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Dear Prospective Fire Science Student:

I'm pleased that you have interest in earning your Fire Science and/or Paramedicine degree(s) and participating in the Public Safety Student Live- in Program.

SMCC has one of the most challenging and successful Fire Science programs in New England, with more than 120 full- and part-time students statewide. Our Public Safety Live-in program is one of the largest and most respected in the country, with room for 80 full time Fire Science and Paramedicine students living in 27 fire stations in 17 communities in southern Maine.

Students who are selected for placement in the student live-in program save more than \$5,000 in college room and board expenses each year. *Think of live-in as your very own \$10,000 scholarship courtesy of SMCC and the host communities!*

Elsewhere in our portal, you'll find general information about the Fire Science, Paramedicine and student live-in programs. Students who complete these programs are successfully pursuing jobs all over the USA.

For more information about applying to the SMCC for acceptance in the Fire Science program, here's the link – just click the "Future Student" button: <http://www.smccme.edu/>

I invite you and your family to attend an SMCC open house on a Saturday in mid-October or early April, or schedule a visit with us. Please send an e-mail to me anytime with dates and times that would work for you.

Are you currently a member of your local fire or rescue/EMS department? If not, I encourage you to get involved. The training, certifications, experience and guidance you can gain through your local fire-rescue department will help you prepare for – and be successful in -- your Fire Science studies.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Good luck and we look forward to your questions and visit!

Sincerely,

Professor Willis

Steve Willis, Fire Science Department Chair and Student Live-In Coordinator