

MCC Mohave Community College

Spring 2020 Fire Academy Application Packet

Application Period Closes on
October 18, 2019 at 5PM

Application packets can be obtained online by going
to <http://www.mohave.edu/firescience> **PRINT THIS APP IN COLOR**

Completed application packets can be returned

to any campus and forwarded to the:
Fire Science Department
Kingman DAC Campus Room #1820

Applications must be received no later
than 5pm on Monday October 18, 2019

If you have any questions concerning the application
Please email Kdooley@mohave.edu

FIRE ACADEMY

Program Information

The MCC Fire Academy is a 272-hour course providing recruits manipulative and technical training in basic firefighting concepts such as; fire behavior, fire hose handling and water supply, ladder design and use, physical fitness, fire history, personal protective equipment, rescue procedures, command and control, fire suppression, hazardous materials, and firefighter safety, along with many additional aspects related to a firefighting career. Upon successful completion of the Fire Academy, recruits will receive 12 college credits, establishing a foundation for an Associate of Science Degree in Fire Science.

This is a 16 week Basic Fire Academy. The course is scheduled to meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6-10pm, and all day Saturdays, 6am – 5pm. *This program has a strict attendance policy and students are only allowed 24 hours of excused absences during the course of the program.*

Course Fee: \$2500.00

Once your Fire Academy application has been approved and all testing completed, recruits/participants will be directed to the MCC Registration Office to register for the Academy. The Tuition and fees will be due at that time. Course fee covers all clothing, books, boots, fire fighting gear, SCBAs and training materials. Tuition: Current tuition rate for MCC is \$81 per credit hour. FSC 150 is a total of 12 credit hours for a total tuition cost of \$972.00.

Preliminary Application Costs:

Recruits/participants are responsible for all preliminary fees necessary for the background investigation, drug screen, physical examination, and entry-level written examination. No recruit will be allowed into the Fire Academy without completing **ALL** of the following.

1. Written Examination:

Recruits/participants are required to pay the **\$50.00 Examination Fee** at the time and place of the written examination. This payment must be cash or check. There will be **NO** credit/debit card machines at the test site.

2. Clinical Site Requirements:

*The background checks and drug screening are conducted by PreCheck Inc., a firm specializing in background checks and screenings for educational programs. Your order must be placed online through StudentCheck between the dates listed in your acceptance letter. The current fee is \$95.50.(An instruction page for StudentCheck will be emailed to you once you have been accepted in the academy) **Do not complete the background/drug screen portion until you have received notice of preliminary acceptance into the program.***

3. Physical Examination:

Recruits/participants are responsible for the cost and scheduling of their physical examination from a physician of their choice. The physician's acknowledgment form (P.10&11) must be completed and turned in prior to the application deadline. In the event there is a delay in getting an appointment with your doctor, applicants **MUST** contact the Director of Fire Science prior to the program's mandatory orientation meeting. Doctors notes/form must be attached to application!

Written & Fitness Exam Date

Sat, Nov. 2, 2019

**8:00AM
Bullhead City Fire Station#1 1260
Hancock Rd
BHC AZ**

Must bring photo ID and \$50 Fee

Written Exam --Must pass with a 60% or Higher to be accepted!

The written exam will take approximately 2 hours. Questions are typically based on the following:

- Reading comprehension
- Reasoning and judgment
- Spatial orientation
- Observation and memory
- Mechanical reasoning
- Basic mathematical skills

NOTE: Absolutely **NO** electronic devices will be allowed in the testing area. This includes but is not limited to such devices as calculators, cell phones, MP3 players, computers, smart watches etc. Such devices cannot be in your possession; being turned off or on vibrate does not count. Anyone caught with an electronic device will be removed from the test and will not be accepted into the Fire Academy.

