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Looking for a career where you can use science and technology to help make our world safer from fire? Become a fire protection engineer!

Society of Fire Protection Engineers

The Society of Fire Protection Engineers is the professional organization for fire protection engineers. The Society produces educational seminars and short courses, technical symposia and conferences, and books and publications designed to advance the science and practice of fire protection engineering internationally.
What does a fire protection engineer do?

A fire protection engineer:
- uses physics, math and chemistry to protect people and buildings from destructive fires.
- analyzes how buildings are used, how fires start and grow, and how fire and smoke affect people, buildings and property.
- uses the latest technologies to design systems that control fires, alert people to danger, and provide means for escape.
- works with other engineers, architects, state and local building officials, and local fire departments to build and maintain fire safe communities.

Top 5 reasons to become a fire protection engineer

You’ll have the power to make a difference!
By becoming a fire protection engineer, you can help solve problems and make the buildings we live and work in safer for everyone.

You’ll have money and job security!
Fire protection engineers have significantly higher starting salaries than do college graduates with bachelor’s degrees in many other fields. The average starting salary for a fire protection engineer is around $50,000. Society will always need fire protection engineers, to keep us safe and to prevent the threat of fire.

You’ll be working with other talented people!
Fire protection engineering is a team effort. As a fire protection engineer you may be working on projects with experts in many different fields and backgrounds, from architects to contractors to designers.

You’ll have lots of options!
Fire protection engineers work everywhere: in big and small cities, urban areas and rural communities. Some work in business offices or classrooms, others in factories or research labs or onsite at a building location.

You’ll get to do cool stuff!
Be the first to develop or try out a new technology; travel to different parts of the country or even around the world.

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A career in fire protection engineering pays well, provides opportunities for world travel, and offers the chance to work in a variety of environments. Fire protection engineers are in high demand. The number of jobs consistently outweighs the number of engineers available to fill them.

Average starting salary is $47,000

Median industry salary is close to $85,000

Over 25% earn more than $100,000 per year

Both Undergraduate and Graduate Programs are offered in Fire Protection Engineering. Courses are available at many schools.

See map on next page...
U.S. Schools that offer studies in Fire Protection Engineering

University of New Haven
www.newhaven.edu
Offers a Bachelor and Masters of Science degrees in fire science and fire protection engineering

University of California at Berkeley
www.berkeley.edu
Offers a Doctoral program in fire protection engineering

Virginia Tech
Blacksburg, VA
www.vt.edu
Offers a Doctoral program in fire protection engineering

University of Maryland at College Park
College Park, MD
www.umd.edu
Offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs in fire protection engineering

University of Texas at Austin
Austin, TX
www.utexas.edu
Offers courses in fire protection engineering

Oklahoma State University
www.okstate.edu
Offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Protection Engineering Technology

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Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Hong Kong
www.polyu.edu.hk

Lund University
Lund, Sweden
www.lu.se

South Bank University
London, England
www.sbu.ac.uk

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology
Zurich, Switzerland
www.ethz.ch

Carleton University
Ottawa, Canada
www.carleton.ca

University of Canterbury
Christchurch, New Zealand
www.canterbury.ac.nz

University of Edinburgh
Edinburgh, Scotland
www.ed.ac.uk

University of Greenwich
London, England
www.gre.ac.uk

University of New Brunswick
Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada
www.umb.ca

University of Ulster
Carrickfergus, Northern Ireland
www.ulst.ac.uk

Victoria University of Technology
Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
www.vu.edu.au

Seneca College, Ontario, Canada
Toronto, Canada
www.senecac.on.ca

Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland
Glasgow, United Kingdom
www.gcal.ac.uk