

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE  
SYLLABUS

## FSC 201 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

Credit Hours: 3 Lec: 3

PREREQUISITE: FSC 152 and MAT 105 or higher

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course provides information relating to the features of design and operation of fire alarm systems; water-based fire suppression systems, special hazard fire suppression systems, water supply for fire protection and portable fire extinguishers.

1. COURSE GOALS

- 1.1 Identify and describe various types of fire protection systems
- 1.2 Describe the basic elements of a public water system as it relates to fire protection

2. OUTCOMES

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 2.1 explain the benefits of fire protection systems in various types of structures.
- 2.2 describe the basic elements of a public water supply system including sources, distribution networks, piping and hydrants.
- 2.3 explain why water is a commonly used extinguishing agent.
- 2.4 identify the different types and components of sprinklers, standpipe and foam systems.
- 2.5 review residential and commercial sprinkler legislation.
- 2.6 identify the different types of non-water based fire suppression systems.
- 2.7 explain the components of a fire alarm system.
- 2.8 identify the different types of detectors and explain how they detect fire.
- 2.9 describe the hazards of smoke and list the four factors that can influence smoke movement in a building.
- 2.10 discuss the appropriate application of fire protection systems.
- 2.11 explain the operation and appropriate application for the different types of portable fire protection systems.

3. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

- 3.1 Lecture
- 3.2 Instructional technology
- 3.3 Classroom exercises and simulations

4. LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- 4.1 Lectures
- 4.2 Demonstrations
- 4.3 Presentations
- 4.4 Practical applications
- 4.5 Class discussions

5. EVALUATION

- 5.1 Written evaluations
- 5.2 Assignments

### 5.3 Class participation

## 6. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 Under AWC Policy, students are expected to attend every session of class in which they are enrolled.
- 6.2 If a student is unable to attend the course or must drop the course for any reason, it will be the responsibility of the student to withdraw from the course. Students who are not attending as of the 45th day of the course may be withdrawn by the instructor. If the student does not withdraw from the course and fails to complete the requirements of the course, the student will receive a failing grade.
- 6.3 Americans with Disabilities Act Accommodations: Arizona Western College provides academic accommodations to students with disabilities through AccessABILITY Resource Services (ARS). ARS provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students who have documented disabilities. It is the responsibility of the student to make the ARS Coordinator aware of the need for accommodations in the classroom prior to the beginning of the semester. Students should follow up with their instructors once the semester begins. To make an appointment call the ARS front desk at (928) 344-7674 or ARS Coordinator at (928) 344-7629, in the College Community Center (3C) building, next to Advising.
- 6.4 Academic Integrity: Any student participating in acts of academic dishonesty—including, but not limited to, copying the work of other students, using unauthorized “crib notes”, plagiarism, stealing tests, or forging an instructor’s signature—will be subject to the procedures and consequences outlined in AWC’s Student Code of Conduct.
- 6.5 Texts and Notebooks: Students are required to obtain the class materials for the course.
- 6.6 Arizona Western College students are expected to attend every class session in which they are enrolled. To comply with Federal Financial Aid regulations (34 CFR 668.21), Arizona Western College (AWC) has established an Attendance Verification process for “No Show” reporting during the first 10 days of each semester.  
Students who have enrolled but have never attended class may be issued a “No Show” (NS) grade by the professor or instructor and receive a final grade of “NS” on their official academic record. An NS grade may result in a student losing their federal financial aid.  
For online classes, *student attendance in an online class is defined as the following* (FSA Handbook, 2012, 5-90):
- Submitting an academic assignment
  - Taking an exam, an interactive tutorial or computer-assisted instruction
  - Attending a study group that is assigned by the school
  - Participating in an online discussion about academic matters
  - Initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course