Physical Fitness Test

Components of the Fitness Assessment will include:

- Aerobic endurance: 1 ½ mile timed run (must be able to complete in under 13:30 minutes)
- Muscular strength: Max push ups in 2 minutes (Minimum to complete is 25 boy push ups)
- Muscular endurance: Max sit-ups in 2 minutes (minimum to complete is 25 sit-ups)
- Simulated Rescue drag, using 150lb mannequin (must complete in < 0 seconds)
- Simulated ventilation using Keiser sled prop (must move the sled 36" in < 45 seconds)

Schedule at a Glance

Aug 1	Fire Academy applications available on-line www.mohave.edu/firescience
October 18	Last day to submit application BY 5PM
October 23	Academy Orientation, 7:00pm (Kingman MCC DAC-RM 1811)
October 24	Academy Orientation, 7:00 pm (BHC Sta #1 1260 Hancock Rd)
November 2	Written & Fitness Examination, 08:00am BHC FD Fire Station #1
November 5	Acceptance/Rejection emails sent
November 22	Background and Drug screen must be completed before this date
December 6	Must be registered for FSC 150 Spring '20
January 2	Academy Gear handout (mandatory) (Check letter for time & location)
January 4	MCC Fire Academy begins ---0600-1700
May 7	Last day of Fire Academy Class-- <u>Skills day Sat May 9, 2020</u>

Fire Academy

Instructions to Completing the Application/Registration Process

Check with the Fire Science Program to determine when the application period begins and ends.

***Important Note:** If you are NOT a returning student from one year or less, or if you are a new student, you must complete a New Student Orientation class. If you need this class, schedule it now! Do not wait until the end of the application process. Delaying the completion of the New Student Orientation may prevent you from being able to register for the Fire Academy once you are selected to attend. If you are prevented from registering for the Academy because you have not completed your New Student Orientation class, you will lose your seat in the Academy! See Step 9 below for additional information.

Step 1. Review the entire Fire Academy application.

Determine you can meet all of the obligations of the application process before committing to applying for the Fire Academy.

Complete all sections of the application.

Note: If you are a new student and have not taken the ACCU-PLACER test, you will need to schedule to do so as soon as possible. See a student services representative.

Step 2. Visit your Doctor or Clinic to complete your physical examination.

Once completed and signed by your Doctor, attach the completed Physician's Acknowledgment form to your application along with the Doctors Form/notes!

Step 3. Attend one of the Fire Academy orientation meetings.

The Fire Academy orientation will provide you with the information required to ensure a complete application and will aid you in the preparation for the testing process. Additionally, the orientation will provide prospective recruits with an overview of what will be expected in the academy.

Step 6. Turn in your completed application, as well as all required documentation, by the application deadline date.

The application **MUST** be 100% complete including all of the required documentation as directed in the application. Failure to submit a complete application by the deadline could result in your disqualification from the selection process.

Step 7. Attend the written examination on the scheduled date.

****No make-up dates are scheduled for the written or Physical examinations.**

Step 8. Attend the physical fitness assessment on the scheduled date.

Step 9. Once you receive your Fire Academy Acceptance letter, complete your Background Check and Drug Screening through Pre-Check Inc.

Step 10. Once you receive your final acceptance email, register for FSC 150.

The Fire Science Department must first authorize you to register therefore do not attempt to register for the Fire Academy until you receive your acceptance call. Make sure you give us a valid phone number and **email**.

If you are a returning Student from one year or less, you can register on-line at <http://www.mohave.edu> . Go to the Admissions page and click on the Register Online tab. There are instructions on the page to assist you in registering for the class.

If you are a new student, you must complete a “New Student Orientation” course. This is a no-cost, 3-hour class. Meet with an academic advisor and schedule the New Student Orientation by calling 866-664-2832. Complete the New Student Orientation class early, well before it is time to register.

Step 11. Once you have completed registering for FSC 150, Fire Academy, notify the Fire Science Office that you are fully registered by emailing: kdooley@mohave.edu

Step 12. Attend the mandatory Fire Academy Meeting.

Failure to attend the Fire Academy Gear Hand out meeting on January 2, 2020, **WILL** result in dismissal from the program.

Only return pages 7-12



Fire Academy Application Packet

Please make sure your email address & best contact number is current. If any of your contact information changes, notify the Fire Science office immediately.

