



## FIRE-113 – Incident Command Systems 100

### Fire Services

**Effective Term & Year:** Fall 2026

**Course Outline Review Date:** 2031-04-01

**Program Area:** Fire Services

#### Description:

This course introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. Students learn about the history, features, principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System.

#### Program Information:

This course is a required course for the Fire Training Certification program. It may also be delivered as a standalone course or as a part of a specialized contract training program.

**Delivery Methods:** Hybrid – On-campus (Face-to-Face) and Online

**Credit Type:** College of the Rockies Credits

**Credits:** .5

#### Instructional Activity and Hours:

Activity	Hours
Classroom, Directed Studies or Online Instruction	8
Seminar/Tutorials	
Laboratory/Studio	
Practicum/Field Experience	
Co-op/Work Experience	
Other	

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Total	8
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**Course Requisites:**

- Admission to the Fire Training Certificate program or sponsored by a fire service agency or other approved organization.

**Prior Learning and Recognition:** No**Course Transfer Credit:**

For information about receiving transfer credit for courses taken at either British Columbia or Alberta institutions, please see <https://www.bctransferguide.ca/> or <https://transferalberta.alberta.ca> . For more transfer credit information, please visit <https://www.cotr.bc.ca/Transfer>

All requests for course transfer credit from institutions in British Columbia or elsewhere should go to the College of the Rockies Enrolment Services office.

**Textbook Resources:**

Textbook selection varies by instructor and may change from year to year. At the course outline effective date, the following textbooks were in use:

Emergency Management British Columbia, *Incident Command System Orientation I-100*.

Note: Incident Command Systems manuals and student guides are distributed by two authorities to approved trainers. These authorities are: Emergency Management British Columbia and Incident Command Systems Canada. The material was adopted from a federal US government and updated to create the Canadian version by the National Training Working Group (NTWG).

**Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- identify various incidents that require ICS;
- describe Incident Systems the ICS and explain the principles of the system;
- analyse the common responsibilities during an incident; and

- explain the twelve ICS principles.

### Course Topics:

- Five Primary Management Systems
- Establishing and Transfer of Command
- Single or Unified Command Structure
- Management by Objectives
- Consolidated Incident Action Plans
- Comprehensive Resource Management
- Unity and Chain of Command
- Manageable Span of Control
- Modular Organization
- Personnel Accountability
- Common Terminology
- Integrated Communications

## Evaluation and Assessments

### Assessment Type: On-Campus (face-to-face) and Online, or Hybrid

Assessment Type	% of Total Grade
The course is assessed with a final exam. Students must achieve a minimum mark of 70%.	

### Grade Scheme

COM	NCG
Completed to the defined standard – 70% and higher	No credit granted – less than 70%

### Pass requirements:

A passing average (70% or higher) in the theory components and satisfactory completion of practice criteria.

**Evaluation Notes:** All evaluation components must be submitted to pass the course.

### Evaluation Notes Comments:

A grade of COM is awarded for: A minimum of 70% on total course assessment.

**Exam Attendance:**

Students must attend all scheduled exams at the appointed time and place. Instructors may approve an alternate exam to accommodate an illness or personal crisis. Department heads will consider other written requests. Any student who misses a scheduled exam without prior approval will receive a "0" on the exam.

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**Academic Policies:**

College of the Rockies policies related to courses can be found at <https://cotr.bc.ca/about-us/college-policies/> and include the following:

- Policy 2.1.4 Course Audit
  - Policy 2.4.1 Credential Framework
  - Policy 2.4.3 Students with Documented Disabilities
  - Policy 2.4.4 Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct
  - Policy 2.4.8 Academic Performance
  - Policy 2.4.9 Student Feedback and Concerns
  - Policy 2.4.11 Storage of Academic Works
  - Policy 2.5.3 Student Appeal
  - Policy 2.5.5 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)
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**Course Changes:**

The College of the Rockies updates course outlines regularly to meet changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The instructor will notify students in writing of any updates to this outline during the semester. The instructor reserves the right to revise, add or delete material while meeting the learning outcomes of this course outline.