

LTCC fire cadet joins Tahoe Douglas department

Jenny Alustiza, a 2008 graduate of the Lake Tahoe Community College Fire Academy, has been hired on with the Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District after graduating from their academy last month.

Alustiza had to go through the Tahoe Douglas Fire Academy to obtain the Nevada certifications the college doesn't offer. She is the first woman to graduate from that academy. She will also be the only female firefighter for the department, though not the only one ever hired.



Jenny Alustiza practices ventilation training during the Lake Tahoe Basin Fire Academy.

Photo/Leona Allen

"I am so proud of Jenny and her accomplishment. This is our first full-time hire from Tahoe Douglas – a collaborating academy agency – and Jenny represents the strength of our program very well," said Leona Allen, with the LTCC academy.

– Kathryn Reed