### FIVE WAYS TO TRAIN

**Traditional In-Person Classes**
In-person classes can be a mix of lecture and skills, or just lecture. Great for face-to-face learners. There is no online content.

These classes have a set schedule with required attendance sessions.

**Hybrid Classes**
Hybrid classes are a mix of pre-programmed online content and in-person learning. Great for programs such as 1402: Hybrid FFI where the lecture is presented online and skills are taught in-person.

These classes have a set schedule with required attendance sessions.

**Online Classes**
These classes consist solely of pre-programmed online content. Great for programs such as 1427: Online HMA or 3309: Intro to Tech Rescue where only fundamentals are taught, not skills.

These classes have specific start/end dates but can be completed any time in between.

**Pre-Recorded Online Training**
Pre-recorded online training is lecture-driven and taught completely online. Great for lectures, seminars or continuing education training.

This training can be viewed any time, at the convenience of the student.

**Live Instructor-Led Virtual Classes**
These classes are taught “real-time” by an instructor, completely online. Great for lecture-based classes or streaming live events.

These classes have a set schedule with required attendance sessions.

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### Frequently Asked Questions

**How do I register for these classes?**
Registration for all Academy classes is the same, through your Fire Portal account, with the approval of your Fire Chief or Training Officer.

**What is the cost of each class?**
Prices vary, and are listed on the Fire Portal registration page.

**What type of virtual learning platform is used by the Academy?**
Blackboard Collaborate, a real-time video conferencing tool, that allows users to add files, share applications, and use a virtual whiteboard to interact with others. This tool is easy to use and opens right in a browser. There is no software to install to join a session.

**What are the system requirements for online classes?**
Desktop or laptop (mobile app coming soon!), and a common web browser like Chrome or Firefox.

Questions?
Please contact your Regional Coordinator.