

PUBLIC SERVICE

Technologies

Program

Marion Law Enforcement Academy (Peace Officer)

In order to become employed as a peace officer in Ohio, an individual must successfully complete the state-mandated training and pass the certification examination sponsored by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA); students complete specialized training to work as an Ohio Peace Officer.

Credential

Certificate

Two-quarter curriculum meeting Monday through Thursday evenings and Saturdays. Upon successful completion of all academy requirements, students will receive a certificate of completion from Marion Technical College and become eligible to take the OPOTC exam.

Projections

U.S. Department of Labor

Employment of police and detectives is expected to grow 11 percent over the 2006-16 decade, **about as fast as the average** for all occupations. A more security-conscious society and population growth will contribute to the increasing demand for police services.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES – What am I expected to learn?

- demonstrate an understanding of basic law enforcement skills, criminal justice techniques, and problem solving methodologies
- describe and apply current laws (federal, state, and municipal) to various situations involving crimes and/or civil offenses
- Apply learned information, concepts, and theories to successfully investigate crime/accident scenes, conduct interviews and interrogations, provide reports and courtroom testimony as needed, and interface with appropriate law enforcement professionals and/or agencies
- Demonstrate the safe and effective use of firearms, unarmed self-defense methods, and first aid

Admission

Standard

In addition to general College admission, the Marion Law Enforcement Academy requires individuals to meet specialized admission criteria such as a physical examination and background investigation.

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¹Short-Term Technical Certificate

Course No	Course Title	Credit Hours	Qtrs Offered	Pre-Requisites
FIRST QUARTER (Winter)				
CJA 2810A	Law Enforcement I	2	W	Academy enrollment
CJA 2820A	Law Enforcement II/Criminal Law	5	W	Academy enrollment
CJA 2830A	Law Enforcement III/Firearms	5	W	Academy enrollment
CJA 2840A	Law Enforcement IV	4	W	Academy enrollment
SECOND QUARTER (Spring)				
CJA 2850A	Law Enforcement V	4	Sp	Academy enrollment
CJA 2860A	Law Enforcement VI	4	Sp	Academy enrollment
CJA 2870A	Law Enforcement VII/Defensive Tactics	5	Sp	Academy enrollment
CRJ 2100A	Physical Conditioning	2	Sp	Academy enrollment
		Credit Hour Total	31	

¹ OBR Operating Manual for Two-Year Colleges, page 392.05