September 13, 20, 27, 2018 October 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018 November 1, 8, 29, 2018 December 6, 13, 2018 January 10, 24, 2019

Activity Number:

331-E2

Location:

Massachusetts Firefighting Academy One State Road Stow, MA

Time:

0800-1600

Registration Deadline

May 25, 2018

Addendum Deadline

May 31, 2018

Notes:

This is a "Priority Selection" course which is not first-come, first-serve.

Priority Selection Date:

June 11, 2018

CHIEF FIRE OFFICER TRAINING

This course, presented in partnership with the University of Massachusetts Edward J. Collins Jr. Center for Public Management, is designed to provide the new chief officer with a variety of leadership and management skills essential in municipal management. The information covered and case histories will be pertinent to Massachusetts municipal government.

The topics covered include: leadership and the chief officer; administrative structure; communication skills; budget and financial skills; supervision and management; human resource management; community and intergovernmental relations; emergency management; logic, ethics and decision making; comprehensive safety and health programs; fire and life safety programs; and organizational and strategic planning.

This course consists of ninety eight (98) hours of instructor-led classroom training with considerable out-of-class reading and research as preparation.

This intensive course requires students to have 100% mandatory attendance and to successfully develop an applied research paper on a topic relevant to the duties and responsibilities as a senior fire official and practice public speaking in a presentation to a panel.

This course meets or exceeds the job performance requirements in the NFPA Standard 1021 Fire Officer Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer III and IV.

Selection Criteria:

This is a very competitive, highly demanding capstone course in the overall Fire Officer training track.

Preference is given to Officers that have demonstrated their commitment to professional development, through achieving an academic degree from an accredited college or university and/or fire certifications with greater weight given for Fire Officer Certifications.

The candidate's current position and administrative responsibilities within their respective fire department will also receive consideration in the selection process.

