



LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY (LEA)
ACADEMIC GUIDE

POST Only CLASS

The Academic Plan is a semester-by-semester plan for the Law Enforcement Academy student.

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ACADEMIC PLAN		NOTES
First Semester	Cr Hrs	
LEA110 Introduction to Law Enforcement	3	
LEA 112 Criminal Law for Law Enforcement	3	
LEA114 Rules of Criminal Evidence for Law Enforcement	3	
LEA147 Ethics & Professionalism for Law Enforcement	3	
Total Hours	12	

Second Semester	Cr Hrs	
LEA120 Juvenile Justice for Law Enforcement	3	
LEA222 Criminal Investigation for Law Enforcement	3	
LEA224 Law Enforcement Organizational Leadership	3	
LEA135 First Responder First Aid for Law Enforcement	3	
LEA111 Firearms for Law Enforcement I	1	
HPE101 Physical Fitness I	1	
Total Hours	14	

Third Semester		Semester 2
LEA155 Report Writing for Law Enforcement	3	
LEA215 Patrol Operations & Tactics	3	
LEA242 Advanced Criminal Investigation	3	
LEA211 Firearms for Law Enforcement II	1	
HPE201 Physical Fitness II	1	
Total Hours	14	

Program Description: The Law Enforcement Academy POST Only program delivers the course work to complete a Certificate in Law Enforcement but also the Missouri Department of Public Safety Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Class A License curriculum. This fast-paced program offers both academic and practical exercises to prepare the participant for a career in law enforcement. In addition to the academic class curriculum, the training also includes OC pepper spray, expandable baton, breathalyzer operator permit, first aid/CPR/AED, Taser certification, defense tactics, and fitness training.

Admission Requirements: Successfully complete College application and provide proof of a completed degree through a regionally accredited institution OR a transcript with required general education course (through a regionally accredited institution) that will allow the student to graduate with an Associate of Applied Science or Associate of Arts degree upon completion of the course work offered through the Academy program. A separate Law Enforcement Academy application is also required. The application process to the Law Enforcement Academy is a competitive process that includes the academy application, a physical fitness agility assessment, and interview.



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Employment Outlook/Median Salary*:

Career	Degree Level Required	** Growth	Salary Range
Commissioned Peace Officer	Class A License	7%	52,080 – 84,660

**Employment information based on current Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook.
<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/protective-service/police-and-detectives.htm#tab-1>*

***Projected % of change in employment 2016-2026; the average for all occupations is 7%.*

Jefferson College Program Highlights:

- The Law Enforcement Academy is accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) / Academies.
- The Law Enforcement Academy is licensed by the Missouri Department of Public Safety – Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (MO DPS POST).
- The Law Enforcement Academy training includes state-of-the art VirtTa firearms training simulator; DORON driver training system; handguns/shotguns/patrol rifles and ammunition; vehicles; and multiple mock training scenario rooms.
- The program requires all students complete ride-along and community service hours outside the schedule class hours. These opportunities help to identify job prospects and enhance hire rates.
- The program has a 100% pass rate for the MO DPS POST Class A License test required for commissioned personnel.

Transfer Information:

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Law Enforcement will generally not transfer to four-year institutions. Exceptions may be made if transferring to a four-year Criminal Justice Program or to one of the institutions that has an articulation agreement in place with Jefferson College. General education courses taken within the Law Enforcement Academy degree plan will transfer to four-year institutions.