

Porterville College
Administration of Justice Proposed Program Updates

Law Enforcement Officer Reserve Certificate of Achievement (17.5 units)

The Law Enforcement Officer Reserve program is designed to serve students seeking either to enter or enhance their existing careers in the law enforcement profession. The courses in the program will provide foundational knowledge for a person to enter the profession of law enforcement as a level III or level II Reserve Officer.

This certificate will be obtained through completion of Porterville College's Law Enforcement Academy modules III and II.

ADMJ 103E - Ethics in the American Justice System (3.0 units)

Ethics in the American Justice System presents an introduction to the ethical issues arising in the field of law, addressing the methodology by which resolutions are reached within ethical deliberations, and exploring the personal and societal implications of decision-making. The course focuses on the judicial system as an institution, the philosophy of the legal system, criminality, liability, corrections, the role of law enforcement and current legal issues.

Modern Police Science Associate Degree (60 units)

The Associate of Science in Modern Police Science is designed to fulfill a portion of the state requirements for future employment as a full time, sworn peace officer, while preparing students to continue studies toward a B.A. or B.S. degree in a discipline of their choosing. Students who pursue a Modern Police Science degree enjoy a wealth of career options in the field of law enforcement.

Modern Police Science Bachelor's Degree (120 units) *Application for Degree in Progress

The Bachelor's in Modern Police Science would benefit students seeking employment as peace officers in California, and existing law enforcement professionals looking to fulfill educational requirements for advancement within their organization.

Topics within the degree may include (not limited to) upper and lower division coursework in ethics, criminal law, report writing, communications, juvenile delinquency, english composition, crime and inequality, evidence and investigations, narcotics, legal aspects of corrections, domestic violence, and sociology / psychology.

Relevant Legislative Changes

CA Assembly Bill 89, also known as the Peace Officers Education and Age Conditions for Employment Act (PEACE Act) passed in September of 2021. The primary changes to existing legislation are as follows:

- Raising the minimum age of peace officers to 21.
- Requiring both the modern policing degree program and bachelor's degree in a chosen discipline as minimum requirements for employment as a peace officer (2025).

CA Assembly Bill 927 - the Public Postsecondary Education: Community Colleges: Statewide Baccalaureate Degree Program allows community college districts to seek approval to offer a baccalaureate degree program. This bill passed in October of 2021.

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New PC Academy Website:

<https://www.portervillecollege.edu/porterville-college-law-enforcement-academy>

ADMJ Modern Police Science (AS)

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Identify the procedures involved in the American justice system from arrest to release.
2. Analyze the importance of the inter-cooperation between courts, corrections, and law enforcement within the American justice system.
3. Demonstrate critical thinking skills and cultural awareness through the scholarly analysis of important periods in American history.
4. Analyze organizational and institutional ethics within the American justice system, especially as they pertain to modern policing.

Associate Degree Description

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Associate Degree Major Requirements

Required courses within ADMJ:

ADMJ 101 - Public Safety Report Writing	3.0 units
ADMJ 102 - Introduction to Administration of Justice	3.0 units
ADMJ 103E - Ethics in the American Justice System	3.0 units
ADMJ 107 - Exploring Contemporary Multicultural Issues	3.0 units
ADMJ 117 - Police Operations	3.0 units

Select **one** of the following major related electives:

ADMJ 104 - Criminal Law	3.0 units
ADMJ 121 - Juvenile Delinquency	3.0 units
ADMJ 123 - Constitutional Rights of the Accused	3.0 units

**In addition to the above "major specific" courses, students must complete the rest of the CSU GE or IGETC pattern requirements.*

**Students will eventually need to complete the Law Enforcement Academy to be eligible for employment as a sworn peace officer in the state of California.*

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Law, Justice, and Ethics Advisory Board Support

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Advisory Board Vote: 12 yes
 0 no

Total members present: 12

The law, justice, and ethics advisory board was presented with the above information, and the signed parties voted in support of the proposed changes at Porterville College.