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Alternate Phone: _____

MCC ID # _____

Date of Birth: _____

Have you submitted the following:

- ___ Completed application
 - ___ Copy of driver's license
 - ___ Physician's acknowledgment form
 - ___ Proof of health insurance
 - ___ Copy of diploma, GED, or college transcripts
 - ___ Doctors Physical Form/Notes
 - ___ Proof of ACCU-PLACER score (if on file with MCC, no need to submit)
 - ___ Signed applicant acknowledgment of risk
 - ___ Email from your Advisor regarding
 - ___ Financial Aid and registration status
- Supplemental documentation: see below**

- ___ Copy of college degree
- ___ Letter from Explorer Advisor
- ___ Form DD-214 (military experience)
- ___ Copy of NREMT



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Application and Acknowledgement of Risk/Liability

I. A FALSE OR MISLEADING STATEMENT ON THIS FORM IS A CRIME UNDER 13-2704, 13-2907 AND IS CAUSE TO DENY OR REVOKE FIREFIGHTER CERTIFICATION.

The existence of any of the conditions listed below may result in rejection from the selection process. These areas will be explored extensively during a background investigation.

1. Illegal Drug Use
2. Participation in Criminal Activity
3. Poor Driving Record
4. Dishonesty/Providing False Information

III. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Your Social Security Number is requested for identification and record keeping purposes. Disclosure of you Social Security Number is for the purpose of conducting a thorough background investigation.

IV. LIABILITY AND INJURY INFORMATION

Some of the courses involve “hands-on” training that may subject the recruit to risk of injury. In consideration of being permitted to participate in such training or instruction, the recruit acknowledges that they are aware of the risks associated with participation in such training and instruction and is voluntarily agreeing to assume such risks. The Mohave Community College’s Fire Academy provides training and instruction in firefighting “skills” and “proficiency”. Classes are monitored by the required safety personnel and are under supervision of competent instructors.

Mohave Community College DOES NOT provide any type medical/health coverage or insurance to the recruit/participants. Recruit/participants MUST provide their own medical insurance. Medical costs incurred due to injury or illness occurring as a result of the Fire Academy is the sole responsibility of the individual recruit/participant. This includes any injury or illness occurring before, during, and/or after the Fire Academy.

V. AGE DISSCLAIMER

Recruits under the age of 18, or currently attending high school, may not register for the academy.

VI. CODE OF CONDUCT

The work that emergency service personnel perform everyday has earned the respect and admiration of the general public. Unfortunately, this respect is easily tarnished when an emergency worker engages in undesirable behavior. Therefore, your actions, whether they are on duty or off duty, reflect upon you and the emergency service profession as a whole. As prospective representatives of emergency service agencies, recruits are expected to demonstrate the highest level of professional standards. Failure to demonstrate a high level of professional demeanor can result in dismissal from the Fire Academy without refund, college credits, or certificate.

VII. ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to attend all training sessions. A student, whose absentee record exceeds twenty-four (24) hours, whether or not the absences were excused or unexcused, will be dismissed from the Academy. Tardiness will not be tolerated. Three (3) incidents of tardiness will constitute one eight (8) hour absence and will count towards the automatic dismissal rate of 24 hours.

VIII. EXPENSES

In addition to the Tuition, students will be responsible for all preliminary costs. Preliminary costs include the fees necessary for the background investigation, drug screen, physical examination (completed by student’s personal physician) and the administration of an entry-level written exam.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Mandatory Medical/Health Insurance

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Although Mohave Community College does not provide health insurance, there are affordable health plans available to students. Among other providers, you can go to www.ejsmith.com to see plans offered to MCC students through E. J. Smith & Associates, Inc.

I, (Print name) _____ understand that proof of health insurance is required in order to participate in the Mohave Community College Fire Academy. I also understand that if accepted to the program I must provide proof of coverage prior to the first class or I will be ineligible to continue and will be dropped from the program. Failure to maintain coverage throughout the duration of the program will result in ineligibility and I will be unable to attend classes until coverage is restored. If coverage is not restored prior to time requirements, I will be deemed ineligible and will be dropped from the program.

