

LAW ENFORCEMENT & PEACE OFFICER TRAINING

60 credit AAS | 20 credit Certificate

THE PROGRAM

The Certificate in Peace Officer Training is a rigorous one-semester program that satisfies training requirements for employment as a peace officer in North Dakota. The four-semester Associate in Applied Science in Law Enforcement degree is a common requirement for advancement in law enforcement careers and meets the entrance requirement of several large agencies that require a two-year college education. Graduates of Lake Region State College's Law Enforcement and Peace Officer Training programs are actively recruited by the numerous law enforcement agencies in North Dakota.

Much of the coursework is taught in a hands-on manner, providing the candidates with a working knowledge of the performance of police tasks. Students will learn skills such as:

- Law of Arrest and Search and Seizure
- Crime Scene Processing
- Drug Crimes
- DUI Detection/Apprehension
- Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Evidence Collection and Fingerprinting
- Firearms
- Hazardous Materials
- High-Risk Traffic Stops
- North Dakota Criminal Law
- Photography
- Physical Fitness
- Police Ethics and Tactics
- Radar/Ladar
- Radio Telecommunications
- Report Writing
- Rules of Evidence
- Traffic Law

PEACE OFFICER ACADEMY

The Peace Officer Training certificate may be completed as a stand-alone program or part of the two-year Law Enforcement program. Students who pursue the Associate in Applied Science in Law Enforcement degree generally enroll in the Peace Officer Training Program early in the semester before the course being offered. Students who complete the POTP first can complete the AAS in Law Enforcement either on-campus or online. The Program is an academy-style setting. Students have physical fitness training every morning while classroom hours are held 9-5 Monday through Friday.

The Devils Lake program is the only NDUS location that offers on-campus room and board for POTP students.

CHOOSE YOUR PATH

If you want to enter a 4-year college or university after LRSC, you should do your research.

- Gather catalogs from your 4-year choice schools.
- You and your advisor can create a course plan.
- Work with your advisor to meet prerequisites with your electives for the AA or AS degree.
- Check with Student Services about transfer agreements LRSC has with your 4-year choice.

Are you considering a bachelor's degree? LRSC, Minot State University, and Mayville State University have articulation agreements to help students make a smooth transition into a Criminal Justice degree. Talk to your academic advisor for more information about program requirements.

TIPS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS



1. SCHEDULE TIME WITH YOUR ADVISOR immediately after term schedules is published to choose courses for upcoming semesters. Your advisor will help you select courses that meet core requirements.



2. SAVE MONEY BY CARRYING A HEAVIER COURSE LOAD. Discuss with your advisor if a heavy course load works for you and your schedule.



3. GET YOUR APPLICATION IN EARLY. To qualify for entry into the Peace Officer Training Program, candidates must complete the program's application process which includes an extensive background check, and a physical and psychological exam.



ND LOCATIONS

Lake Region State College is the only college in the state authorized to deliver a North Dakota POST police academy. It is offered at LRSC Main Campus in Devils Lake with additional locations in Grand Forks and West Fargo.



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POLICE ACADEMY
LOCATIONS IN ND

STUDENT FOCUSED

LRSC is among the best community colleges by Intelligent 2023. Our students receive individualized support and have access to a variety of support services to help achieve their academic goals.



98%

PLACEMENT RATES

SCHOLARSHIPS

\$425,000 are offered in scholarships annually. LRSC Community College Foundation funds these scholarships through contributions from loyal friends and supporters of LRSC.



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AVAILABLE IN
SCHOLARSHIPS

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE—FIRST YEAR (FALL)	CREDITS
CSCI 101: Introduction to Computers	3
ENGL 110: College Composition I	3
POLS 115: American Government	3
UNIV 101: Introduction to College Life	1
Program Electives*	3
SPRING	
CJ 201: Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
ENGL 120: College Composition II OR ENGL 125: Introduction to Professional Writing	3
Gen Ed Elective	3
Program Electives*	6
FALL	
COMM 110: Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
SOC 115: Social Problems OR SOC 235: Cultural Diversity	3
Program Electives*	9
SPRING	
CJ 101: Fundamentals of Law Enforcement	3
CJ 102: Investigation Techniques	2
CJ 104: Defensive Tactics	2
CJ 150: Patrol Procedures	3
CJ 155: Police Skills	4
HPER 165: First Responder	2
HPER 265: Physical Training	1
Total AAS Credits	minimum 60
Certificate Credits	17

Certificate Courses in bold

PROGRAM ELECTIVES

CJ 210: Introduction to Policing in America	PSYC 100: Human Relations in Organizations	SOC 235: Cultural Diversity
CJ 220: Criminal Law	PSYC 111: Introduction to Psychology	SOC 252: Criminology
HPER 100: Concepts of Fitness and Wellness	PSYC 270: Psychological Disorders & Treatment	SOC 253: Juvenile Delinquency
MATH 103: College Algebra	SOC 110: Introduction to Sociology	SOC 275: Native American Studies
POLS 236: American Constitution - Civil Liberties	SOC 115: Social Problems	

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