JANUARY CLASSES
• Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I & II
  January 10 – 14 | Champaign

WHAT'S NEW AT IFSI?

Collapse Training
Prop Upgrades

Program Leadership Changes

Director, Chief Jim Keiken and Deputy Director, Chief Heather Moore
### January 2022

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**VISIT IFSI ONLINE AT FSI.ILLINOIS.EDU FOR A COMPLETE COURSE LISTING AND TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES.**
FEBRUARY CLASSES

- **Instructor I**
  January 31 – February 4 | West Chicago

- **Instructor II**
  February 7 – 11 | West Chicago

- **Fire Department Incident Safety Officer**
  February 21 – 25 | Champaign

- **Instructor III**
  February 22 – 24 | West Chicago
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**FIREFIGHTING PROGRAM**

The IFSI Firefighting Program offers realistic, hands-on training opportunities for first responders that are designed to meet the needs of all skill levels. Firefighting Program courses provide students with an immersive learning experience.

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MARCH CLASSES

- **Rope Rescue Operations**  
  February 28 – March 4 | Orland Park
- **Engine Company Operations**  
  February 28 – March 2 | Champaign
- **Truck Company Operations**  
  March 2 – 4 | Champaign
- **Confined Space Rescue Operations**  
  March 7 – 11 | Orland Park
- **Advanced Technician Firefighter**  
  March 7 – 11 | Champaign
- **Vehicle and Machinery Operations**  
  March 12 – 13 & March 19 – 20 | Woodstock
- **Structural Collapse Operations**  
  March 14 – 18 | Champaign
- **Advanced Breathing Apparatus Specialist (Smoke Divers)**  
  March 15 – 17 | Champaign
- **Rope Rescue Operations**  
  March 21 – 25 | Champaign
- **Leadership Development and Decision Making**  
  March 28 – April 1 | Champaign

Training for the Basic Operations Firefighter/NFPA Firefighter I Blended program is funded by the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM) through an appropriation of agency funds. OSFM granted these funds for the purpose of supporting basic firefighter certification.
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**FIRE ACADEMY**

IFSI serves as the State Fire Academy. The seven-week Basic Firefighter / NFPA Firefighter I Academy gives new firefighters the practical and cognitive training needed to operate safely and effectively on the fireground. The IFSI Fire Academy focuses on an intense hands-on approach to firefighting, which promotes both skill competency and an understanding of the fireground.

**BASIC OPERATIONS FIREFIGHTER / NFPA FIREFIGHTER I BLENDED**

The Basic Operations Firefighter / NFPA Firefighter I Blended course gives firefighters the practical and cognitive training needed to operate safely on the fireground. The 18-week course is delivered through a unique and flexible schedule format featuring 9 practical weekend sessions and online learning. Students complete the coursework through an instructor supported online classroom. Practical weekend sessions are offered simultaneously across the state, eliminating the need for students to travel long distances to complete the training.

- Casimir Pulaski Day
- Daylight Saving Begins
- St. Patrick’s Day
- LIGHT & FIGHT CHAMPAIGN
- LIGHT & FIGHT CHERRY VALLEY
APRIL CLASSES

- Confined Space Rescue Operations
  April 4 – 8 | Champaign
- Structural Collapse Operations
  April 11 – 15 | Frankfort
- Trench Rescue Operations
  April 19 – 22 | Wilmington
- Hazardous Materials Operations
  April 25 – 28 | Calumet City
- Hazardous Materials IMS
  April 26 – 27 | Orland Park
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**SPECIAL OPERATIONS TRAINING PROGRAM**

The IFSI Special Operations Training Program (SOTP) delivers technical rescue and hazardous material training to first responders. Courses offer an elite and immersive training experience that challenge even the most experienced students. IFSI SOTP is recognized as a global leader in technical rescue and hazardous material training.
MAY CLASSES

