

LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY

HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER AT OTAY MESA

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Administration of justice and criminal justice are the study of theories, concepts, statutes, laws, procedures, and methodologies governing the criminal justice system. These programs explore the historical development of criminal law, the interrelationship between criminal law and the criminal justice system, and its contemporary application in juvenile and adult crime.

CAREER OPTIONS

Below is a sample of the career options available for the administration of justice or criminal justice majors. Many require an associate degree, some require a bachelor's degree, and a few of these require a graduate-level degree: adjudicator/judge, arson investigator, bar examiner, border patrol officer/INS agent, correctional officer, crime laboratory/evidence technologist, customs agent, district attorney, lawyer/prosecutor/public defender, forensic scientist, FBI/Treasury/Secret Service agent, U.S. Marshal, fraud/forgery investigator, parole/probation officer, police officer, sheriff, postal inspector, and traffic officer.

DEGREE/CERTIFICATE OPTIONS

MAJOR CODE

Certificate of Achievement

Law Enforcement Training Academy

02711

All students considering to apply with the SWC Police Academy must access the website and download the application and instructions. You may access the required application and supporting documents to the Police Academy at the Higher Education Center, Otay Mesa by the deadline listed on the website: www.swccd.edu/policeacademy.

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

CERTIFICATE

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CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

CAREER/TECHNICAL (MAJOR CODE: 02711)

The Basic Police Academy is a Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) certified training academy for California law enforcement. It meets the basic requirement for employment as a municipal, county, and state law enforcement officer. (State law requires completion of a POST-certified basic course for employment in law enforcement.) The academy is made up of two phases; phase I and phase II.

Student must apply to the Academy Office (Room 4315) approximately two months prior to the beginning of phase I. Acceptance into the academy requires that the student meets both College and state mandates. Those not meeting the mandates will not be allowed to enroll.

The units earned in the academy may be used towards graduation, and, in addition, a certificate will be awarded. The academy meets the requirements for veterans' benefits.

Note: This is a two-phase program, which requires 10 months to complete.

Program Student Learning Outcome Statement:

- Upon completion of this program, the student will demonstrate proficiency in multi-faceted communication skills, interviewing, assessing, interpreting data and making judgments related to potential and actual criminal events.
- Upon completion of this program, the student will demonstrate proficiency in all aspects of basic law enforcement procedures.
- Upon completion of this program, the student will demonstrate proficiency in working collegially with a diverse population in stressful environments.

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT:

The U.S. Department of Education requires colleges to disclose a variety of information for any financial aid eligible program that "prepares students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation."

Students who complete this program will have acquired the necessary analytical tools to successfully secure gainful employment in the field of study.

For more information regarding the data provided for this program and what it means to you as a student, please feel free to visit our SWC Gainful Employment website at: www.swccd.edu/gainfulemployment.

AJ 41	Basic Police Academy I	12.5
AJ 42	Basic Police Academy II	12.5
Total units		25

