

# WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

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## Program Description

The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Wildland Fire Management program covers the fundamentals of basic wildland firefighting and management, fire operations in the wildland/urban interface, and wildland fire cause and origin. The program prepares students for entry level positions in the wildland firefighting profession, and is designed to provide students who are interested in careers in emergency and natural resource management with the knowledge, communication, and critical thinking skills necessary for success in the field. Subjects covered are varied and include meteorology, aviation, physics of combustion, ignition methods and devices, and organizational management related to wildland fire emergency services.

Students successfully completing the program are eligible for industry certification. The wildland fire courses presented meet National Wildfire Coordination Group (NWCG) standards and are accepted by Federal, state, and local agencies with wildland fire management jurisdictions. Students with this AAS in Wildland Fire Management combined with industry certification will be highly competitive for employment and future promotional opportunities in the field.

## Special Requirements

Wildland Fire operations are rigorous in nature and some of the field training is arduous in order to simulate actual fire scene environments. Students are responsible for providing their own boots and gloves that meet NWCG requirements for personal protective equipment.

## Contact Information

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## Associates

- Wildland Fire Management (AAS) (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/wildland-fire-management/wildland-fire-management-aas>)