

Fire Science Instructor

Valley Academy for Career & Technology Education (VACTE)

Required Qualification

- Valid Arizona Career Technical Education teaching certification with certification in Emerging and Industrial Technology
- Valid Arizona Department of Public Safety Fingerprint Clearance Card IVP
- Preferred Associates Degree in Fire Science
- Valid Certification in Arizona as a Firefighter I & II and HazMat
- Preferred Certified Instructor I & II AZ State/NFPA Instructor-Evaluator
- Fire Science related work experience minimum of 3 years

Preferred Characteristics

- Team player with positive attitude about educating young adults
- Passionate and enthusiastic about teaching fire science as a career
- Student centered and ability to work with all students
- Excellent communication/interpersonal skills
- Ability to integrate technology within the classroom
- Knowledge/willingness to implement performance-based assessments
- Ability to motivate students through use of hands-on activities
- Focused on student achievement and utilization of research based teaching and learning strategies

Job Description

The Fire Science program is a central campus program for VACTE which is a Career Technical Education District in the Verde Valley in Arizona. VACTE satellite schools are Camp Verde HS, Mingus HS and Sedona Red Rock HS. Students in the Verde Valley and Sedona can attend the program in their Senior year or the year after graduation regardless if they are from public schools, private schools, charter school or home schooled. The teacher will be responsible for implementing the state standards for Fire Science in the daily lessons. This course will introduce and train students in the basic to advanced skills necessary to pursue a career Fire Science. This course covers the following topics: fire science history and theory; operational command leadership; administration of public fire organizations; labor relations; incident response strategies; legal and regulatory responsibilities; hazmat skills and regulations; wildland fire skills and regulations; and fire emergency management services. Practice the skills needed for real-life situations related to fire science skills are incorporated. Upon completion of this course, students will have the opportunity to test for certification in Arizona Hazmat and Firefighter I & II and FEMA Wildland Certifications.

Other:

Part Time position, 10 to 20 hours per week plus additional Prop 301 and CTSO Stipends. Class time will be 7:00 am to 9:35 am Monday – Thursday with an estimated 8 Saturdays (8 hrs. each). Start date: Aug. 3rd, 2026.

APPLICATION: Available for download at www.vacte.com (Job Openings tab) or call (928) 634-7131 Ext: 13. The salary will be determined by experience and educational background. For more information contact: Bob Weir, VACTE Superintendent at (928) 634-7131 Ext: 12 or email at: bweir@vacte.com.

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