



**Articulation Agreement between Eastern Oregon University’s
Fire Services Administration Program
and
Volunteer State Community College
Fire Science Program**

The parties to this Articulation Agreement are Volunteer State Community College, 1480 Nashville Pike, Gallatin, TN 37066, hereinafter referred to as “VSCC” and EASTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY, 1 University Blvd, La Grande, OR 97850, hereinafter referred to as “EOU.”

Fire Service Administration Bachelor of Science Degree

Eastern Oregon University’s Bachelor of Science in Fire Service Administration is a liberal arts program designed to give students a strong theoretical background in fire department administration. Graduates in this degree will be prepared for graduate programs in the areas of business administration, public administration, and fire administration. This degree program is offered entirely online and some courses are occasionally available as 2- or 3-day hybrid/onsite courses at various locations in Oregon in cooperation with the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST).

To earn an EOU baccalaureate degree, students must complete the University Graduation Requirements (UGRs) and the program requirements as outlined for each specific major. A complete checklist for EOU’s Fire Service Administration Degree can be downloaded from: <https://www.eou.edu/fire-services-administration/>

Students can meet equivalency for subject areas without having taken specific equivalent courses through several options including, but not limited to: NFA or NFPA courses, equivalent courses from other institutions, submission of training records, and/or certifications such as Fire Officer I, etc. Evaluation of equivalency is based upon established, and publicly available, NFA or NFPA training and educational guidelines. The FSA Program Chair will make a final determination of applicability of any proposed equivalency credits.

Specific program content will be reviewed annually, and curriculum changes by either institution must be communicated to the partner institution in writing no later than June 30th of each academic year.

Each partner assumes responsibility for informing their students of curricular revisions that would impact student planning and/or degree completion. In event that the

graduation requirements for Bachelor's degree with the Fire Service Administration Major from EOU change within the term of this agreement, the standards and practices that have been established by EOU to cover such a change will apply to articulating students.

Either party may terminate or suspend this Agreement for convenience upon six (6) months written notice; provided, however, that the parties shall discuss and reasonably attempt to resolve the issues that led to the notice of termination or suspension during the sixty (60) day period. Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement, any students who have applied for transfer from VSCC to EOU prior to or during the six (6) month period shall be treated as if this Agreement continues to be in effect.

Admission to EOU is not guaranteed. Students shall apply for admission to EOU in accordance with the then-existing rules, policies, and procedures of EOU.

This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No waiver, consent, modification or change of terms of this agreement shall bind either part unless in writing and signed by both parties. Such waiver, consent, modification, or change, if made, shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose given. There are no understandings, agreements or representations, oral or written, not specified herein regarding this agreement.

Non-Exclusivity. This Agreement is not exclusive, and either party may enter into similar agreements with any other party.

Non-discrimination. The parties agree to comply with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Executive Order 11,246, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the related regulations to each. Each party assures that it will not discriminate against any individual including, but not limited to, employees or applicants for employment and/or students because of race, color, religion, creed, ethnic or national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, disability, age (as applicable), status as a covered veteran, genetic information, and any other category protected by federal or state civil rights law. The parties shall, upon request, show proof of such nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.

The parties also agree to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during their employment without regard to their race, religion, creed, color, sex, age, disability, veteran status, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection available to employees and applicants for employment.

Confidentiality of Records. All educational records created, disclosed, or maintained pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are confidential and shall be created, disclosed,

and maintained pursuant to the provisions of Family Educational Right to Privacy Act, also known as FERPA (20 U.S.C.A. s1232g) and its regulations.

Data Privacy. “Personal Information” means information provided to Contractor by or at the direction of Institution, or to which access was provided to Contractor by or at the direction of Institution, in the course of Contractor’s performance under this Agreement that:

1. Identifies or can be used to identify an individual (including, without limitation, names, signatures, addresses, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses and other unique identifiers); or
2. Can be used to authenticate an individual (including, without limitation, employee identification numbers, government-issued identification numbers, passwords or PINs, financial account numbers, credit report information, biometric or health data, answers to security questions and other personal identifiers).

Contractor represents and warrants that its collection, access, use, storage, disposal and disclosure of Personal Information complies with all applicable federal and state privacy and data protection laws, including without limitation, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (“GLBA”); the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (“HIPAA”); the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (“FERPA”) of 1974 (20 U.S.C.1232g), the FTC’s Red Flag Rules and any applicable federal or state laws, as amended ,together with regulations promulgated thereunder. Some Personal Information provided by Institution to Contractor is subject to FERPA

Additional information regarding Eastern Oregon University’s Fire Service Administration program is available on line at <https://www.eou.edu/fire-services-administration/> and through the EOU FSA Program Chair, (541) 962-3373 or through our FSA satellite office in Portland, OR, (503) 978-5498 and also via email at kwalker@eou.edu.

