FIRE PROTECTION TECHNOLOGY (2230)

2230:100 Introduction to Fire Protection (4 Credits)
History and philosophy of fire protection; introduction to agencies involved; current legislative developments; discussion of current related problems, expanding future of fire protection and career orientation.

2230:102 Fire Safety in Building Design & Construction (3 Credits)
Exploration of building construction and design with emphasis on fire protection concerns; review of related statutory and suggested guidelines local, state and national scope.

2230:104 Fire Investigation Methods (4 Credits)
History of fire investigation; gathering of evidence and development of technical reports; fundamentals of arson investigation; processing of criminal evidence and procedures related to local and state statutes.

2230:202 Incident Management for Emergency Responders (4 Credits)
Efficient and effective use of human resources, equipment and systems. Emphasis on preplanning, incident management, problem solving related to emergency preparation and response.

2230:204 Fire and Life Safety Education (3 Credits)
Application and analysis necessary for the implementation of the Life Safety Code Handbook.

2230:205 Fire Detection & Suppression Systems (3 Credits)
Design, installation, maintenance and utilization of portable fire extinguishing appliances and pre-engineered automatic systems; fire detection and alarm signaling systems operational capabilities, requirements.

2230:206 Fire Sprinkler System Design (3 Credits)
Design, installation and operation of automatic fire suppression systems. Includes sprinkler, foam, carbon dioxide, dry chemical, halogenated agent systems.

2230:250 Hazardous Materials (4 Credits)
Prerequisite: 2230:100. Study of chemical characteristics and reactions related to storage, transportation and handling of hazardous materials. Emphasis on emergency situations, firefighting and control.

2230:254 Fire Prevention (3 Credits)
Prerequisite: 2230:100. Fire codes and standards relative to fire prevention, inspection, and code enforcement.

2230:257 Fire & Safety Issues for Business & Industry (3 Credits)
Industrial fire and safety issues related to specialized hazards, federal and state regulations. Emphasis on emergency response team preparedness, confined space entry, and rescue.

2230:260 Fundamentals of Firefighting (3 Credits)
Prerequisites: Must be accepted into the Fire Academy, possess a valid driver’s license, and permission of the department. Corequisites: 2230:261, 2230:262, and 2230:263. Course 1 of 4: Minimum training level to function as a firefighter in the State of Ohio, identified in the National Fire Protection Association standards, NFPA 1001.

2230:261 Firefighter I (4 Credits)
Prerequisites: Must be accepted into the Fire Academy, possess a valid driver’s license, and permission of the department. Corequisites: 2230:260, 2230:262, and 2230:263. Course 2 of 4: Minimum training level to function as a firefighter in the State of Ohio, identified in the National Fire Protection Association standards, NFPA 1001.

2230:262 Firefighter II (4 Credits)
Prerequisites: Must be accepted into the Fire Academy, possess a valid driver’s license, and permission of the department. Corequisites: 2230:260, 2230:261, and 2230:263. Course 3 of 4: Minimum training level to function as a firefighter in the State of Ohio, identified in the National Fire Protection Association standards, NFPA 1001.

2230:263 Emergency Vehicle Operations (1 Credit)
Prerequisites: Must be accepted into the Fire Academy, possess a valid driver’s license, and permission of the department. Corequisites: 2230:260, 2230:261, and 2230:262. Course 4 of 4: Proper operation of an emergency vehicle is critical for fire service providers. The Ohio Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) is designed to enhance safe vehicle operation by stressing theory and principles of defensive driving in both emergency and non-emergency situations. Students will learn safe driving practices, defensive driving principles, the responsibilities of an emergency vehicle driver, how to safely operate emergency vehicles during emergent responses, and the difficulties of driving fire apparatus. The course includes hands-on driving exercises that will enhance the ability of a student to operate a vehicle during an emergency situation by teaching personal and vehicle control limitations. The course is a requirement to qualify for Ohio Firefighter I and Firefighter II certification.

2230:280 Fire Service Administration (4 Credits)
Prerequisite: 2230:100. Fire officer professional qualifications; federal, state regulations governing department operations-OSHA, EPA; emergency and non-emergency operations procedures-ICS, IMS, Emergency Operations Center are presented.

2230:290 Special Topics: Fire Science Technology (1-4 Credits)
(May be repeated for a total of four credits) Prerequisite: Permission. Selected topics or subject areas of interest in fire protection technology.

2230:294 Advanced Fire Investigation Methods (3 Credits)
Prerequisites: 2230:100, 2230:104, 2230:205, and 2230:206. Designed to meet student and in service fire investigators need to understand new/updated technology and methodology in managing fire investigations.

2230:295 Field Experience I (2 Credits)
Prerequisites: 30 credit hours of successfully completed course work in the Fire Protection Technology program which includes 2230:100, 2230:102, 2230:104, 2230:204, 2230:205, and 2230:280 and permission. Course designed to measure the knowledge, skills and abilities required to become a graduate of The University of Akron, Fire Protection Program.

2230:296 Field Experience II (2 Credits)
Prerequisites: 30 credit hours of successfully completed course work in the Fire Protection Technology program which includes 2230:100, 2230:102, 2230:104, 2230:204, 2230:205, and 2230:280. If not currently an active fire fighter, you must take 2230:295 first. Course designed to measure the knowledge, skills and abilities required to become a front line supervisor, work in hazmat bureau or beginning arson investigator.

2230:297 Independent Study: Fire Protection (1-3 Credits)
Prerequisite: 2230:100 and permission. Selected topics and special areas of study in fire protection technology under the supervision and evaluation of a selected faculty who assigns specific arrangements.