# FIRE 255: WILDLAND INTERFACE & TACTICAL DECISION SIMULATIONS

## **Transcript title**

Interface Tactical Dec. Sims

#### **Credits**

2

# **Grading mode**

Standard letter grades

#### **Total contact hours**

40

#### Other hours

40

# **Prerequisites**

FIRE 104, FIRE 105, FIRE 125 and FIRE 175.

## **Course Description**

Focuses on structure fire duties in relation to the urban interface. Designed to assist structure firefighters in making tactical decisions when confronting wildland fire that threatens life, property, and improvements in the wildland urban interface. Uses simulations of specific problem situations to learn and to apply tactical decision-making skills in the fire environment. Includes anticipating or predicting problem fire behavior during operations and using lookouts, communications, escape routes, and safety zones.

## **Course learning outcomes**

- 1. Describe the interaction of fuels, weather, and topography on wildland fire behavior, fireline tactics, and safety.
- 2. Use lookouts, communications, escape routes, and safety zones during simulations and field operations.
- 3. Perform structure triage.
- Perform operational tactics and strategies safely in simulated wildland urban interface incidents.

#### **Content outline**

- 1. Introduction: look up, look down, look around
- 2. Fire environment
- 3. Topographic influences
- 4. Fuels
- 5. Weather
- 6. Firefighter safety in the interface
- Tactical considerations for problem fire behavior (seven environmental factors)
- 8. Radio operations: programming and cloning
- 9. LCES: lookouts, communication, escape routes, and safety zones
- 10. Managing human factors
- 11. Pre-incident planning

- 12. Size-up and initial strategy
- 13. Structure triage and structure protection
- 14. Tactics and strategies

## **Required materials**

All materials will be provided to the student