

Jefferson College Law Enforcement Academy

POST Only Option

The JCLEA POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training) class is only available for those applicants who already have a degree or have the general education prerequisites. The POST only class includes the required POST curriculum for a Class A POST License and requisites for a Certificate in Criminal Justice.

Included are specialized certifications in firearms, OC Pepper Spray, Expandable Baton, First Responder First Aid, Intoxilyzer ECIR/II Type III Operator, Standard Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), MULES and Taser.

The JCLEA POST only class is eight months long, beginning each October and graduates in July of the following year. Classes meet Monday through Thursday, 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. and two or three 8-hour Saturdays a month. Upon successful completion of the program, recruits earn a Certificate in Law Enforcement and are eligible to test for a Class "A" POST License.

For students who have not earned a previous degree, specific general education courses can serve as pre-requisites for the POST only program. The general education pre-requisites added to the POST only courses will combine to allow students to earn the Associate of Applied Science in Law Enforcement.

The general education courses required for the degree are:

- ENG 101 English Composition I (3 credit hours)
- HST 103 US History I, HST104 US History II or PSC 102 US & MO Gov't & Const. (3 credit hours)
- Humanities/Communications (3 credit hours)
- Math/Natural Science (6 credit hours)
- SOC 101 General Sociology (3 credit hours)
- SOC 250 Social Disorganization (3 credit hours)
- Electives (4 credit hours)
- Computer Literacy requirement (3 hours; students can either take a course or take the computer proficiency exam; course can be used toward required elective credit)

The Law Enforcement Academy is a competitive entrance program. Meeting the pre-requisites does not guarantee your acceptance into the program. The above courses are the minimum requirements accepted. Additional college - level coursework may also be considered in the application and evaluation process. A separate application process is required for the LEA POST Only program. Applicants must meet certain standards for admission due to the legal, academic, and practical demands of a curriculum that prepares graduates for Missouri State POST certification as well as a career in law enforcement.