

Appendix

Georgia Public Safety Training Center Georgia Fire Academy (GFA) Courses	GFA Contact Hours	Columbia Southern University (CSU) Undergraduate Course Equivalency*	CSU Credit Hours*
NPQ Certification Programs			
Fire Officer I Curriculum: <i>(Equal to NPQ Fire Officer I certification)</i> Acting Officer in Charge	32	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	2
Transitional and Interpersonal Leadership Training	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Fire Department Supervision	40	FIR 4302 Fire Service Personnel Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Fire Department Supervision and Fire Department Management must be combined for credit.</i> • <i>Cannot be awarded individually.</i> 	3
Fire Officer II Curriculum: <i>(Equal to NPQ Fire Officer II certification)</i> Fire Department Management	80		
Fire Officer III Curriculum: <i>(Equal to NPQ Fire Officer III certification)</i> Fire Department Administrator	64	FIR 4303 Fire and Emergency Services Administration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Fire Department Administrator and Fire Department Executive must be combined for credit.</i> • <i>Cannot be awarded individually.</i> 	3
Fire Officer IV Curriculum: <i>(Equal to NPQ Fire Officer IV certification)</i> Fire Department Executive	48		
Arson/Fire Investigator Curriculum: <i>(Modules I/II equal to NPQ Arson or Fire Investigator certification)</i> Arson Investigation Level I: Fire Investigator - Module I	80	FIRE 4305 Fire Investigation and Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Levels I/II must be combined for credit.</i> • <i>Cannot be awarded individually.</i> 	3
Arson Investigation Level II: Fire Investigator - Module II	80		
Fire Inspector I <i>(Previously Georgia Fire Inspector Level I Modules I/II)</i>	80	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Fire Inspector II	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Fire and Life Safety Educator I	32	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	2

Hazardous Materials Technician	80	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Fire Instructor I	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Fire Instructor II	48	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Basic Firefighter Training Curriculum: Basic Firefighter Training (Equal to NPQ Firefighter I and State of Georgia Certified Firefighter)	356	FIR 2301 Principles of Fire and Emergency Services	3
Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations – Core (Equal to NPQ Hazardous Materials Responder at the Awareness Level and Hazardous Materials Responder at the Core Operations Level certification)	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Courses worth 1 semester hour each if submitted individually. 	2
Structural Fire Control	16	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Interior Search and Rescue	16	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Other Courses			
Basic Volunteer Firefighter with Live Fire	95	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Chief Fire Officer Orientation Day 1	8	No Credit	-
Chief Fire Officer Orientation Day 2	8	No Credit	-
Chief Fire Officer Orientation Day 3	8	No Credit	-
Chief Fire Officer Orientation Day 4	8	No Credit	-
Community Risk Reduction for Company Officers	2	No Credit	-
Conducting Effective Performance Appraisals	1	No Credit	-
Crash Victim Extrication I	16	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Fire Alarm and Suppression Systems	24	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Fire and Life Safety Trailer Operator	6	No Credit	-

Fire Apparatus Emergency Vehicle Operations Course	24	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Fire Investigations: First Responders	16	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Fire Origin and Cause Determination for Company Officers	24	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Fire Service Plans Examiner	32	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	2
Fire Service Safety Culture: Who Protects Firefighters from Firefighters?	12	No Credit	-
Handling Flammable and Combustible Liquid Incidents	12	No Credit	-
Hazardous Materials Code Enforcement	48	OSH 2303 Hazardous Materials Safety	3
Initial Rope for the First Due Responder	16	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Introduction to Color/Honor Guard	28	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Introduction to Community Risk Reduction	8	No Credit	-
Introduction to Fire Inspector: Basic Principles and Practices of Fire Inspections	24	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Life Safety Code	24	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Pipeline Emergencies: Air Monitoring	4	No Credit	-
Pipeline Emergencies: Command Officer Strategies (PECOS)	4	No Credit	-
Practical Fire Ground Hydraulics	16	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Pressurized Container Fire Control	8	No Credit	-
Pressurized Container Live Fire Instructor	6	No Credit	-
Pump Service Testing	8	No Credit	-
Rescue Systems I: Fundamentals of Heavy Rescue	48	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Risk-Based Response to Battery Emergencies	8	No Credit	-
Structural Fire Control Instructor	24	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1

Succession Development - Preparing Candidates for Fire Chief	1	No Credit	-
Technical Rescue: Confined Space Techniques	32	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Technical Rescue: Core Qualifications	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Technical Rescue: Introduction to Technical Rescue	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Technical Rescue: Rope Techniques	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Technical Rescue: Structural Collapse Technician	80	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Technical Rescue: Trench Rescue Technician	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	1
Transitional and Interpersonal Leadership Training	40	Fire Program Electives or Open Electives	3
Volunteer Building Construction	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Fire and Life Safety Initiatives	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Fire Dynamics	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Fire Origin and Cause Determination	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Fire Suppression - Passenger Vehicle with Live Fire	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Firefighter Safety and Health	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Firefighter Survival Skills - Maze	1.5	No Credit	-
Volunteer Forcible Entry-Doors	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Ground Ladders	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Personal Protective Equipment	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Portable Fire Extinguishers	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Ropes and Knots	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Structural Search and Rescue-Maze	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Tactical Ventilation	3	No Credit	-
Volunteer Water Supply	3	No Credit	-

<i>NREMT or State License Required for First Responder Transfer Credit</i>			
First Responder	40	Open Electives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>No credit if EMT Basic or higher EMS license transferred.</i> 	1

* Course Equivalency/General Notes:

- Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations – Core certificates may only transfer for a maximum of 2 semester hours combined.
- Only the most advanced EMS certification may transfer to CSU degree program.
- Direct transfer credit for a CSU course requires the transfer course to be a minimum of 3 semester hours and credit may only transfer in multiples of 3 semester hours for the Program Electives category.
- Program Electives application dependent upon program director approval.
- Credit awarded is subject to degree requirements at the time of enrollment and current transfer credit policy, which are subject to change. Duplicate transfer credit is not permissible.
- CSU is in the process of converting to new course numbers and anticipates completion by the end of 2023.