- Trench Rescue Operations  
  May 2 – 5  |  Wilmington
- Rope Rescue Technician  
  May 2 – 6 & May 9 – 13  |  Champaign
- Hazardous Materials Operations  
  May 2 – 5  |  Champaign
- Responder Intervention Team Rescue Technician  
  May 2 – 6  |  Champaign
- Fireground Company Officer School  
  May 9 – 13  |  Champaign
- Fireground Command Officer School  
  May 9 – 13  |  Champaign
- Trench Rescue Technician  
  May 16 – 20  |  Wilmington
- Instructor I  
  May 16 – 20  |  Champaign
- Responder Intervention Team Rescue Technician  
  May 16 – 20  |  Champaign
- Leadership Development and Decision Making  
  May 23 – 27  |  Oak Forest
### National Incident Management System (NIMS)

NIMS offers incident management to organizations throughout the State of Illinois. The program focuses on advanced training for the eight command and general staff positions and the development of incident action plans to support preparedness, response and recovery activities at the local and state level.

### Leadership Development and Decision Making (LDDM)

The LDDM program is designed to be “cradle-to-grave” fire service leadership development/decision-making training and education continuum that has consistent themes, priorities, and lines of education in order to institutionalize the highest-quality leadership in the fire service. Each level within the LDDM Program is provided relevant opportunities for development, which are specific to their rank across seven common Lines of Education (LOE).

### Resiliency

The purpose of the IFSI Resiliency Project is to positively impact the health and resiliency of every first responder who participates in classes. Courses offered are designed to provide support for first responders at any stage of their career with the necessary tools to respond in a resilient way to the stressors that come with the job as well as stress from off the job. Focusing on cutting-edge science, students will see how stress can damage the brain and body, and also how to recover from the damage.
JUNE CLASSES

- Vehicle and Machinery Operations
  June 13 – 17 | Orland Park
- Engine Company Operations
  June 20 – 22 | Plainfield
- Truck Company Operations
  June 22 – 24 | Plainfield
### SPECIAL EVENTS

IFSI offers affordable, hands-on training experiences throughout the year. Each year, special event programs like Winter Fire School, Fire College and the Explorer Cadet Fire School bring over 1,000 students to the Champaign training grounds. The diversity of these programs allows IFSI to serve students from across the state and country.

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- **98TH ANNUAL FIRE COLLEGE**  
  June 3 – 5

- **19TH ANNUAL EXPLORER CADET FIRE SCHOOL**  
  June 9 – 12

- **Father's Day**  
  Juneteenth National Freedom Day

- **Train Derailment, Crescent City: 1970**
JULY CLASSES

• Vehicle and Machinery Technician
  July 9 – 10 & July 16 – 17  |  Olney
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**IFSI RESEARCH**

The Illinois Fire Service Institute is a leader in life safety research. The Institute focuses on action-oriented studies that have a direct impact on first responders’ work, health, and safety. IFSI Research carries out projects on the Champaign training grounds, on the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign campus, and at partner facilities across the country.
AUGUST CLASSES

- Rope Rescue Technician
  August 1 – 5 & August 8 – 12 | Orland Park
- Rope Rescue Operations
  August 19 – 21 & August 26 – 27 | Braidwood
- Command and General Staff Functions for Local Incident Management
  August 22 – 26 | Champaign
PARTNERSHIPS

IFSI is proud of our sustainable relationships with industry and corporate partners. These partnerships assist with our delivery of essential, realistic, and hands-on training necessary for the unconventional hazards of the fire service industry. IFSI programs deliver training using the most current tools and equipment, much supported by our successful partnership programs.
SEPTEMBER CLASSES

