



WACO, TEXAS

**COURSE SYLLABUS
AND
INSTRUCTOR PLAN**

Firefighter Certification IV

FIRS 1319 75

Stephen Cook

NOTE: This is a 16-week course.

COVID 19 Notice:

McLennan Community College is committed to providing you with every resource you need to reach your academic goals including your safety. We will continue to monitor the evolving situation with COVID 19 and adjust our safety guidelines to make sure we offer a safe environment for you and our faculty. Please make sure to consult your faculty and the MCC website at <https://www.mclennan.edu/crisis-management/coronavirus-updates/index.html> on any changes to these guidelines.

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Course Description:

One in a series of courses in basic preparation for a new firefighter. Should be taken in conjunction with Firefighter Certification I, II, III, V, VI, and VII to satisfy the Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) curriculum for Basic Structural Fire Suppression, Course #100. ***THIS COURSE MAY BE OFFERED ONLY BY INSTITUTIONS CERTIFIED TRAINING FACILITY BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION (TCFP) ***

Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:

Firefighter Certification I, II, III, V, VI, and VII and Physical Conditioning for Firefighters

Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:

This course will be taught face to face using social distancing recommendations, but may be adjusted depending upon requirements from the college, county and state.

Instructor Information:

Instructor Name: Stephen Cook
MCC Email: scook@mclennan.edu
Office Phone Number: 254-299-6511 Cell 254-717-8931
Office Location: ESEC 133
Office/Teacher Conference Hours: By appointment
Other Instruction Information: Zoom meeting room is 2547178931

Required Text & Materials:

Title: Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills and Hazardous Materials Response
Author: Multiple
Edition: 4th
Publisher: Jones & Bartlett
ISBN-13: 978-1284151336
ISBN-10: 1284151336

Title: 2020 Emergency Response Guidebook
Author: Multiple
Edition: 2020
Publisher: Department of Transportation
ISBN: 978-1680080742

Title: Hazardous Materials for First Responders
Author: Leslie Miller
Edition: 5th
Publisher: International Fire Service Training Association
ISBN: 978-0-87939-613-8

MCC Bookstore Website: <http://www.mclennan.edu/bookstore/>

Methods of Teaching and Learning:

Lecture, hands on training, simulations, and online training through the Brightspace system.

Course Objectives and/or Competencies:

All objectives from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection Courses Chapter 1 and Chapter 6 (Awareness and Operations), plus skills for Firefighter I and II, Hazardous Materials Awareness, Operations, and Mission Specific skills. Complete references are at: <https://www.tcfp.texas.gov/services/manuals/curriculum-manual>

Course Outline or Schedule:

Schedule is attached at end of document. Students will be informed by the instructor prior to any changes, face to face.

Course Grading Information:

Courses will be graded on the basis of major tests, homework assignments, and skills testing. Students must maintain an 80 average in the class, and must pass both the firefighting and hazardous materials portions independently of each other. Students must also pass the midterm and final with a minimum score of 70.

Performance skills are all pass/fail, and do not affect the GPA. The Commission on Fire Protection has multiple required skills examinations. Each student is given three attempts to pass the skill. Students who fail all three attempts are dismissed from the program.

Late Work, Attendance, and Make Up Work Policies:

Cadets may not miss more than 40 hours of class time.

Any cadet who will be late or absent either at the beginning of the work day or returning from lunch will call off by phone and report to the duty instructor upon his or her return. All absences are deducted from sick leave. Text information to 254-717-8931

Any cadet missing more than 40 hours of class time will be dropped from the program.

Cadets missing homework assignments will be given one week to make up the assignment, but shall have to do physical training, pushups or towers, for each day the assignment is late. Cadets missing major tests shall make up the test upon their return to class.

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Student Behavioral Expectations or Conduct Policy:

Students are expected to display professional conduct. Students caught cheating will be dismissed from the program. Students must follow all MCC conduct policies.

[Click Here for the MCC Attendance/Absences Policy](https://www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/policies.html)

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Click on the link above for the college policies on attendance and absences. Your instructor may have additional guidelines specific to this course.

8/22/22	Mon		Introduction		
8/23/22	Tue	CH 1	The Fire Service		
8/24/22	Wed	CH 2	FF Health and Safety		
8/25/22	Thu	CH 3	Personal Protective Equipment		
8/26/22	Fri	CH 3	Personal Protective Equipment	Test 1, Chapters 1, 2	PT Baseline
8/27/22	Sat				
8/28/22	Sun				
8/29/22	Mon	CH 3	Personal Protective Equipment		
8/30/22	Tue	CH 3	Personal Protective Equipment		
8/31/22	Wed	CH 4	Communications		
			Firefighter Survival		
9/1/22	Thu	CH 18, 20	Firefighter Rehabilitation		State Skills Test Comr
9/2/22	Fri	CH 5	Fire Behavior	Test 2, Chapters 3, 4	
9/3/22	Sat				
9/4/22	Sun				
9/5/22	Mon		Labor Day		
9/6/22	Tue	CH 6	Building Construction		
9/7/22	Wed	CH 7	Portable Fire Extinguishers	Test 6, Chapters 9, 10	
9/8/22	Thu	CH 8	Firefighter Tools and Equipment	Test 3, Chapters 5, 11, 18, 20	
9/9/22	Fri	CH 9	Ropes and Knots		
9/10/22	Sat				
9/11/22	Sun				

