

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
Between
College of Southern Maryland
And
Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute

Preamble

As partners in education, this articulation agreement between College of Southern Maryland (CSM) and Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute (MFRI) establishes the relationship between courses taken at CSM and training received from the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute that enables eligible students to earn an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree in Fire Science Technology.

Agreement

WHEREAS CSM and MFRI are committed to expanding educational opportunities, and

WHEREAS the two institutions are committed to providing a smooth transition for students wishing to earn an associate degree, and

WHEREAS the intent of the two institutions is to avoid duplication of curricula where appropriate within articulated programs of study, and

WHEREAS the two institutions better serve the educational growth of students and the economic development of the community through cooperative educational planning and optimal utilization of community resources,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this agreement commits the partners to full support of an articulation process between similar academic programs offered by the two institutions.

Provisions

1. CSM provides general education courses at CSM locations, and MFRI provides the technical courses at MFRI sites.
2. Both institutions will follow the joint program curriculum and course-by-course articulation delineated on the attached "College of Southern Maryland and Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Course Articulation" document.
3. Both institutions will cooperate toward developing, dissemination, and presenting the articulated program information to students.
4. Students are subjected to the policies and procedures of each institution.
5. Both institutions reserve the right to modify the programs as necessary. Each institution must notify the other of any curriculum changes and changes to the "College of Southern Maryland and Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Course Articulation" document by November 1st of the year prior to the changes if the changes constitute 33% or more of the program. If the changes constitute less than 33% of the curriculum, notification must be given no later than January 1st. Any changes must be communicated to the Certification Facilitator at MFRI, to the Program Coordinator for Fire Science Technology at CSM, and to the Coordinator of Transfer and Articulation at CSM.
6. Both institutions agree that students who enter CSM under this program and remain continuously enrolled each fall and spring semester will be allowed to complete the program according to the "College of Southern Maryland and Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Course Articulation" agreement in place at the time the student entered CSM.

The College of Southern Maryland and Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Course Articulation

I. Introduction

The Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute (MFRI) of the University of Maryland is recognized as the State's comprehensive training and education system for emergency services. The Institute plans, researches, develops, and delivers quality programs to enhance the ability of emergency services providers to protect life, the environment and property. MFRI is the State's fire and emergency service training agency.

The Institute has more than 70 years of experience in providing training to protect the citizens of Maryland. The Field Operations Section is responsible for the delivery of field programs throughout the regions of Maryland. The Institute Development Section is constantly providing new and revised teaching programs to reflect the current dynamics within emergency services. The Logistical Support Section is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the training centers equipment, vehicles, and props. The Special Programs Section provides counseling and training services to industry and government in safety, regulatory compliance, and emergency response.

Articulated Credits compose the Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science Technology degree.

II. Articulated Credits

CSM has agreed to grant articulated college credit for the following courses to students who successfully complete the program at MFRI of the University of Maryland. Credits for MFRI courses will be transferred into the college based on this agreement.

Required Occupational Courses Offered through Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute:

- FST-1110 (3) Firefighter I
- FST-1120 (2) Firefighter II
- FST-1150 (1) Hazardous Materials Operations
- FST-1160 (1) Pump Operator
- FST-1180 (1) Aerial Apparatus Operator
- FST-2030 (3) Fire Inspector I
- FST-2120 (4) Fire Officer I
- FST-2041 (2) Fire Department Safety Officer OR FST-2015 (1) Fire Department Health and Safety Officer AND FST-2016 (1) Fire Department Incident Safety Officer

Take Two Courses:

- FST-2021 (1) Rescue Technician-Site Operations
- FST-2022 (1) Rescue Technician-Vehicle and Machinery Extrication
- FST-2023 (1) Rescue Technician-Confined Space Rescue
- FST-2024 (1) Rescue Technician-Swiftwater Rescue Technician
- FST-2025 (1) Rescue Technician-Structural Collapse Technician
- FST-2026 (1) Rescue Technician-Rope Rescue
- FST-2027 (1) Rescue Technician-Trench Rescue Operations

Take One of the Following:

- FST-2028 (1) Decision Making for Initial Company Operations
- FST-2029 (1) Preparation for Initial Company Operations
- FST-2031 (1) Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations

A student will receive the 20 articulated technical course credits after the student has been admitted to CSM, registered for a course, and provided a signed and dated original "Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Articulated Credit Certification" form to the Registrar's Office at CSM. Students will need to contact the Certification Facilitator at MFRI to have the "Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Articulated Credit Certification" form completed. The form is at the end of this agreement.

Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Articulated Credit Certification

Date: _____

To: Registrar's Office, College of Southern Maryland

From: Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute

This is to certify that _____ ID# _____ has successfully completed courses at the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute.

Student has been told that these credits can only be applied to the Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science Technology.

Based upon the articulation agreement between the College of Southern Maryland and Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute, and in recognition that the named student has met the criteria defined in the articulation agreement, I recommend that the College of Southern Maryland grant college credit to the student for the following courses:

MFRI Course Code	CSM Course	Course Title & Credits	Completed	
FFI, FIRE-101	FST-1110	Firefighter I (3)		
FFII, FIRE-201	FST-1120	Firefighter II (2)		
HMO, HM-102 or HM-112	FST-1150	Hazardous Materials Operations (1)		
P, PO, FIRE-113	FST-1160	Pump Operator (1)		
AAOTCO, FIRE-114	FST-1180	Aerial Apparatus Operator (1)		
MCTODNFA, MCTOD, MGMT-134, FIRE-137	FST-2028	Decision Making for Initial Company Operations (1)		Credit granted for only 1
MCTOPNFA, MCTOP, MGMT-135, FIRE-133	FST-2029	Preparation for Initial Company Operations (1)		
MCTOTNFA, MCTOT, MGMT-132, FIRE-124	FST-2031	Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations (1)		
RT, RTR, RTVMR, RES-201	FST-2021 & FST-2022	Rescue Technician-Site Operations and Vehicle and Machinery Rescue (2)		Maximum of 2 credits
RES-101	FST-2021	Rescue Technician-Site Operations (1)		
RTCSR, RTCS, RES-202	FST-2023	Rescue Technician-Confined Space Rescue (1)		
RTTRR, RTTR, RES-205	FST-2026	Rescue Technician-Rope Rescue (1)		
RTTRO, RES-206	FST-2027	Rescue Technician-Trench Rescue Operations (1)		
RES-208, RES-209	FST-2025	Rescue Technician-Structural Collapse Technician (1)		
RES-210	FST-2022	Rescue Technician-Vehicle and Machinery Extrication (1)		
RES-213	FST-2024	Rescue Technician Swiftwater Rescue (1)		
FINSPI, FINI, MGMT-204	FST-2030	Fire Inspector I (3)		
FDSO, FIRE-110	FST-2041	Fire Department Safety Officer (2)		Maximum of 2 credits
MGMT-216	FST-2015	Fire Department Health and Safety Officer (1)		
MGMT-217	FST-2016	Fire Department Incident Safety Officer (1)		
FOTI, FOTIR, MGMT-201	FST-2120	Fire Officer I (4)		

Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute

(For College Use Only)

Date _____

Accepted by _____

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