

Fire and Emergency Services Administration

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Fire and Emergency Services Administration



COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
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Overview

A bachelor's degree in fire and emergency services administration can set you apart and increase your opportunities for promotions. Most high-level positions, including company officer, lieutenant, captain, district officer, battalion chief, deputy chief, and department chief officer, require a bachelor's degree at minimum. These positions require you to think critically and strategically. Earning your degree helps you develop a broad knowledge base that will aid your decision making in a variety of complex situations.

Gain strategic leadership skills

This online emergency and fire administration degree program challenges you to develop knowledge and abilities that will serve you in your career and in your life. By teaching you to effectively communicate, think critically, and lead strategically, it provides a broad spectrum of insight that sets you up for success regardless of where you are in your career — be it at the entry or senior level.

Through case studies and analysis, this program challenges you to effectively integrate academic knowledge into administrative and managerial roles, collaborate with peers to solve organizational problems, and apply your knowledge, skills, and competencies to fire and emergency service situations. Courses taught by experienced practitioners in the field help you develop skills that can be applied directly to your job. Improve your knowledge and skills in:

- Personnel administration
- Financial management
- Emergency management
- Program evaluation

The Learning Experience

Coursework builds upon your technical training and provides you with knowledge in emergency services management, personnel administration, finance, and program development and evaluation. Prior experience in fire and emergency services is strongly recommended.

While the degree can be completed in two years, most students in this degree program require three to four years, taking an average of two courses per semester. Although this degree offers flexibility, it still requires the same amount of work and time as an on-campus program. It is recommended to spend nine to twelve hours per week on a three-credit course. This will vary depending on your learning and studying style.

Delivery

Online

Credits

120 credits

Previous college credits must be transferred into the program

Tuition

\$476 per credit

- Includes [Student Services](#)
- [Fees](#) assessed separately
- [Financial aid](#) is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame

Can be completed in 2 years

Completion requirements

- A minimum of 120 credits are required to complete this degree. This includes 42 upper-division (300-400 level) credits and 30 upper-division credits completed through Colorado State University
- You must take the 11 core FESA courses for a total of 37 credits
- The remainder of the credits needed for graduation can be satisfied with transfer coursework and electives

More info

online.colostate.edu/degrees/fire-services

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How to Apply

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Application Deadlines

Fall semester: **August 1**

Spring semester: **January 1**

Summer semester: **May 1**

1 Review Admission Requirements

- Previous college credit must be transferred into the online anthropology bachelor's degree completion program, and minimum credits required can vary depending on previous coursework completed.
- 2.0 cumulative GPA (2.5 cumulative GPA preferred) from all coursework previously completed
- Satisfy [admission requirement in mathematics](#)
- High school graduation or equivalent

Degree completion program applicants are held to the same [University admission standards](#) as applicants for on-campus degree programs.

2 Complete Online Application

Complete Colorado State University's [online undergraduate application](#) and pay the \$50 nonrefundable application processing fee (payable online).

- Select "Fire and Emergency Services Administration—online degree program" when choosing major.

Online applications must be submitted before 5 p.m. (Mountain Time) on the deadline date. If you miss the application deadline, you may still register for courses to begin your program of study as a non-degree student. Students seeking Federal financial aid must be admitted prior to enrolling.

3 Apply for Financial Aid

If you wish to apply for Federal financial aid, please complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#). Additional [financial aid information](#) is also available.

Check Your Application Status

View your [application status](#) at any time to ensure your application checklist is complete or to check on updates. Admissions decisions are made on a rolling basis and may take up to six weeks during high volume application periods.