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9/12/22	Mon	CH 9	Ropes and Knots		
9/13/22	Tue	CH 10	Forcible Entry		
9/14/22	Wed	CH 10	Forcible Entry		
9/15/22	Thu	CH 11	Ladders		
9/16/22	Fri		Ladders		PT Test 1
9/17/22	Sat				
9/18/22	Sun				
9/19/22	Mon		Ladders		
9/20/22	Tue	CH 12	Search and Rescue		
9/21/22	Wed		Search and Rescue		
9/22/22	Thu	CH 13	Ventilation		
9/23/22	Fri	CH 13	Ventilation	Test 5, Chapters 6, 12, 13	
9/24/22	Sat				
9/25/22	Sun				
9/26/22	Mon	CH 14, 15	Water Supply Fire Hose, Applicances and Nozzles		
9/27/22	Tue	CH 16	Supply Line and Attack Line Evolutions		
9/28/22	Wed				
9/29/22	Thu				State Skills Test, Gene
9/30/22	Fri			Test 4, Chapters 8, 14, 15, 16	
10/1/22	Sat				
10/2/22	Sun				
10/3/22	Mon	CH 17	Fire Suppression		
10/4/22	Tue	CH 19	Salvage and Overhaul		
10/5/22	Wed	CH 21	Wildland and Ground Fires		
10/6/22	Thu		Live Fire		
10/7/22	Fri		Live Fire	Test 7, Chapters 7, 17, 19, 21	
10/8/22	Sat				
10/9/22	Sun				
10/10/22	Mon		Live Fire		

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10/11/22	Tue				State Skills Test Firegr State Skill Test Prepar
10/12/22	Wed		Review	Final FF-1	
10/13/22	Thu		Review		
10/14/22	Fri		State Test FF1, NFIRS		State Test Written, FF PT Test 2
10/15/22	Sat				
10/16/22	Sun				
10/17/22	Mon	CH 22	Establishing and Transferring Comand		
10/18/22	Tue	CH 23	Advanced Fire Suppression		
10/19/22	Wed	CH 24	Vehicle Rescue and Extrication		
10/20/22	Thu		Drill Field exercises	Test 1, Chapters 22, 23	State Skills Test, Com
10/21/22	Fri				
10/22/22	Sat		Vehicle Rescue		
10/23/22	Sun				
10/24/22	Mon	CH 25	Assisting Special Rescue Teams	Test 2, Chapter 24	
10/25/22	Tue	CH 25	Assisting Special Rescue Teams		State Skills Test, Rescu General
10/26/22	Wed	CH 26	Fire Detection, Suppression, and Smoke Control Systems		
10/27/22	Thu	CH 27	Fire and Life Safety Initiatives		
10/28/22	Fri	CH 28	Fire Origin and Cause	Test 3, Chapters 25, 26, 27	
10/29/22	Sat				
10/30/22	Sun				
10/31/22	Mon		Live Fire		
11/1/22	Tue		Live Fire		State Skills Test, Prepa
11/2/22	Wed				

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11/3/22	Thu		Live Fire	Test 4, Chapter 28, Review	State Skills Test, Fireg
11/4/22	Fri			FF-II Final	PT Test 3
11/5/22	Sat				
11/6/22	Sun				
11/7/22	Mon				
11/8/22	Tue				
11/9/22	Wed	CH01	Hazardous Materials Regulations, Standards and Laws		FFII State Test
11/10/22	Thu				
11/11/22	Fri				
11/12/22	Sat				
11/13/22	Sun				
11/14/22	Mon	CH02	Recognizing and Identifying the Hazards		
11/15/22	Tue	CH03	Awareness Level Actions		
11/16/22	Wed	CH04	Estimating Potential Harm and Planning a Response		State Skills Test Aware
11/17/22	Thu	CH05	Implementing the Planned Response Hazardous Materials Responder Health and Safety		
11/18/22	Fri	CH06	Personal Protective Equipment		
11/19/22	Sat				
11/20/22	Sun				
11/21/22	Mon	CH07	Product Control		
11/22/22	Tue	CH08	Terrorist Attacks		PT Final

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11/23/22	Wed				
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11/26/22	Sat				
11/27/22	Sun				
11/28/22	Mon	CH09			
11/29/22	Tue	CH10			State Skills Test OPS, C
11/30/22	Wed		AW/Ops Final, Review		
12/1/22	Thu				
12/2/22	Fri				State Test



ACADEMIC RESOURCES/POLICIES

Accommodations/ADA Statement:

Any student who is a qualified individual with a disability may request reasonable accommodations to assist with providing equal access to educational opportunities. Students should contact the Accommodations Coordinator as soon as possible to provide documentation and make necessary arrangements. Once that process is completed, appropriate verification will be provided to the student and instructor. Please note that instructors are not required to provide classroom accommodations to students until appropriate verification has been provided by the Accommodations Coordinator. For additional information, please visit www.mclennan.edu/disability.

