

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Police Reserve Academy

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Public Safety Department offers several programs related to a career in criminal justice. For students interested in becoming a law enforcement officer, the Police Reserve Academy provides a 320-hour program designed to train police reserve officers to enter a career in law enforcement. This nine-month Academy is instructed on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. between early September and mid-May of each year.

Classes are taught by personnel from throughout the criminal justice system in Douglas County, and participating law enforcement agencies in Douglas County may select candidates for their Reserve Officer Program or full-time positions from the class at any time.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Students who successfully complete the Criminal Justice Police Reserve Academy will:

1. Communicate effectively in the criminal justice culture: verbally, no-verbally, and in writing.
2. Balance the unique responsibilities of criminal justice work with competing family and other personal needs.
3. Work effectively on both independent assignments and team efforts within the criminal justice system.
4. Exhibit a commanding presence that is appropriate to specific criminal justice situations.
5. Locate and interpret current case law and statutes. pertaining to specific criminal justice roles; take action that is supported by current law and statutes.
6. Recognize symptoms of mental health and substance abuse issues; take appropriate action.
7. Work effectively with persons of different cultural heritage, gender, and age.
8. Acquire an understanding of cultural norms and their impact on criminal justice interactions.
9. Discuss the relationship between the criminal justice system, cultural and other diversity, and police/community dynamics.
10. Demonstrate cognitive knowledge focusing on positive criminal justice professional/citizen contacts, with the principle emphasis on the importance of a continuing dialogue between the criminal justice system and all segments of the community.

PROGRAM COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Fall

CJ J00A	Law Enforcement Skills Training	2
CJ 105	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
CJ 110	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3

Winter

CJ J00B	Law Enforcement	2
CJ 120	Introduction to Judicial Processes	3
CJ 203	Crisis Intervention Seminar (PRA only)	1
CJ 212	Report Writing for Criminal Justice	3

Spring

CJ 100C	Law Enforcement Skills Training*	2
CJ 109	Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice*	3
CJ 112	Field Operations and Patrol Procedures*	3

Total Credits 25

PROGRAM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Academic Entrance Requirement

- All program participants must meet all of the following criteria.
- Not have been convicted by any state or by the federal government of a crime; the punishment for which could have been imprisonment in a federal penitentiary or state prison.
 - Be a high school graduate or have passed the General Education Development test.
 - Possess a valid Oregon driver's license with an acceptable driving record.

PROGRAM AND COURSE FEES

Students are required to provide their own uniforms, equipment, and supplies.