

Instructor Criteria for 300-600 Level NWCG Courses
Certification based on ability to meet one standard in each Instructor Criteria.

| Instructor Criteria | | | | |
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| Instructor Level | Teaching Skill | Course Content Knowledge | Practical Application | Ethics Criteria |
| Adjunct Instructor (per FMCG) | None | Known or demonstrated expertise on one or more subjects associated with the course | Subject Matter Expert on course related materials OR Demonstrated course related technical expertise OR Published subject related article or paper in previous 5 years | As required by Agency |
| Unit Instructor | Accepted formal instructional training (i.e., State fire training certificate, college teacher's credential, college education courses, Facilitative Instructor (M-410) course, etc.) OR 40 hours of successful fire service instruction | Successful completion or audit of course being taught OR Successfully assisted in instructing the course OR Successfully completed Train-the-Trainer course (if applicable) and Successfully taught the course in the past 5 years as determined by the Course Coordinator | Qualified and current (<i>minus Work Capacity Test (WCT) and Annual Fireline Safety Refresher</i>) as required in the course page of NWCG Field Manager's Course Guide (FMCG) OR Qualified and current (<i>minus WCT and Refresher</i>) one level above that identified in the course outline of FMCG OR Qualified as a type 1 or 2 level Command or General Staff position in the same functional area as the course being presented OR Meets the NIMS Training Plan instructor criteria for specified course NOTE: Written approval of an NWCG member Regional or State Fire Director can be substituted for currency requirement above. | As required by Agency |
| Lead Instructor | Same as Unit Instructor AND 40 additional hours (80 total hrs) of successful fire service instruction | Same as Unit Instructor | Same as Unit Instructor | As required by Agency |