

What You Can Do With A Major In ...

Fire Technology

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Career Opportunities:

The Fire Technology program prepares students to meet the high standards necessary in pursuing a career in the fire service as a firefighter or a member of related fire protection services, such as emergency medical technician. Students who wish to concentrate on meeting the basic requirements for entry-level employment are advised to complete FIRE 793 and FIRE 796. . Many of the agencies in California require completion of this training to meet minimum requirements for employment as a firefighter.

Typical Job Titles: Firefighter, Emergency Response Technician

Places of Employment: Equipment Manufacturing Companies, Fire Stations, Industry Safety Programs, Insurance Companies

Sample Salary Information: Firefighter

Annual Wages for 2013	Low (25th percentile)	Median (50th percentile)	High (75th percentile)
California	\$53,675	\$71,863	\$93,459

Source: EDD/LMID Occupational Employment Statistics Survey, 2013 Wages do not reflect self-employment.

Estimated Employment and Projected Growth Fire Fighters					
Geographic Area (Estimated Year-Projected Year)	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Additional Openings Due to Net Replacements
California (2010-2020)	33,100	35,400	2,300	7.0	9,100

Source: EDD/LMID Projections of Employment by Occupation

Students should meet with a CSM Counselor once a semester to update their Student Education Plan (SEP) and to ensure that they are on track to meet educational goals in a timely manner. For further Career counseling assistance in the selection of a major, contact the academic Counseling Department at 650-574-6400, or come in person to Building 10, 3rd Floor, Room 340.