Students with questions or who require assistance with disabilities involving physical, classroom, or testing accommodations should contact:

disabilities@mclennan.edu

254-299-8122

Room 319, Student Services Center

Title IX:

We care about your safety, and value an environment where students and instructors can successfully teach and learn together. If you or someone you know experiences unwelcomed behavior, we are here to help. Individuals who would like to report an incident of sexual misconduct are encouraged to immediately contact the Title IX Coordinator at titleix@mclennan.edu or by calling Dr. Drew Canham (Chief of Staff for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion/Title IX) at (254) 299-8645. Individuals also may contact the MCC Police Department at 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at MCC at (254) 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a confidential resource for students. Any student or employee may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting <http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/>.

Go to McLennan's Title IX webpage at www.mclennan.edu/titleix/. It contains more information about definitions, reporting, confidentiality, resources, and what to do if you or someone you know is a victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence.

Student Support/Resources:

MCC provides a variety of services to support student success in the classroom and in your academic pursuits to include counseling, tutors, technology help desk, advising, financial aid, etc. A listing of these and the many other services available to our students is available at <http://www.mclennan.edu/campus-resource-guide/>

College personnel recognize that food, housing, and transportation are essential for student success. If you are having trouble securing these resources or want to explore strategies for balancing life and school, we encourage you to contact a Success Coach by calling (254) 299-8226 or emailing SuccessCoach@mclennan.edu. Students may visit the Completion Center Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. to schedule a meeting with a Success Coach and receive additional resources and support to help reach academic and personal goals. Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) provides free food by appointment to students, faculty and staff based on household size. Text (254) 870-7573 to schedule a pantry appointment. The Completion Center and pantry are located on the Second Floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

MCC Foundation Emergency Grant Fund:

Unanticipated expenses, such as car repairs, medical bills, housing, or job loss can affect us all. Should an unexpected expense arise, the MCC Foundation has an emergency grant fund that may be able to assist you. Please go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html> to find out more about the emergency grant. The application can be found at https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency_Grant_Application.pdf.

MCC Academic Integrity Statement:

Go to www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity for information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating.

Minimum System Requirements to Utilize MCC's D2L|Brightspace:

Go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teaching-and-learning/Faculty-and-Staff-Commons/requirements.html> for information on the minimum system requirements needed to reliably access your courses in MCC's D2L|Brightspace learning management system.

Minimum Technical Skills:

Students should have basic computer skills, knowledge of word processing software, and a basic understanding of how to use search engines and common web browsers.

Backup Plan for Technology:

In the event MCC's technology systems are down, you will be notified via your MCC student email address. Please note that all assignments and activities will be due on the date specified in the Instructor Plan, unless otherwise noted by the instructor.

Email Policy:

McLennan Community College would like to remind you of the policy (<http://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf>) regarding college email. All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use their McLennan email addresses when conducting college business.

A student's McLennan email address is the preferred email address that college employees should use for official college information or business. Students are expected to read and, if needed, respond in a timely manner to college emails. For more information about your student email account, go to www.mclennan.edu/student-email.

Instructional Uses of Email:

Faculty members can determine classroom use of email or electronic communications. Faculty should expect and encourage students to check the college email on a regular basis. Faculty should inform students in the course syllabus if another communication method is to be used and of any special or unusual expectations for electronic communications.

If a faculty member prefers not to communicate by email with their students, it should be reflected in the course syllabus and information should be provided for the preferred form of communication.

Email on Mobile Devices:

The College recommends that you set up your mobile device to receive McLennan emails. If you need assistance with set-up, you may email Helpdesk@mclennan.edu for help.

You can find help on the McLennan website about connecting your McLennan email account to your mobile device:

- [Email Setup for iPhones and iPads](https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/set-up-an-outlook-account-in-the-ios-mail-app-b2de2161-cc1d-49ef-9ef9-81acd1c8e234?ui=en-us&rs=en-us&ad=us) (<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/set-up-an-outlook-account-in-the-ios-mail-app-b2de2161-cc1d-49ef-9ef9-81acd1c8e234?ui=en-us&rs=en-us&ad=us>)
- [Email Setup for Androids](https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/set-up-email-in-android-email-app-71147974-7aca-491b-978a-ab15e360434c?ui=en-us&rs=en-us&ad=us) (<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/set-up-email-in-android-email-app-71147974-7aca-491b-978a-ab15e360434c?ui=en-us&rs=en-us&ad=us>)

Forwarding Emails:

You may forward emails that come to your McLennan address to alternate email addresses; however, the College will not be held responsible for emails forwarded to an alternate address that may be lost or placed in junk or spam filters.

For more helpful information about technology at MCC, go to [MCC's Tech Support Cheat Sheet](#) or email helpdesk@mclennan.edu.

Disclaimer:

The resources and policies listed above are merely for informational purposes and are subject to change without notice or obligation. The College reserves the right to change policies and other requirements in compliance with State and Federal laws. The provisions of this document do not constitute a contract.