A.A.S. Fire Science

Continuation and Progression Policies

- The Department of Kinesiology reserves the right to require withdrawal of a Fire Science student from the program or a Fire Science course who fails to demonstrate competency and/or displays inappropriate/unprofessional or unsafe behavior.
- Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 to progress in Fire Science and to graduate. No grade lower than C- will be accepted in Fire Science courses. Students whose GPA falls below 2.5 at any time during the program must raise their GPA to 2.5 or better within the next semester to continue in the program. If the GPA remains below 2.5, the student will be permanently dropped from the program.
- Students are allowed only one repeat of one Fire Science course.
- Fire Science courses dropped within one (1) week after the midterm date on the academic calendar will not count as a completed course. A Fire Science course that is dropped after that time will be treated as a completed Fire Science course.
- Students who fail a course may progress only with permission of the Kinesiology Department.
- All Fire Science courses are to be completed within a three-year time frame.
- Students cannot take the Texas Fire Certification exam until all degree requirements have been met.

Termination Policy

The following situations or conditions will result in termination from the fire science program:

- Unsafe, unethical, or unprofessional fire science practice
- GPA less than 2.5 for two consecutive semesters.
- Unresolved issues with the drug screen and background checks

Readmission Policy

Readmission is possible for Fire Science students who left the program in good standing, and according to the Fire Science progression criteria. Students who have been out of the program will return under the most current bulletin. A new background check and drug screen must be completed and approved before being readmitted.

Transportation Policies

Students are expected to provide their own transportation to and from off-campus. Faculty will not provide transportation.

On-campus Residency and Transfer Requirements

Complete a minimum of 15 semester credit hours in residence. The last 12 hours before graduation must be taken in residence at SWAU. Transfer credits will be awarded according to University policy.

Boot Camp

Boot camp is an intensive hands-on lab/skills session that is completed in a special summer term after successful completion of the freshman year. The candidate will sign up for a May, June, July, or August Boot Camp offering before the end of their first semester. Students will be participating in an intensive 2-week program designed to complete the practical (skills) portion of the Fire Academy. Every effort has been made to replicate a real working fire station to make the Boot Camp experience in every way a slice of the professional firefighter's life. The entire academy class will be housed in a new, state of the art training facility. Students will be responsible for cleaning and basic housekeeping for the facility. Most hands-on training will take place in the fire yard, on the apparatus, fire tower, in a burning building, or at other appropriate facilities. Students will be required to pass the final evaluation with at least an 80% in order to be permitted to test for their certificate with the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. The final evaluation is a 200 question, multiple-choice exam that will be given at the boot camp. Failure in any of these components will require remedial training and a re-test

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REQUIRED COURSES

This major requires one elective hour

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BIOL 101	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
ENGL 121	Freshman Composition	3
	History Electives for Two Year Program	3
KINA 111	Physical Fitness	1
	Religion Electives for Two Year Program	6
UNIV 111	Wellness for Life	2
FIRS 101	Firefighter Certification I	3
FIRS 102	Firefighter Certification II	3
FIRS 103	Firefighter Certification III	3
FIRS 104	Firefighter Certification IV	3
FIRS 201	Firefighter Certification V	3
FIRS 202	Firefighter Certification VI	3
FIRS 203	Firefighter Certification VII	3
FIRS 204	Fire Fighting Practicum - "Skill Month"	2
FIRT 211	Internship	3
FIRT 212	Firefighter Health & Safety	3
FIRT 213	Fire Prevention, Codes, and Inspection	3
FIRT 215	Fire Apparatus Pumper - Driver/Operator	3
EMSP 201	EMT Basic	4
EMSP 202	EMT Clinical	1
	Total credits for degree:	60