Blue Ridge Community College - Diploma in Emergency Management Technology

The Blue Ridge Community College Emergency Management curriculum is designed to provide students with a foundation of technical and professional knowledge needed for emergency services delivery in local and state government agencies. Study involves both management and technical aspects of law enforcement, fire protection, emergency medical services, and emergency planning. Course work includes classroom and laboratory exercises to introduce the student to various aspects of emergency preparedness, protection, and enforcement. Students will learn technical and administrative skills such as investigative principles, hazardous materials, codes, standards, emergency agency operations, and finance.

Employment opportunities include ambulance services, fire/rescue agencies, law enforcement agencies, fire marshal offices, industrial firms, educational institutions, emergency management offices, and other government agencies. Employed persons should have opportunities for skilled and supervisory-level positions. This curriculum complies with the standard approved by the State Board of Community Colleges. Students may be required to take one or more developmental courses as a result of pre-enrollment placement tests; therefore, the student may need more than the minimum number of semester hours listed for graduation. Developmental courses for this program may include Readiness Level Reading, English, and/or Math and other courses in developmental Reading, English, Math, Biology and Chemistry. This program can be completed via on-line course work. Some credit may be given in lieu of Firefighter credit already completed such as Fire Officer 1 and 2 and FLSE, please contact the Program Coordinator for further information.

Required Courses (40 hours)

Fall Semester (16)
ACA 115 Success and Study Skills 1
CIS 110 Introduction to Computers 3
EPT 130 Mitigation & Preparedness 3
EPT 150 Incident Management 3
EPT 210 Response & Recovery 3
EPT 220 Terrorism and Emergency Management 3

Spring Semester (18)
ENG 111 Writing and Inquiry 3
EPT 140 Emergency Management 3
FIP 152 Fire Protection Law 3
FIP 228 Local Government Finance 3
Major Course Elective*** 6

Summer Term (6)
EPT 120 Sociology of Disaster 3
EPT 275 Emergency Operations Center Management 3

***Major Course Electives are to be selected from the following: (18 credits required)
CJC 120  Interviews/Interrogations 2
CJC 170  Critical Incident Management Public Safety 3
CJC 215  Organization & Administration 3
FIP 164  OSHA Standards 3
FIP 220  Fire Fighting Strategies 3
FIP 221  Advanced Fire Fighting Strategies 3
FIP 240  Fire Service Supervision 3
FIP 248  Fire Service Personnel Administration 3
FIP 256  Municipal Public Relations 3
FIP 260  Fire Protect Planning 3
FIP 276  Managing Fire Services 3

Blue Ridge Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

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