

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

BASIC PEACE OFFICER CERTIFICATE (POLICE ACADEMY) COMPLETION PLAN

The Basic Peace Officer Course Certificate (Program) offered by the Navarro College Police Academy (NCPA) consists of 779 total hours, of which 720 is required by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) curriculum. There are 42 topics of instruction ranging in length from 1 hour of classroom time to 74 hours. The program includes training in the following areas: current Penal and Traffic Laws, Crash Investigation, Standardized Field Sobriety Testing, Defensive Tactics, First Aid/ Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), Patrol Tactics, Firearms and Police Driving and many others.

The Navarro College Police Academy program is designed to prepare students to pass the Peace Officer licensing exam given at the end of the program. An additional 59 hours of training is provided and includes, a 14-week Physical Training Program (27 hours), 8 hours of extended skills training for active shooter scenario training and 8 hours of Oleoresin Capsicum (OC)/Pepper Spray Training. Sixteen hours of comprehensive review for the State Licensing Exam is provided at the completion of the Academy.

A glossary defining terms related to Course Sections is accessible on the [Catalog Course Description](#) page.

- CJLE 1006 BASIC PEACE OFFICER I 175
- CJLE 1012 BASIC PEACE OFFICER II 175
- CJLE 1018 BASIC PEACE OFFICER III 175
- CJLE 1024 BASIC PEACE OFFICER IV 175
- CJLE 1029 BASIC PEACE OFFICER V 79

Admission to Navarro College is a separate procedure from admission to the Navarro College Police Academy. Eligible applicants must first meet all admission criteria for Navarro College. Applicants are then required to submit a Police Academy Application and Personal History Statement to the Police Academy Coordinator, schedule a Fingerprint Applicant Services of Texas (FAST) Fingerprint appointment, and take the Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSI) test. Exemptions for the TSI test are listed in the catalog.

Admission Requirements

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Must be 21 years of age, or 21 years of age by the graduation date of the Academy
- A student 18 years of age or older is eligible for licensing if the student:
 1. Has received an Associate's Degree or 60 semester hours from an accredited college or university; or
 2. Has received an Honorable Discharge from the Armed Forces of the United States after at least two (2) years of service
 - No Class B Misdemeanor convictions in the past 10 years
 - No Class A Misdemeanor or felony convictions
 - No conviction or community supervision for any family violence offense
 - Applicants must pass a physical examination, a psychological examination, and a drug screen immediately submitted to the Academy upon completion
 - High School diploma or General Educational Development (GED) required
 - Must not be prohibited by law from operating a motor vehicle
 - Must not be prohibited by state or federal law from possessing firearms or ammunition
 - Cannot have a dishonorable discharge from the military

Completed Application with Supporting Documents

Candidates application should include:

- Completed and notarized Navarro College Police Academy Application
- Completed and notarized Personal History Statement
- FAST Fingerprint submission
- TCOLE L-2 Form (with drug results) and L-2 Notice of Duties form
- TCOLE L-3 Form and L-3 Notice of Duties Form
- Color copy of driver's license
- Copy of social security card (front and back)
- Copy of high school transcript/diploma or proof of GED
- Copy of military DD214 (if applicable)
- Copy of TSI exam score
- Copy of birth certificate, U.S. passport, or documentation showing U.S. citizenship

Please note: With an additional 12 hour course credit completed with Navarro College, and completion of the Police Academy, students may initiate paperwork with the Police Academy Coordinator or the Department Chair of Criminal Justice to articulate credit towards a Criminal Justice certificate or associates degree. Courses that will be awarded through the articulation process are CJLE 2420, CJLE 2421, and CJLE 2522. All in-service courses are accredited by TCOLE and are offered year-round through the Navarro College Police Academy.

COURSES THAT WILL BE AWARDED THROUGH THE ARTICULATION PROCESS

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
CJLE 2420	Texas Police Officer Procedures	4
CJLE 2421	Texas Peace Officer Law	4
CJLE 2522	Texas Peace Officer Skills	5
Total Credit Hours		13
Program Total Credit Hours		13

Navarro College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. Navarro College also may offer credentials such as certificates and diplomas at approved degree levels. Questions about the accreditation of Navarro College may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on [SACSCOC's website](#).