

## **ACADEMY FAQ'S**

### **1. How old do I have to be to attend the academy?**

You must be at least 18 years old, there is no maximum age.

### **2. Who is eligible to attend the academy?**

You must be free of felony convictions, possess a valid California Driver's License, and able to pass a Department of Justice clearance. Applications will be reviewed by the Academy Commander

### **3. Do I need a degree to attend the academy?**

No, A high school diploma or GED is required.

### **4. Is a PELET B required for the academy?**

Not for entry. The academy will host a PELET B test in Module III

### **5. What is the academy format?**

The academy is approximately 9 months long with 900+ hours of learning. It is set up in three modules (MOD III, MOD II, MOD I). There is approximately 1 week break in between Modules

### **6. Do I have to do all the Modules at once?**

No, there can be up to a year break between Modules. You may also attend different Modules at different academies.

### **7. What are the academy hours?**

Unlike an intensive academy, ours is on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5pm to 10pm, Saturdays from 6am to 5pm. This enables our Recruits to continue working or attending school during the day. The training is the same as the intensive format, only spread out over a longer period.

### **8. Can I miss any days of training?**

Much of the training is mandated, cannot be missed. We attempt to be as flexible as possible.

### **9. What type of job am I eligible for upon successful graduation?**

Completion of the academy allows the Recruit to apply for jobs such as Deputy Sheriff, Police Officer, and various State and County Investigator positions. The certificate is recognized throughout the State of California. Upon completion of Module II, recruits are eligible to work at various agencies as a Level II Reserve Officer. Many agencies recruit directly from the academy.

**10.Does the Academy provide equipment?**

The academy provides leather gear, baton, firearm, and various other gear to be used throughout the academy. Uniforms are provided by the Recruit and purchased at the Academy orientation.

**11.What is the cost of the academy?**

Total cost is approximately \$5500.00 Each Module is paid for separately prior to starting.

**12.Is financial aid available?**

No financial aid is available through the College. Veterans are eligible through Veterans Affairs on campus. Many National Guard Reserve unit commanders will accept the training in lieu of drill for weekends.

**13.Do I get college credits?**

Yes, approximately 13 units.

**14.How do I apply?**

Download the application from the academy website, obtain the required documents, and submit the completed paperwork to the academy via the website.

**15.Is there someone available to talk to if I have other questions?**

Yes. Academy Staff may be reached on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5pm to 9pm and on Saturdays from 8am to 2pm at 916-263-0525. A message may be left 24hrs a day, and the call will be returned on the next workday.