Law Enforcement Training Academy

Program Description

The Chandler-Gilbert Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy is an intense, highly accountable and challenging training program certified by the Arizona Peace Officers Standards and Training Board (Az POST). This 800+ hour program meets Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and all day Saturday, for 10 months.

The CGCC Law Enforcement Training Academy is emotionally, academically and physically challenging. The academy meets Az POST standards and includes instruction in:

- Criminal Law
- Traffic Law
- Search and Seizure
- Rules of Evidence
- Patrol and Observation
- Domestic Violence
- Cultural Awareness
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Crowd Control
- Death Investigations
- and many other classes.

The program also incorporates proficiency skills training in the areas of defensive tactics, firearms, high risk stops and vehicle/pursuit operations.

Physical fitness is an important and regular part of the program. Az POST requires each cadet to qualify on the Peace Officer’s Physical Aptitude Test prior to certification. This includes 5 timed events: 6’ solid wall climb, 6’ chain link fence climb, 99 yard obstacle course, body drag and 500 yard run.

Upon successful completion of the academy and the Az POST comprehensive exam, students are eligible to be certified police officers. In addition, students earn 30 college credits from CGCC.
Admission Requirements

Students can be sponsored by a law enforcement agency or enroll as a non-sponsored recruit. Sponsored recruits are required to undergo a background investigation by their respective agency. Once completed, the agency must submit an Arizona POST "AA" form to the Academy Director. Non-sponsored applicants must complete the background investigation through the academy and all costs are paid by the applicant. Applicants shall complete a background packet and pay the background fee ($255) at the Admissions and Records Office of the Williams Campus to begin the process. Background investigators will then schedule a background interview. Upon successful completion of the interview and background checks, a polygraph will be scheduled ($125). Upon successful completion of the polygraph, the applicant will be scheduled for a medical examination ($225). The background process takes approximately 6-8 weeks to complete.

Cost of the academy includes tuition (two semesters at 15 credits per semester) and lab fees. Students must also supply personal use equipment such as a firearm, handcuffs, duty belt and uniforms.

GI benefits are available for qualified individuals.

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