The Fire Science program at Columbus State Community College offers the following options for certification as a Firefighter in Ohio:

1) Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree in Fire Science
2) Firefighter I & II Certification

Firefighter I & II (FIRE 1121 and FIRE 1122) cover all of the basic performance and knowledge objectives in the current NFPA Standard 1001 for Firefighter II, including but not limited to: fire department organization, safety, fire alarm, fire behavior, extinguishment, ropes, ladders, hose streams, fire control and rescue.

Successful completion of FIRE 1121 & FIRE 1122 meets the eligibility requirements to take the State of Ohio certification exam for employment as a firefighter in the State of Ohio.

You cannot register for FIRE 1121 and FIRE 1122 without a completed and approved health record on file. Please note: these courses fill up rather quickly so start on the health record as soon as possible. The required TB test may take up to 14 days to complete. Please call the Health Records Office at 614-287-2450 with any health record questions. In addition, you must register for both FIRE 1121 and FIRE 1122 at the same time as these courses run concurrently.

The State of Ohio requires all students to attend 100% of the course hours. There are NO EXCEPTIONS to this rule!

AUTUMN, SPRING & SEMESTER SCHEDULE
16 weeks- Monday thru Thursday 9:00am-2:50pm

SUMMER SEMESTER SCHEDULE
11 weeks- Monday thru Thursday 9:00am-4:50pm plus four- 8 hour Saturdays

The Fire Science Program at Columbus State is chartered by the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS (Charter #311), to teach at the following certification levels: Volunteer Firefighter, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Fire Safety Inspector and Public Safety Instructor.
Approximate Costs for FIRE 1121 and 1122:

ALL COSTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE

Matriculation fee $ 50.00
Tuition (10 credit hours) $ see Tuition cost online
Lab Fees $ 300.00
Approximate book costs $ 150.00
Uniforms and Gear* $ 865.00

Once registered, you will be notified by mail and email of a MANDATORY gear and uniform fitting well prior to the beginning of class. You must respond to these messages in order to set an appointment time for gear fitting. Proper fit of your uniform and firefighter protective ensemble is critical to your safety and ability to perform all skills without restrictions caused by garment fit. Do not attempt to purchase uniforms and turnout gear on your own. Our vendors will fit you for CSCC approved items.

Additional equipment suggested: Knee Pads- these may be purchased at nearly any hardware or big box store for $6 to $60. Six to ten dollar pads work just fine.

Contact Fire Science Coordinator Jack McCoy for additional information: jmccoy37@csc.edu

*The total cost of uniforms, fire boots, fire gloves and protective hood (all of which you keep) plus the rental firefighter personal protective ensemble (turnout or bunker gear- pants and jacket, these you do not keep) is: $865.00.

**Costs are subject to change without notice

Refer to our Getting Started Guide- Fire Science for information on how to apply to the program.