & Science** Fire & Emergency Services Administration:

<http://www.tamusa.tamus.edu/business/undergraduate-programs1/BAAS-FireandEmergencySvcAdmin.html>

**Western Illinois University** Fire Protection Service Program: <http://www.wiu.edu/coehs/leja/fire/>

**Texas State University** Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences:

<http://www.owls.txstate.edu/undergraduate-degrees/applied-arts-sciences.html>

**Additional Transfer Resources:** ACC's transfer website provides information on additional colleges & universities:

<http://www.austincc.edu/transferguides>. Students are encouraged to consult with a faculty advisor, area of study advisor, and/or their chosen transfer institution to ensure courses taken at ACC will apply toward their bachelor's degree program.