

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT (GE) INFORMATION
FOR
FIRE SCIENCE

1) The following links will provide general information that is available on the Crowder College website describing the general nature of the program, academic information or admission information:

a) General information – None Available

b) The program of study can be found in the College catalog. The index at the end of the catalog can be used to locate each program.

http://www.crowder.edu/CATALOGS/catalog_2011_2012_20110407.pdf

c) Admissions information

<http://www.crowder.edu/student-services/admissions/index.php>

d) MSSU- Joplin and some municipal fire departments offers the Firefighter 1 and 2 classes needed for the degree.

2) This program prepares students to enter the following occupations (by name and SOC code).

a) The Occupational Network (O*Net) has developed an online database that analyzes hundreds of occupations in terms of the tasks that they perform, the tools and technologies that are used in that occupation, the educational requirements of that program and wage and employment trends for the program at the state and national level. You can access this data base online at:

O*NET Online - <http://www.onetonline.org/>

You can search for a specific occupation by entering key words (e.g. CNA or Wind) or by using the SOC code (Standard Occupational Classification) in the Occupation Search dialog box.

b) Here is an O*NET link to an occupation that is especially relevant to Crowder's geographic region:

33-2011-01 [Municipal Fire Fighter](#)

3) The anticipated costs for this program include the following:

- a) This program will require 31 credits of college coursework and will normally take 4 semesters to complete due to the sequencing of the classes. The Fire Fighter 1 and 2 classes must come from a state approved training program. The tuition rates and fees will depend on your legal residency: in-district, out-of-district and out-of-state. The current tuition rates and fees can be found in the online catalog:

Tuition rates and fees - <http://www.crowder.edu/about/tuition-rates.php>

Additional fees include:

- Facility use fee - \$12/cr hr
- Online fee - \$14/cr hr (this fee applies to courses taken via the internet)
- Flex fee - \$7/cr hr (this fee applies to courses that have some internet-based instruction and some face-to-face instruction)
- Special laboratory or clinical fee – The Fire Fighter 1 and 2 courses are offered at some area Fire Departments such as Carl Junction for around \$300. It is also offered at MSSU for a cost of around \$800,
- Books and supplies – Books will average around \$30.00 per course with the buy-back refund from the bookstore.
- Technical Skills Assessment (TSA) – (Fire Fighter 1 and 2) The TSA fee is listed in the cost breakout section and is considered an average.

For example, based on the 2011-2012 catalog, an in-district student who took 30 credits during the year, 6 of which were online, would incur the following tuition, fee and other expenses:

Tuition	25cr @ \$73/cr	\$1825
Facility use fee	25cr @ \$12/cr	\$300
Online fee	6cr @ \$14/cr	\$84
Books & supplies		\$435
Special laboratory/clinical		None
Technical Skills Assessment (Fire Fighter 1 and 2)		\$550

- b) Room & board – On-campus residence is not required for this program. For information on Housing go to:
<http://www.crowder.edu/student-services/student-local-housing.php>
- c) Certification or Licensure examination – Fire Fighter 1 & 2 is required but we cannot control those costs since we are currently not offering them. See the previous information.
- 4) Job placement rates for students completing the program – We have provided a link to data that details the success of our graduating students in finding employment relevant to the various GE programs.

<http://www.crowder.edu/gainfulemployment.php>