## FIRE 204A Course Outline as of Spring 2011

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: FIRE 204A Title: FIRE COMMAND 1A

Full Title: Fire Command 1A Last Reviewed: 1/27/2014

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	1.50	Lecture Scheduled	1.25	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	21.88
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	1.00	1	Lab Scheduled	17.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	2.25		Contact Total	39.38
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 43.75 Total Student Learning Hours: 83.13

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: P/NP Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

## **Catalog Description:**

This course is designed to prepare fire personnel to practice and implement fire command decisions in the field at the company level. Upon successful completion, the student will be awarded a Fire Command 1A certificate from the State Fire Marshal's office.

# **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

FIRE 71 or equivalent

## **Recommended Preparation:**

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

## **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Prerequisites/Corequisites: FIRE 71 or equivalent

Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment:

**Transfer Credit:** 

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

# **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Not Certificate/Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

## **Outcomes and Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. List and identify the role of the company officer during emergency operations.
- 2. Describe the psychology of the command officer.
- 3. List and explain the basic divisions of firefighting operations.
- 4. Demonstrate how a pre-fire program affects fire command practices.
- 5. Demonstrate actions for various simulated emergency situations.
  - a. Establish tactical objectives.
  - b. Apply either the simple or the complex decision model.
- c. Apply the management and operational principles required to bring the emergency under control.

# **Topics and Scope:**

- 1. The Fire Ground Officer
  - a. Scene management
  - b. Fire ground safety
  - c. Pressures of command
- 2. Fire Behavior
  - a. Fire chemistry
  - b. Extinguishing agents
  - c. Fire behavior in structures
- 3. Fire Ground Resources
  - a. Local, state, and federal
  - b. Occupancy types and protection systems
  - c. Building construction
  - d. Pre-fire planning
  - e. Estimating resource needs
- 4. Fire Ground Operations

- a. Strategy and tactics
- b. Role of first-in officer
- c. Initial fire attack
- d. Fire ground skills
- 5. Fire Ground Management
  - a. Decision making models
  - b. Structural integrity
  - c. Management by objectives (MBO)
  - d. Command and control
- 6. Emergency Simulation
  - a. Skull sessions
  - b. Simulations

## **Assignment:**

- 1. Command and decision based scenarios (10-16 hours)
- 2. Manual worksheets (5-10)
- 3. State exam

### **Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:**

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because problem solving assessments are more appropriate for this course.

Writing 0 - 0%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Scenarios

Problem solving 5 - 10%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Command and decision based scenarios

Skill Demonstrations 5 - 10%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

State exam

Exams 80 - 90%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

**Representative Textbooks and Materials:**CFSTES MANUAL Fire Command 1A by California Fire Service Training and Education System, SFMO, 1995. (Classic)