

Public Safety Semester Overview

This course introduces students to careers in criminal justice, law enforcement, fire protection, emergency response services, and other related career areas. Students will learn about public safety careers through engagement in classroom and laboratory activities modeled after real-world work assignments, scenarios, and problems. Strong emphasis will be placed on written and verbal communication skills, mathematical applications, problem solving, ethics, accountability, and cultural diversity. Public safety professionals and post-secondary instructors will guest lecture to discuss aspects of their respective careers enabling students to make a more informed career choice.

Prerequisite: Introduction to Public Services Grade Level: 9th - 12th

Semester Only Course		
Unit 1: Introduction to Public Safety	 History of the Public Service Fields Emergency Management Fire Science EMT/Paramedic Police Science Expectations with the Public Service Fields Career requirements Emergency Management Fire Science EMT/Paramedic Police Science 	
Unit 2: Emergency Management	 Historical Content Civil Defense Natural Disaster Natural & Technical Hazards Risk Assessment Impediments Preparedness Cycle/Emergency Operation Plan Evacuation/Equipment/Education Communication Planning Incoming/Outgoing Emergency Management:Response/Recovery Local/State/Federal International Disaster Management United Nations Government vs. Non-Government Emergency Management & Terrorist Threat Homeland Security 	
Unit 3: Fire Science	 Role Firefighter Knowledge of roles Risk Fire Science 	



	 Chemistry Fire Classifications Characteristics Tools of Grade Personnel Equipment Communication Extrication Tools/Equipment/Forcible entry Suppression/Water Supply/Hose Search & Rescue/Special Teams Operations Primary/Secondary Search Vehicle rescue Wildland Factors Suppression Safety Fire Safety Detection/Suppression Fire Safety Planning Fire Investigation Legal Authority Point of Origin Arson Classification
Unit 4: Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic	 Role of EMT/Paramedic Qualifications Certifications/Training level Patient Assessment Arriving on Scene Administrating care/Getting help Communication Hospital Report/Handoff Documentation Medical & Legal Issues Consent/Advance Directives Good Samaritan Law First Aid & Medical Knowledge Anatomy & Physiology Injury Management Head, Neck, & Spine Respiratory/Cardio First Aid



Unit 5: Police Science	 Role of Law Enforcement Knowledge Role Risks Patrol Information & Tactics Traffic/DUI Officer Safety Response to Suspicious Packages Communication Special Divisions K-9/Drug Task Force Investigations/Detective S.W.A.T. Traffic Juvenile Officer Corrections Jail vs. Prison Probation Parole
Unit 6: Forensic Science	 Role of Forensic Investigation Knowledge of Roles Crime Scene Investigation Lab based work (Forensic) C.S.I. & Forensic Science Crime Scene Autopsy Human Identification Crime Labs

★ Semester 1: 18 weeks, 72 student contact days

★ Semester 2: 20 weeks, 82 student contact days