



The Maine Fire Protection Services Commission

FIRE and EMS (Emergency Medical Service) Heroes Needed!

Are you a hands-on person looking for a career that makes a difference in people's lives? Firefighters and EMT's respond and help their neighbors on their worst day.

You can be job-ready in as little as two years.

How can you get more information on these career fields?

1. Consider joining your local fire/EMS department. They may be able to help fund your training and education. Find a local non-emergency number, or email your contact info to: JoinME@webmaster_FMO@Maine.gov

2. Apply to a community college public safety program. Check out their websites:

Eastern Maine Community College in Bangor:

www.emcc.edu/academics/programs/programs-of-study/fire-science-technology/
contact: Elizabeth Doyle, Department Chair at edoyle@emcc.edu

Southern Maine Community College in So. Portland:

www.smccme.edu/public-safety or visit
my.smccme.edu/ICS/Academic_Departments/Fire_Science/
contact: Steve Willis, Department Chair at swillis@smccme.edu

3. **STRONGLY** consider participating in the college's LIVE-IN FIREFIGHTER program. Live-in students stay for free at local fire/EMS stations (NO dorm fees!), receive free training (state and national certifications), and are paid for responding to emergencies. You may graduate with no student loan debt! Successful completion of a degree as a live-in will help put you at the top of the hiring list when you apply to a fire department. Most firefighter jobs provide a 25 year guaranteed-benefit retirement option.

These associate degree programs help students develop state of the art skills and knowledge for professional fire protection, and guide them to become career-ready.

What are you waiting for?