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Curriculum: [Fire Prevention: Management](#) [Fire Prevention: Public Education](#)

TRAINING SPECIALIST

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DELIVERY TYPE

6-day on-campus

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

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ACE RECOMMENDATION

There is not an American Council on Education credit recommendation for this course.

This 6-day course provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to identify children and adolescents involved in firesetting.

The course addresses how to establish programs to meet the needs of these youths and their families. Skills essential to meet the Youth Firesetting Intervention Professional Standard which is part of National Fire Protection Association 1035, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire and Life Safety Educator, Public Information Officer, and Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist and Youth Firesetter Program Manager are discussed and practiced throughout the course.

The course framework guides practitioners through the process of developing a comprehensive strategy to combat the misuse of fire and incendiary devices by juveniles. The course focuses on how identification, intake, screening, disposition and follow-up are used to mitigate youth firesetting behavior. It also empowers students with knowledge on how to develop, implement and evaluate a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program. Students visit a local residential treatment program for youth firesetting.

Note: There is a pre-course assignment students should bring to class (please see the Student pre-course materials).

Selection criteria

Individuals must have (or will have) responsibilities related to the investigation and prevention/intervention of youth firesetting incidents at the local, state or national level. Students may include firefighters, public education specialists, fire investigators, public and mental health officials, hospital and university staff, juvenile justice and social services, law enforcement and school officials.

Priority will be given to two or more members of a jurisdiction applying together who have or will have responsibilities related to youth firesetting prevention and intervention. One of the members must be from the fire service. The other applicant may be from the fire service, law enforcement, mental health, social services, juvenile justice, schools, hospitals, universities or other agencies involved in youth firesetting prevention and intervention.

Prerequisites

Incident Command System (ICS)-100-level and ICS-200-level training. Preferred courses are Q0462 and Q0463, available through [NFA Online](#). Chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training.

Post-course requirements

None

Upcoming offerings

| Dates | Availability | Location |
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| July 18 - 23, 2021 | | Emmitsburg, Maryland |