_____ I currently have health insurance (Attach photocopy of Insurance Card)

_____ I currently do NOT have health insurance and will purchase coverage after admission to the program. A copy of my card will then be provided prior to first day of class.

Print Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

TAKE PAGES 10 and 11 to your Doctor

Physician's Acknowledgment Form

Dear Physician,

Please use this checklist as reference when completing the recruit's physical examination. Once completed, please review the information below with the candidate and "discuss" any possible limitations, or concerns. Please have the student sign this form once you have discussed any possible limitations or concerns with them.

After you review the information with the Recruit, please complete both pages and keep a copy on file in the event verification is needed. Return the original to the candidate. The candidate is instructed to return both pages 10 & 11 of this packet and his/her actual doctors notes/physical form to:

Kamrin Dooley
Director of Fire Science --Mohave Community College --DAC Building
1801 Detroit Ave Room #1820
Kingman AZ 86401

Today, I examined _____ and discussed the following essential job tasks of a Fire Academy participant:

- _____ (1) Performing fire-fighting tasks (e.g., hose line operations, extensive crawling, lifting and carrying heavy objects, ventilating roofs or walls using power or hand tools, forcible entry), rescue operations, and other emergency response actions under stressful conditions while wearing personal protective gear and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), including working in extremely hot or cold environments for prolonged time periods
- _____ (2) Wearing an SCBA, which includes a demand valve-type positive-pressure face piece or HEPA filter masks, which requires the ability to tolerate increased respiratory workloads
- _____ (3) Exposure to toxic fumes, irritants, particulates, biological (infectious) and non-biological hazards, and/or heated gases, despite the use of personal protective gear and SCBA
- _____ (4) Depending on the local jurisdiction, climbing six or more flights of stairs while wearing fire protective gear weighing at least 50lb (22.6 kg) or more and carrying equipment/tools weighing an additional 20 to 40lb (9 to 18 kg)
- _____ (5) Wearing fire protective gear that is encapsulating and insulated, which will result in significant fluid loss that frequently progresses to clinical dehydration and can elevate core temperature to levels exceeding 102.2°F (39°C)

- _____ (6) Searching, finding, and rescue-dragging or carrying victims ranging from newborns up to adults weighing over 200lb (90 kg) to safety despite hazardous conditions and low visibility
- _____ (7) Advancing (dragging) water-filled hose lines up to 2 ½ in. (65 mm) in diameter from fire apparatus to occupancy [approximately 150ft (50 m)], which can involve negotiating multiple flights of stairs, ladders, and other obstacles
- _____ (8) Climbing ladders, operating from heights, walking or crawling in the dark along narrow and uneven surfaces, and operating in proximity to electrical power lines and/or other hazards
- _____ (9) Unpredictable emergency requirements for prolonged periods of extreme physical exertion without benefit of warm-up, scheduled rest periods, meals, access to medication(s), or hydration
- _____ (10) Operating fire apparatus or other vehicles in an emergency mode with emergency lights and sirens
- _____ (11) Critical, time-sensitive, complex problem solving during physical exertion in stressful, hazardous environments, including hot, dark, tightly enclosed spaces, that is further aggravated by fatigue, flashing lights, sirens, and other distractions
- _____ (12) Ability to communicate (give and comprehend verbal orders) while wearing personal protective gear and SCBA under conditions of high background noise, poor visibility, and drenching from hose lines and/or fixed protection systems (sprinklers)
- _____ (13) Functioning as an integral component of a team, where sudden incapacitation of a member can result in mission failure or in risk of injury or death to civilians or other team members.

_____ **Student's Signature**

_____ **Date**

_____ **Print Student's Name**

_____ **Examiners Name and Address** **City** **State**



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Please complete this form and return it with your completed Fire Academy application.

Name: _____

Circle one

Shirt size: S M L XL XXL

Glove Size: S M L XL XXL

Sweat shirt: S M L XL XXL

Sweat Pants: S M L XL XXL

PT Short size: S M L XL XXL
(Adjustable drawstring)

Pant Size: Waist _____ Length _____ Long or Regular
(Waist and inseam measurement)

Shoe/Boot Size: _____

Height: ____ Feet ____ Inches