

# Master of Fire Investigation Articulated Set

*includes:*

**Master of Fire Investigation**  
**Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation**  
**Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation**

The Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation aims to develop and increase the knowledge of practitioners in the field of fire investigation. It aims to improve professional standards by the application of knowledge of sound investigative practice together with an understanding of fire dynamics, fire causation and fire setting motives. Course participants are exposed to current investigative best practice, the physics of fire behaviour and theories of deviance associated with fire setting. Assessment topics encourage students to apply theory to practice and exercise best practice in their own investigations.

**The course includes the following awards:**

Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation *GradCertFireInvestign*

Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation *GradDipFireInvestign*

Master of Fire Investigation *MFireInvestign*

## **Course Study Modes and Locations**

**Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation (1309FI)**

*Distance Education - Manly*

**Master of Fire Investigation (1713FI)**

*Distance Education - Manly*

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

## **Normal course duration**

**Master of Fire Investigation**

Full-time 1.5 years (3.0 sessions)

As the two Masters subjects EMG505 and EMG506 are delivered over the course of two sessions, the actual full time duration for someone starting at the Graduate Certificate and completing all subjects would be 2 years.

#### **Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation**

Full-time 1 years (2.0 sessions)

#### **Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation**

Full-time 0.5 years (1.0 sessions)

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

#### **Admission criteria**

[CSU Admission Policy](#)

#### **Master of Fire Investigation**

Admission to this course is open to those people who can demonstrate a genuine connection with fire services or an occupational requirement to study this area.

Applicants must also have:

- 1) completed or be able to demonstrate they meet all of the requirements of the Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation or an equivalent Graduate Diploma completed at an Australian university or overseas equivalent, and
- 2) a minimum of five years experience in the field of fire services or a related area, as determined by the Course Coordinator.

#### **Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation**

Admission to this course is open to those people who can demonstrate a genuine connection with fire services or an occupational requirement to study this area.

Applicants must also have:

- 1) an undergraduate degree; or
- 2) a minimum of five years experience in the field of fire services or a related area, as determined by the Course Coordinator.

#### **Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation**

Admission to this course is open to those people who can demonstrate a genuine connection with fire services or an occupational requirement to study this area.

Applicants must also have:

- 1) an undergraduate degree; or
- 2) a minimum of five years experience in the field of fire services or a related area, as determined by the Course Coordinator.

## Credit

[CSU Credit Policy](#)

### Master of Fire Investigation

Applicants who have completed the Graduate Certificate and/or Graduate Diploma will receive credit for these awards. Applicants demonstrating Fire Investigation experience deemed sufficient by the course coordinator will receive credit on an application by application basis.

### Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation

There is an articulation agreement with the NSW Police Arson course for one subject credit, JST415. QLD Fire and Rescue have a Diploma in Fire Investigation which is recognised with one subject credit, JST415.

### Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation

There is an articulation agreement with the NSW Police Arson course for one subject credit, JST415. The Diploma in Fire Investigation from QLD Fire and Rescue is recognised with one subject credit, JST415. The AFAC Advanced Diploma of Fire Investigation is recognised with one credit for JST415 and one elective.

## Articulation

The Master, Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate make up an articulated set of courses and credit is given in each higher level course for the subjects completed in the lower.

## Graduation requirements

### **Master of Fire Investigation**

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 96 points.

### **Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation**

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 64 points.

### **Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation**

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 32 points.

### **Course Structure**

#### **Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation (32 points)**

[JST415](#) Foundations of Fire Investigation

[JST496](#) Fire-Setting Behaviour, Legal Issues and Investigative Practice

[JST455](#) Wildfire Investigation

One elective

#### **Graduate Diploma of Fire Investigation (64 points)**

All the requirements of the Graduate Certificate in Fire Investigation, plus:

[JST484](#) Structure and the effects of fire

[JST488](#) Specialist Fire Investigations (16)

One elective

#### **Master of Fire Investigation ( 96 points)**

All the requirements of the Graduate Certificate of Fire Investigation, plus:

[EMG505](#) Workbased Project (16 points)

[EMG506](#) Literature Review (16 points)

### **Electives**

Selected from any Level 400 subject offered by the AGSPS; check for pre requisites and residential requirements before making your selection. Subjects at Level 400 outside of the AGSPS will be considered by the Course Coordinator.

### **Enrolment Pattern**

#### **Session 1**

[JST415](#) Foundations of Fire Investigation

[JST496](#) Fire-Setting Behaviour, Legal Issues and Investigative Practice

## **Session 2**

[JST455](#) Wildfire Investigation

One elective

## **Session 3**

[JST484](#) Structures and the Effects of Fire

one elective

## **Session 4**

[JST488](#) Specialist Fire Investigations (16 points)

## **Session 5**

[EMG505](#) Workbased Project (commenced)

[EMG506](#) Literature Review (commenced)

## **Session 6**

[EMG505](#) Workbased Project (completed)

[EMG506](#) Literature Review (completed)

## **Contact**

For further information about Charles Sturt University, or this course offering, please contact info.csu on 1800 334 733 (free call within Australia) or email [inquiry@csu.edu.au](mailto:inquiry@csu.edu.au)

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