NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

TUITION WAIVER FOR FULL TIME FIRE FIGHTERS LIVING IN MASSACHUSETTS

Under the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 73, Section 20, amended by Chapter 550, certain fire fighters may be eligible for a tuition waiver while attending North Shore Community College.

To be eligible a person must:

Be a matriculated student in the Fire Protection and Safety Technology Degree or Certificate Program.

Be a fire fighter at the time they are taking courses and that must be documented by a letter from their Fire Department. A sample copy of the wording of this letter is attached.

At the time they are taking courses they must be interested in continuing their education at Salem State College and express this in writing. A sample copy of the wording of this letter is attached.

Be a full time student, taking 12 or more credits, in the semester they are applying for the waiver. The only exception is a student in his/her last semester when they have less than 12 credits left for their degree.

Be only taking courses that count toward the degree or certificate.

Students must apply for the tuition waiver each semester after they have registered for courses. They need not submit documentation of eligibility each semester unless there is a break between semesters.

There is no Tuition Waiver for Summer courses.

The Application and other documentation must be submitted to the Program Coordinator who will determine eligibility and issue the tuition waiver if the student is eligible.

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The documentation that a student is a fire fighter must be submitted on Fire Department letterhead and signed by an officer superior to the student.

The letter must be dated.

The wording of the letter listed below is the wording that the College wants to allow the Program Coordinator to issue the tuition waiver.

Professor Francis M. Ryan  
Coordinator, Fire Protection and Safety Technology  
North Shore Community College  
1 Ferncroft Road  
Danvers, MA 01923

Dear Professor Ryan:

This letter is to certify that ________________________________ is a member of the ______________________ Fire Department and has my permission to attend North Shore Community College and Salem State College to pursue a Associate and Bachelors Degree in Fire Science.

______________________________ is entitled to a tuition waiver under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 73, Section 20, amended by Chapter 550.

Sincerely:

Name and Rank:______________________________

Please note: The Program Coordinator is the only one who sees this letter and is the person who issues the tuition waiver.

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This next letter can be on plain bond paper or fire department letterhead.

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The North Shore Community College Degree and Certificate Programs are part of a two year/two year transfer program with Salem State College. Salem State College offers the upper two years of a Bachelors Degree program with North Shore Community College offering the first two years. For this reason, North Shore Community College can issue a tuition waiver.

The letter must be dated.

Professor Francis M. Ryan  
Coordinator, Fire Protection and Safety Technology  
North Short Community College  
1 Ferncroft Road  
Danvers, MA 01923

Dear Professor Ryan:

It is my intent at this time to pursue a Bachelors Degree in Fire Science Administration at Salem State College. The degree program at Salem State College requires an Associate Degree with at least twenty-one credits of freshman/sophomore courses in Fire Science at a Community College before being admitted into their degree program.

Sincerely,

Signed Name. ______________________________________

Printed Name. ______________________________________

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The Application for a Tuition Waiver must be submitted to the Program Coordinator each semester. Students should submit this application after registering for courses. If you are just starting in the program you may submit the Application and the Documentation at the same time.

Incomplete Applications will not be processed.

Applications will not be processed unless the required documentation is submitted.

The Application for a Tuition Waiver is on the next page.
Professor Francis M. Ryan  
North Shore Community College  
1 Ferncroft Road  
Danvers MA 01923

Fire Protection and Safety Technology Program

Application For A Tuition Waiver

I hereby apply for a tuition waiver for the __________________ semester.

I am a fire fighter, a matriculated student in the Fire Protection and Safety Technology Program, am taking 12 or more credits and at this time plan to continue my education at Salem State College.

I have submitted the documentation for all of the above.

Signed: ______________________ Date: ____________

Print Name ____________________________

The following information is necessary to verify that you are eligible for a tuition waiver and if you are, where to mail the Waiver.

Your current mailing address: ________________________________
City:_________________________ State:_____________Zip:_______________

Student ID Number:_________________________ (Must have this)

Number of credits you are registered for: _________

This Application should be submitted as soon as you register for courses.