- Confined Space Rescue Technician  
  August 29 – September 2  |  Orland Park
- Structural Collapse Technician  
  August 29 – September 2  |  Champaign
- Vehicle and Machinery Technician  
  September 12 – 16  |  Orland Park
- Structural Collapse Technician  
  September 12 – 16  |  Champaign
- Fireground Company Officer School  
  September 19 – 23  |  Plainfield
- Fireground Command Officer School  
  September 19 – 23  |  Plainfield
- Hazardous Materials Technician  
  September 19 – 23 & September 26 – 30  |  Orland Park
- Vehicle and Machinery Operations  
  September 24 – 25 & October 1 – 2  |  Fairview Heights
- Advanced Technician Firefighter  
  September 26 – September 30  |  Champaign
SPECIALIZED TRAINING AND EDUCATION

IFSI delivers customized training and education throughout the country and world. Our elite instructional staff serve as subject matter experts for the development and execution of top-quality contract programming. We collaborate with program participants throughout the development process in order to meet and exceed all training objectives.
• Advanced Breathing Apparatus Specialist (Smoke Divers)
  October 4 – 6 | Plainfield
• Rope Rescue Technician
  October 3 – 7 & October 10 – 14 | Utica
• Trench Rescue Technician
  October 10 – 14 | Wilmington
• Leadership Development and Decision Making
  October 10 – 14 | Champaign
• Hazardous Materials Technician
  October 17 – 21 & October 24 – 28 | Champaign
• Confined Space Rescue Technician
  October 17 – 21 | Champaign
• Fire Department Incident Safety Officer
  October 24 – 28 | Champaign
• Instructor I
  October 24 – 28 | West Chicago
The Illinois Fire Service Institute offers a vast array of student support resources to include a full-service Library. The IFSI Library is among the top three fire service dedicated libraries in the nation and houses a collection of over 65,000 books, articles, and reference materials.

The IFSI Curriculum and Testing, Class Support, and Technology Based Training units provide student assistance with; registration and class enrollment, regional and on-site testing, course curriculum questions, and online class guidance. IFSI students are fully supported by our dedicated staff whether enrolled in an in-person, online, or blended training program.
NOVEMBER CLASSES

- **Fire Apparatus Engineer**
  October 31 – November 4  |  Champaign
- **Search Techniques for the Fireground**
  November 2 – 5  |  Champaign
- **Responder Intervention Team Rescue Technician**
  November 7 – 11  |  Champaign
- **Vehicle and Machinery Operations**
  November 7 – 11  |  Champaign
- **Instructor II**
  November 7 – 11  |  West Chicago
- **Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist**
  November 8 – 9  |  Orland Park
- **Vehicle and Machinery Technician**
  November 13 – 14 & 20 – 21  |  Quincy
- **Hazardous Materials Operations**
  November 14 – 17  |  Champaign
- **Fireground Company Officer School**
  November 14 – 18  |  Champaign
- **Fireground Command Officer School**
  November 14 – 18  |  Champaign
- **Instructor III**
  November 15 – 17  |  West Chicago
### MOVING TOWARD 2023

The 2023 training schedule is now available online: [fsi.illinois.edu](http://fsi.illinois.edu).

Plan ahead and register for your upcoming training programs. Be sure to check the website frequently as additional course options are consistently added to the training schedule. IFSI will continue to offer a full spectrum of elite training opportunities across the state and country throughout the year.
DECEMBER CLASSES

- Public Fire and Life Safety Educator
  November 28 – December 2 | Orland Park

- Instructor I
  November 28 – December 2 | Champaign

- Instructor II
  December 5 – 9 | Champaign

- Fire Attack and Suppression Techniques (FAST)
  December 5 – 9 | Champaign

#WEAREIFSI

IFSI is a family of over 700 field instructors and support staff professionals. Each passionate about supporting our mission and serving the men and women of the fire service. We take great pride in what we do. WE ARE IFSI.
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The Cornerstone Program delivers fundamental training to local fire departments, MABAS Divisions and Mutual Aid Associations throughout the state. Training is coordinated through eight IFSI Regional Representatives. Courses are funded through the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal and available at no cost to students or fire departments.

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OUR MISSION

Helping Firefighters Do Their Work Through Training, Education, Information, and Research.