

FIRE SCIENCE MISSION STATEMENT

Program Mission Statement

In partnership with the fire departments of southern Illinois, the Fire Science program at Southwestern Illinois College is committed to the health, welfare, and safety of the region through the development of a well-trained and educated fire service.

To this purpose the faculty dedicates itself to providing life long learning opportunities that meet or exceed the professional qualifications established by the National Fire Protection Association and the National Fire Academy. It shall use a system that assesses the performance and progress of each student during the pursuit of his or her professional development and shall insure that students learn what their department and the fire service of Illinois expect of them.

Educational Goals

The graduates of the Fire Science degree at Southwestern Illinois College will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of fire behavior, building construction and other sciences that affect the provision of fire protection.
2. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the philosophy and organization of the fire service.
3. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the services provided by the fire service and how the services are needed,
4. Demonstrate the safe and effective use and management of the facilities, vehicles and equipment that are used in the provision of fire protection.

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