COURSE TITLE: Codes and Standards COURSE NO: FTA K213 (CRN 31570)

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CLASS HOURS: 3 LAB HOURS: 0 CREDIT HOURS: 3

**REQUIRED TEXT:** NFPA Life Safety Code Handbook, 2003 Edition

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#### **OBJECTIVES:**

Upon completion of this course, the Fire Technology student will have a working knowledge of the following:

- 1) The History of Codes and Standards
- 2) The Codes and Standards Making Process
- 3) The CT State Fire Safety Codes as adopted by the State
- 4) NFPA 101, Life Safety Code organization and application
- 5) International Fire Code organization and application
- 6) Drawing Review Process
- 7) Code Inspection Process

### **GRADING**:

- 1) 5 Exams
- 2) 5 Round Table Discussions/Summaries

EXAM/ASSIGNMENT COMPLETION: I reserve the right to deduct 10% from the possible points that you may receive for an assignment/exam, for each class session that an assignment or exam is late, up to three class sessions. After three class sessions, I will record a zero (0) for that assignment/exam, unless you have made previous arrangements with me and only in exceptional circumstances. All assignments must be submitted by the end of the last class.

### SPECIAL NOTE(S):

- Attendance Policy All absences must be approved and known of before class begins. Extenuating circumstances are the only exception.
- 2) No Class Dates: 09-06-10

## Week 1

Week's Objectives

- o Introduction/Administration
- Class Overview
- o History of Fire Codes
- Codes and Standards making process
- CT State Fire Safety Code Overview (CT Guidebook)

## Individual Assignments

- Read Chaps. 1, 3, & 4
- Roundtable Summary

### Week 2

Week's Objectives

- o Roundtable
- o CT State Fire Safety Code Overview cont.
- o Code Adoption, Enforcement, Appeals
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 1 Administration
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 3 NFPA official Definitions
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 4 General

#### Individual Assignment(s)

- Exam 1 Chapters 1,3,4
- Read chapters 5 & 6

#### Week 3

Week's Objectives

- o NFPA 101 Chapter 5 Performance Based Option
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 6 Classification of Occupancy and Hazard of Contents

Individual Assignment(s)

- Read Chapter 7
- Roundtable Summary

# Week 4 through Week 6

Week's Objectives

- o Roundtable (week 4, week 6)
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 7 Means of Egress

**Individual Assignments** 

- Continue Reading Chapter 7Read Chapter 8

#### Week 7

Week's Objectives

o NFPA 101 Chapter 8 – Features of Fire Protection

**Individual Assignments** 

- o Exam 2 Chapters 6,7,8
- o Read Chapter 9

#### Week 8

Week's Objectives

o NFPA 101 Chapter 9 – Building Service and Fire Protection Equipment **Individual Assignments** 

- o Read Chapters 10 & 11
- Roundtable Summary

# Week 9

Week's Objectives

- Roundtable
- NFPA 101 Chapter 10 Interior Finish, Contents, and Furnishings
- NFPA 101 Chapter 11 Special Structures and High Rise

**Individual Assignments** 

- o Exam 3 Chapters 9,10,11
- Read Chapters 12,13,14,15

### **Week 10**

Week's Objectives

- NFPA 101 Chapter 12,13 Assembly Occupancies
- NFPA 101 Chapter 14,15 Educational Occupancies

**Individual Assignments** 

- o Read Chapters 18,19
- Roundtable Summary

#### Week 11

Week's Objectives

- o Roundtable
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 18,19 Health Care Occupancies

**Individual Assignments** 

- o Exam 4 Chapters 12,14,18
- o Read Chapters 28,29

#### Week 12

Week's Objectives

NFPA 101 Chapter 28,29 – Hotels & Dormitories

**Individual Assignments** 

o Read Chapters 36,37,38,39

## **Week 13**

Week's Objectives

- o NFPA 101 Chapter 36,37 Mercantile Occupancies
- o NFPA 101 Chapter 38,39 Business Occupancies

**Individual Assignments** 

o Exam 5 – Chapters 28,36,38

### **Week 14**

Week's Objectives

o Hand in Exam 5

# **Additional Content as Time allows**

ICC-IFC Occupancy Classifications and Layout ANSI and Federal ADA Drawing Review

# **Roundtable Summaries (20 points each)**

- 1) Facts of the Building
  - a. Occupancy Type
  - b. Construction
- 2) Facts of the Fire
  - a. Sequence of burning (where it started and how the fire progressed)
  - b. Damage
  - c. Fatalities/Injuries
- 3) Origin and Cause Determination
  - a. How did the fire start?
- 4) What was learned
  - a. Changes to regulations/codes