General University Graduation Requirements

- **180** – minimum credits required to graduate from EOU
- **60** – minimum credits of upper division (300 & 400 level) credits required to graduate from EOU
- **60** – General Education Core credits required to graduate from EOU (see <https://www.eou.edu/registrar/gened/>)
- **45** – minimum credits must be earned from EOU
- **135** – maximum credits that can be transferred to EOU from accredited institutions
- **12** – maximum career and technical education (CTE) elective credits that can be transferred (Fire program credits are exempted)
- **“C-“** – the minimum grade required in courses used to satisfy both Program and General Education requirements

******With rare exceptions, non-articulated fire science courses will transfer to EOU as lower division transfer (LDT) elective courses per the EOU registrar’s office.******

**RECOMMENDED GENERAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK AT VOLUNTEER
STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO MEET EASTERN OREGON
UNIVERSITY'S GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.**

*Other VSCC courses may substitute if they meet the same EOU general education
category*

I. REQUIRED Liberal Arts Courses (15-16 semester credits required at VSCC)

VSCC Coursework		EOU Credits	
Course#	Semester Credits	Category	Quarter Credits
MUS 1030 Introduction to Music OR ART 1035 Introduction to Art OR ENGL 2860 Introduction to Film	3	Aesthetics and Humanities (AEH) (6-20 credits, in at least two disciplines)	4.5
ORTHEA 1030 Introduction to Theatre OR ENGL 2300 Creative Writing OR ART 1045 Drawing I	3	Artistic Process and Creation (APC) (6-20 credits, in at least two disciplines)	4.5
MATH 1530 Introductory Statistics OR ASTR 1030 Astronomy OR PSCI 1030 Survey of Physical Sciences	3 4	Natural, Mathematical and Info Sciences (SMI) (6-20 credits, in at least two disciplines, including at least one physical or biological science.)	4.5 6
PSYC 1030 Introduction to Psychology OR SOCI 1010 Introduction to Sociology OR POLS 1030 American Government	3	Social Sciences (SSC) (6-20 credits, in at least two disciplines)	4.5
ENGL 1010 English Composition I AND COMM 2045 Public Speaking	6	Gateway Experience (GTW)	9
TOTAL	18-22		27-33*

*27-33 additional quarter credits (18-22 semester credits) are needed to complete the 60 require credits for EOU's General Education requirements:

<https://www.eou.edu/registrar/gec-list/>

Optional: Additional courses listed below can be completed at VSCC to count towards EOU General Education credits:

VSCC Coursework	Semester Credits	EOU Credits	Quarter Credits
AGRI 1020 OR 1030	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
ART 1035 OR 2000	3	Aesthetics & Humanities (AEH)	4.5
ART 1045 OR 1340	3	Art Process/Creation (APC)	4.5
ASTR 1030	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
BIOL 1010 OR 1020 OR 1050	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
CHEM 1110 OR 1120	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
COMM 2025 OR 2045 OR 2090	3	Gateway Experience (GTW)	4.5
ECON 2100 OR 2200	3	Social Sciences (SSC)	4.5
ENGL1010 OR 1020	3	Gateway Experience (GTW)	4.5
ENGL 2045 OR 2860	3	Aesthetics & Humanities (AEH)	4.5
ENGL 2300	3	Art Process/Creation (APC)	4.5
GEOG 1012	3	Social Sciences (SSC)	4.5
GEOG 1015	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
GEO 1030 OR 1040	4	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
HIST2010/2020/2310/2320	3	Social Sciences (SSC)	4.5
HUM 2990	3	Aesthetics & Humanities (AEH)	4.5
MATH 1530	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
MUS 1002 OR 1030	3	Aesthetics & Humanities (AEH)	4.5
PHIL 1030 OR 1040 OR 2200	3	Aesthetics & Humanities (AEH)	4.5
PHYS 1030	4	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
POLS 1010 OR 1030	3	Social Sciences (SSC)	4.5
PSCI 1030	3	Nat/Math/Info Sciences (SMI)	4.5
PSYC 1030	3	Social Sciences (SSC)	4.5
SOCI 1010 OR 1040	3	Social Sciences (SSC)	4.5
SPAN 1010 OR 1020	3	Aesthetics & Humanities (AEH)	4.5
THEA 1015 OR 1025 OR 1030	3	Art Process/Creation (APC)	4.5
Courses listed above not used for VSCC degree requirements	18-22 Needed	Appropriate category as listed above	27-33 Needed

**Lower Division Course Equivalencies for the Fire Services Administration Program
How Credits Transfer to EOU**

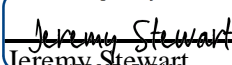
<u>Volunteer State Community College</u> LOWER DIVISION Equivalent Program Courses		
<i>Course Number</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Credits at VSCC</i>
FIRE 1310	Principles of Emergency Services	3
FIRE 2310	Fire Protection Systems	3
FIRE 2330	Fire Behavior and Combustion	3
FIRE 2325	Fire Protection Hydraulics and Water Supply	3

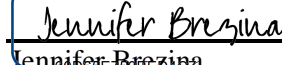
<u>Eastern Oregon University</u> LOWER DIVISION Required Subjects		
<i>Course Number</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Transfer Credits to EOU</i>
FSA202	Principles of Emergency Services	4.5
FSA204	Fire Protection Systems	4.5
FSA206	Fire Behavior and Combustion	4.5
FSA208	Fire Protection Hydraulics and Water Supply	4.5

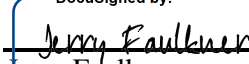
FIRE 2335	Strategy and Tactics	3	FSA210	Strategy and Tactics	4.5
FIRE 1330	Fire Prevention	3	FSA212	Fire Prevention	4.5
FIRE 2320	Building Construction for Fire Protection	3	FSA214	Building Construction for Fire Protection	4.5
FIRE 1320	Principles of Fire and Emergency Services Safety and Survival	3	FSA216	Principles of Emergency Services, Safety and Survival	4.5
Total Quarter Credits at EOU		24	Total		36

60 hours additional upper division EOU coursework required, including program requirements and upper division elective coursework. 180 total quarter credits required for graduation.

For Volunteer State Community College,

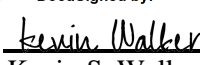
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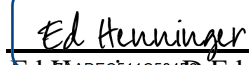
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