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TENNESSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Q What is a fire fighter?

A A fire fighter is an entry-level position in fire fighting work where employees combat, extinguish, and prevent fires. Their primary responsibility is for the protection of life and property through fire fighting activities.

Q What duties does a fire fighter perform?

A Fire fighters may perform such duties as:

- Respond to fire alarms and other disasters
- Work with equipment such as hoses, nozzles, ladders and other related equipment
- Assist in the inspection of buildings for fire hazards and compliance with fire prevention laws
- Remove persons from dangerous situations
- Administer first aid to injured victims
- Perform salvage operations
- Maintenance of equipment and quarters

Q Where does a fire fighter work?

A A fire fighter may work in:

- City government
- County government
- Department of Agriculture
- Federal government
- Volunteer fire department

Q What is the income potential for a fire fighter?

A Income varies depending on the department and region where a fire fighter works. The U.S. median income is \$34,700 and the median income for the Memphis Metropolitan area is \$40,500.

Q What will the fire science degree allow me to do?

A Earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree at Southwest and enter the job market immediately.

Q What is Southwest's employment rate for graduates of the fire science program?

A Southwest's employment rate for fire fighters generally exceeds 85 percent each year.





Q Why choose the fire science program at Southwest?

- A**
- Fully accredited programs by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
 - Small classes for more personalized attention
 - Flexible class schedules available at multiple campuses, centers, sites; and distance learning opportunities
 - Affordable tuition
 - Support services, including career counseling, free tutoring and career services, financial aid, job opportunity assistance and on-site child care services

Accountancy, Office
Administration and Career Studies
(901) 333-4150
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Q How do I apply for admission to Southwest?

- A**
- Complete application for Southwest.
 - Submit your application and pay \$5 application fee to Bursar's Office.
 - Request that an "official" copy of your high school/GED scores, college transcript(s) be sent to:
Southwest Tennessee Community College
P.O. Box 780, Memphis, TN 38101-0780
 - Apply for financial aid (if applicable).
 - Complete testing requirements.
 - Complete new student orientation, either online or on campus.
 - Review the College's academic calendar or printed schedule of classes for registration dates, times and locations.
 - Meet with academic advisor.
 - Register for classes online, via TRAVIS or in person.
 - Pay your fees or ensure that your financial aid is in place for your course.

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