

## Exemption for Firefighters Taking Fire Science Courses

Student First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Semester applying for exemption:  Fall  Spring  Summer Year: \_\_\_\_\_

By submission of this application I hereby request an exemption for the cost of tuition and laboratory fees for courses offered as part of a Fire Science Curriculum.

I understand that

- I must apply for the exemption at least one week before the last day of the institution's regular registration period for that semester.
- I must be employed as a paid firefighter by a political subdivision of the State of Texas or active members of volunteer fire departments who hold an accredited advanced certification (or the equivalent), under the State Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association of Texas volunteer certification program, OR a Phase V (Firefighter II) certification (or the equivalent) under the Texas Commission of Fire Protection's voluntary certification program under Section 419.071, Govt Code.
- I must provide the Financial Aid office with proof of employment as a currently paid firefighter on letterhead dated within 30 days of the first day of class (required each semester in which the exemption will be used).
- I must enroll in courses offered as part of a Fire Science Curriculum\* and for which the college receives tax support (i.e., a course that does not depend solely on student tuition and fees to cover its costs). \*Master of Public Affairs, Disaster Studies, Graduate Certificate in Disaster Management and Sustainability.
- I must submit a completed Exemption for Firefighters Taking Fire Science Courses application each semester.
- I must be in compliance with the institution's financial aid satisfactory academic progress requirements.
- The Fire Fighter Exemption will only cover tuition and laboratory fees for classes required for the completion of my degree in Public Affairs, Disaster Studies, or Graduate Certificate in Disaster Management and Sustainability. I also understand that I am responsible for all other charges.

### SIGN THIS STATEMENT

I agree to all the terms and conditions of the "Firefighters Exemption", and I certify that I am eligible to receive the benefits of the waiver.

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Student Signature

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Date:

**Submitting documents.** *You may submit your documents in several ways:*

- Email to: [stateprograms@utrgv.edu](mailto:stateprograms@utrgv.edu)
- By mail to: **UTRGV U Central**, Visitors Center 1.113, 1201 W. University Drive, Edinburg, TX 78539
- Physical Drop off to locations listed below:

<p><b>Brownsville U Central Location:</b>  <b>The Tower, Main 1.100</b>  <b>One West University Blvd.</b>  <b>Brownsville, Texas 78520</b>  <b>Ph: (888) 882-4026</b></p>	<p><b>Edinburg U Central Location:</b>  <b>Student Services Bldg., First Floor</b>  <b>1201 West University Drive</b>  <b>Edinburg, Texas 78539</b>  <b>Ph: (888) 882-4026</b></p>
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