

WITHLACOOCHEE TECHNICAL COLLEGE

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Crossover from Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Officer Course Syllabus

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PROGRAM LENGTH

518 HOURS

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Crossover from Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Officer Career and Technical Certificate program is designed to prepare students who are currently certified in the Corrections discipline to laterally move to the Law Enforcement discipline. Practical skills and simulated activities complement the classroom instruction.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, students will be eligible to:

- Sit for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's (FDLE) State Officer Certification Examination (SOCE).
- Apply for employment as a sworn officer within the state of Florida

TEXTBOOKS

Are part of the Curriculum Kit. Refer to Crossover from Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Officer Program Cost Information sheet.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must also have good physical agility and good hand eye coordination.

DRESS CODE

The Public Safety Training Center uniform should be respected as that of a criminal justice agency. It should not be worn while consuming alcohol, using tobacco products or worn at other activities or locations perceived to be unprofessional by the general public. Recruits are permitted to wear the program uniform to all academy-approved functions. Uniforms and clothing with program logo shall not be worn to any non-approved function (excluding meal breaks) and shall not be displayed in photographs depicting derogatory or unbecoming behavior.

DISCIPLINE

1. Any student who violates general conduct rules outlined in sections 2-5,8,9,12 of the Student Policy Procedure Manual will receive a documented Incident Report by the Training Program Coordinator. A copy of this report will remain in the student file.
2. Any student who receives three negative Incident Reports will be recommended for dismissal from the program by the Program Coordinator. The Training Center Director, Program Coordinator and other persons that may be necessary, will conduct a review of the incidents prior to dismissal.

BACKGROUND CHECKS

An applicant shall be disqualified if he/she:

1. has been convicted of ANY felony
2. has been convicted a misdemeanor involving perjury, a false statement, or domestic violence
3. has committed a misdemeanor which involves "moral turpitude." Legally, moral turpitude has been defined as "conduct contrary to justice, honesty, modesty, or good morals." Applicants must have good moral character
4. Have not received a dishonorable discharge from any of the Armed Forces of the United States.

HOW YOU ARE EVALUATED

GRADEBOOK PERCENTAGES WILL BE EXPLAINED IN CLASS

Competency/Proficiency Evaluation: Demonstrate proficiency in Vehicle Operations / DUI Traffic Stops

Classroom: (assignments, tests, quizzes): Students must have an 80% average in all areas.

Employability Skills/Work Ethic: Attitude, approach to employment and teamwork, safety, professional appearance (observes dress code)

GRADES

100-90 A

89-80 B

79-70 C

69-69 D

Below 60 F

ATTENDANCE

Attendance requirements will be explained during first week of class. Refer to the Student Policy Procedure Manual for additional information.

SAFETY

Safety is an important aspect of the Public Safety Training Center and will be incorporated throughout the Law Enforcement Recruit training.

PROGRESS

See the below Occupational Completion Point. The CO to LE Cross-Over program is a lock step program and all students progress through at the same pace.

Introduction to Law Enforcement	12 hours
Communication	24 hours
Legal	64 hours
Interviewing and Report Writing	56 hours
Fundamentals of Patrol	40 hours
Serving Your Community	34 hours
Crimes Against Persons	48 hours
Crimes Involving Property and Society	12 hours
Crime Scene Follow-up Investigations	34 hours
Traffic Incidents	12 hours
Traffic Stops	24 hours
Traffic Crash Investigations	30 hours
DUI Traffic Stops	24 hours
Critical Incidents	44 hours
Cross-Over Program Updates	8 hours
Law Enforcement Vehicle Operations	48 hours
Conducted Electrical Weapon/Dart-Firing Stun Gun	4 hours
Total Hours	518 hours

RECOMMENDED WEBSITES/RESOURCES

<https://www.fdle.state.fl.us>