

News from the Fire Science Office

September, 2009

Welcome back everyone to the upcoming Autumn quarter. Registration is now open for you to register for classes. Please do so before the first day of class and don't forget to order your books.

Textbooks for On Line FST Courses

All students should order their on line FST textbooks from our textbook provider, MBS (Missouri Book Supply Company). Call **(800) 325-3252** to order books. Have the course number (i.e. 32-FST-380 for Adv. Fire Administration) ready. Or go to www.mbsdirect.net **Look for the Virtual Bookstore and search for the University of Cincinnati.** Click the course number (i.e. 32-FST-380). **All on line books are available from MBS, not the UC Bookstore,** but you may also go to Amazon.com. Course guides are from the National Fire Academy and are *only* available through MBS. **Do not wait until the first week of classes; order your books before the quarter begins.**

*Some of the fire course books cannot be ordered and are not listed on the MBS UC list.
The instructor will have information on Blackboard regarding their courses.*

August and December Graduates

December commencement will be held Saturday, December 12, 2009.
All summer and fall associate, baccalaureate and master's grads will be invited.
Check www.uc.edu/commencement for more information.

Online Degree Application officially is live and available to both graduate and undergraduate students. The information page containing the application login is at http://www.uc.edu/commencement/online_graduation_app_information.html and currently one can reach the page either from the main Commencement site (<http://www.uc.edu/commencement/default.html>) or from the Registrar's Office page.

For the master calendar of Online Graduation Application opening and closing dates, refer to <https://www.uc.edu/commencement/appdates.aspx>

The Online Graduation Application is now accepting applications through October 2, 2009. Late applications will not be accepted.

The Online Graduation Application will collect a \$35.00 fee by credit card as part of the application process.

Don't forget to check under Information for Graduates to reserve your seat, assemble for commencement procession and cap, gown, and announcements.

March Residency 2010

The March residency will *most likely* be held March 21-25, 2010 some place in Florida.

Working Calendar of Important Dates 2009-2010 Academic Year

http://www.uc.edu/registrar/wkg_cal0910.html

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Please note that processing dates on this calendar are subject to change.

	09A Autumn Quarter 9/23/09 - 12/12/09	10W Winter Quarter 1/4/10- 3/20/10	10S Spring Quarter 3/29/10-6/12/10	10U Summer Quarter 6/21/10 -9/2/10
Class orders due	March 20	September 11	December 18	February 12
Changes for Schedule of Classes	March 27	September 18	December 23	February 19
Class Schedule online	March 30	September 21	December 28	February 22
Early Registration (First Groups)	April 23-26	October 15-18	January 21-24	n/a
Early Registration for Continuing Students	April 27 - May 25	October 19- November 22	January 25-February 21	n/a
Freshman Orientation/Registration	June 29-August 13	n/a	n/a	n/a
Assessed bills available	mid-August	late November	early March	late May
Open Web/In-person Registration	May 26-September 29	November 23 - January 10	February 22 - April 4	Web only- March 22 In-person - April 13
Payment due	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Classes begin	September 23	January 4	March 29	June 21
Registration/Adds/Late Fees				
Late reg/adds, no signatures if open	Sept. 23-29	January 4-10	March 29-April 4	June 21-27
Late reg/adds, signatures required	Beginning Sept. 30	Beginning January 11	Beginning April 5	Beginning June 28
\$25 late fee for new registrations	September 23-October 7	January 4-18	March 29-April 12	June 21- July 5
Late Registration Appeals Committee approval required for new registrations/ \$150 late fee assessed	Beginning October 8	Beginning January 19	Beginning April 13	Beginning July 6
Drops/Withdrawals				
Last day to drop <i>(no entry on record)</i>	October 7	January 18	April 12	July 5
Withdrawal period <i>("W" or "F" on record)</i>	Begins October 8	Begins January 19	Begins April 13	Begins July 6
Participation indication required by instructor on-line.				
Last day to withdraw	November 19	March 2	May 25	August 17
Refund Schedule				
100% refund period	Through Sept. 30	Through January 11	Through April 5	Through June 28
50% refund period	October 1-7	January 12-18	April 6-12	June 29 - July 5
No refund	Beginning October 8	Beginning January 19	Beginning April 13	Beginning July 6
OBR count/official statistics (close of business)	October 7	January 18	April 12	July 5
Last day of classes	December 6	March 14	June 4	August 27
Examination period	December 7-12	March 15-20	June 5-10	August 28 - September 2
Quarter ends; Graduation date	December 12	March 20	June 12	September 2
Final Grades Due by 5:00 pm	December 16	March 24	June 16	varies

FST Program

Any FST course that has a section number of 707 is an on line course even though it doesn't say correspondence on Onestop.

We have a new course evaluation form on our web site under Forms.

If, after a year, you haven't taken a class you will most likely be exited out of the program and won't be able to register. You will have to fill out a re-admit form, at www.onestop.uc.edu under forms, to get you back into the program.

Please get pre-approval for courses you plan on taking at another college

Fire & EMS and Safety Newsletter

Larry Bennett writes a free Fire and EMS and Safety Law newsletter which you can self-sign up online at www.uc.edu/cas/firescience

Update on E-Mails and Addresses

It is very important that we keep the e-mail list up-to-date. If you have a change, please contact the Fire Science Office.

Congratulations to Bill Kramer on his retirement!

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