Law Enforcement Academy

The purpose of the Vernon College Law Enforcement Academy is to serve the needs of the law enforcement community within our service area and to provide students with the basic knowledge and skills set forth in the 643 hour Basic Peace Officer Course. Our Academy is 704 hours; classes are generally from 6:00 pm. - 10:00 pm. Monday through Friday and all day on various Saturdays.

The Academy will be held on the Wichita Falls Campus STC, 2813 Central Freeway E. Wichita Falls, Texas. Emphasis throughout the Academy is placed on the learning objectives set forth in the curriculum by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. All Academies licensed by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement cover the material put forth in the mandated 643 hour curriculum.

If you have questions after reviewing the Application Packet, please contact Mike Hopper at 940 689-7190. The Academy packet must be complete and turned into Mike Hopper for reviewed prior to registration. Need based scholarships are available for those who qualify.

If you need assistance in filling out the application, please contact Mike Hopper at 940 689-7190.

In accordance with Commission regulations, the Basic Peace Officer course shall consist of a minimum of 643 classroom hours.

Academy Topics
Introduction and Orientation
1. Fitness and Wellness, and Stress Management
2. Professional Policing
3. Professionalism and Ethics
4. U.S. & Texas Constitutions, Bill of Rights, and Criminal Justice System
5. Multiculturalism and Human Relations
6. Code of Criminal Procedure
7. Arrest, Search, and Seizure
8. Penal Code
9. Traffic
10. Intoxicated Driver and SFST
11. Civil Process
12. Alcoholic Beverage Code
13. Health and Safety Code – Controlled Substances Act
15. Written Communication
16. Spanish
17. Force Options
18. Mechanics of Arrest
19. Firearms
20. Emergency Medical Assistance
21. Emergency Communications
22. Professional Police Driving
23. Communication and Problem Solving
24. Patrol/Consular Notification
25. Victims of Crime
26. Family Violence and Related Assaultive Offenses
27. Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) and Mental Health Code
28. Hazardous Materials Awareness
29. Criminal Investigation
30. Racial Profiling
31. Asset Forfeiture
32. Identity Crimes
33. TCLEOSE Rules Overview
XX Pepper Spray
XX Basic Police Doppler Radar

Application can also be found at…
http://www.vernoncollege.edu/ContinuingEducationTemplate.aspx?id=3525&libID=3535

Requirements
High school diploma or, high school equivalency certificate or, an honorable discharge from the armed forces of the United States after at least 24 months of active duty service, is fingerprinted and is subjected to a search of local, state and U.S. national records and fingerprint files to disclose any criminal record

Has never been on court-ordered community supervision or probation for any criminal offense above the grade of a Class B misdemeanor or a Class B misdemeanor within the last ten years from the date of the court order.

Has never been convicted of an offense above the grade of a Class B misdemeanor or a Class B misdemeanor within the last ten years.

Has never been convicted of any family violence offense.

No felony conviction.

Is not prohibited by state or federal law from operating a motor vehicle.

Is not prohibited by state or federal law from possessing firearms or ammunition.

Is a U.S. citizen. 21 Years old by graduation
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704-HOUR BASIC PEACE OFFICER COURSE

New Class Starts September 2014
Requirements posted in June 2014 on web site: Vernon College LEA

Class of 2011

Class of 2012

Class of 2013

2013 Graduates
Joseph Baker
Wise Co Sheriff’s Office
Amanda Bessent
Wichita Co Sheriff’s Office
Paul Blodgett
Hardeman Co Sheriff’s Office
Conner Brown
Bridgeport Police Department
Justin Galliton
Iowa Park Police Department
Paul Magers
Jacksboro Police Department
Stacie McCray
Wichita Co Sheriff’s Office
Samantha Muncy
Wichita Co Sheriff’s Office
William Norris
Clay Co Sheriff’s Office
Scott Schenck
Iowa Park Police Department
Jim Wallace
Archer Co Const Pt 2
Cody Wood
Wise Co Sheriff’s Office
Taylor Yager
Iowa Park Police Department

For more information about graduation rates, median loan debt, program costs, and placement rates, visit www.vernoncollege.edu.