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 Program.

- Be a regular member of a fire department within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as documented by a letter from a superior officer within their fire department. A sample copy of the wording of this letter is attached.

- State in writing their intention to continue their education in the Fire Science Administration Program at Salem State University. 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 to finish their degree.

- Take only courses in the Fire Protection and Safety Technology Program of Study.

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 are no Tuition Waivers for Summer term courses.

The application and other documentation must be submitted to the Program Coordinator who will determine eligibility and issue the tuition waiver to eligible students.

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The documentation that a student is a regular member of a fire department must be submitted on fire department letterhead and signed by an officer superior to the student.

The letter must be dated.

The suggested wording of the letter is listed below.

Chief Frank Twiss
Coordinator, Fire Protection and Safety Technology
North Shore Community College
1 Ferncroft Road
Danvers, MA 01923

Dear Chief Twiss:

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 University to pursue an Associate's in Fire Protection and Safety Technology and Bachelor's Degree in Fire Science Administration.

_____ 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:_____

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

The suggested wording of the letter is listed below.

The North Shore Community College Associate's Degree in Fire Protection and Safety Technology is part of a two year/two year transfer program with Salem State University. Salem State University offers the upper two years of a Bachelor's Degree program with North Shore Community College offering the first two years. For this reason, North Shore Community College issues a tuition waiver to full time fire fighters.

The letter must be dated.

Chief Frank Twiss
Coordinator, Fire Protection and Safety Technology
North Short Community College
1 Ferncroft Road
Danvers, MA 01923

Dear Chief Twiss:

It is my intent at this time to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Fire Science Administration at Salem State University. The degree program at Salem State University requires an Associate's Degree with at least twenty-one credits of freshman/sophomore courses in Fire Protection 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. Students in their first semester may submit their application and 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.

Chief Frank Twiss
Coordinator, Fire Protection and Safety Technology
North Shore Community College
1 Ferncroft Road
Danvers MA 01923

Fire Protection and Safety Technology Program

Application for Tuition Waiver

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

I am

- a regular member of the _____ Fire Department,
- a matriculated student in the Fire Protection and Safety Technology Program,
- taking 12 or more credits this semester,
- at this time plan to continue my education at Salem State University.

I have submitted the required documentation to the Program Coordinator.

Signed: _____ Date:_____

Print Name _____

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.