



Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Ohio Peace Officer Basic Certificate Program

The Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (O.P.O.T.A.) certification is one of the most popular Hocking College certificate programs and can be earned in just one semester. Join our graduates who earn O.P.O.T.A. certification and are immediately eligible for full-time employment.

Students will apply direct, hands-on practice in our unique classrooms, including our crime lab, firing range and police cruisers. With experienced, certified instructors and hands-on application, our students consistently achieve passing rates on the state-certified exam.



PROGRAM PRE-REQUISITES

This certificate program requires 100% participation and includes some night, evening, and weekend courses. In order to begin this program, students must complete a Pre-PT test, a background check, and a drug test. In order to move forward in their careers, students must also pass a state test following the completion of the program. Students will not be able to become a Peace Officer until they are at least 18 years of age and they must be able to pass regular drug screenings.

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Students can continue their education in a bachelor degree program through our articulation agreements with other colleges in Ohio including Ohio University, Franklin University, and the University of Cincinnati, as well as across the country.

EMPLOYMENT

The average salary of a Police Officer in 2020 was \$67,290. The local average salary ranges from \$40,000 - \$80,000. Examples of places where Hocking College alumni have worked or are currently working include the following:

**Ohio Investigative Unit • City of Athens Police Department • Ohio State Highway Patrol •
Athens County Sheriff's Department • Ohio Department of Natural Resources • Lake County Metro Parks •
Lancaster Police Department • Fairfield County Sheriff's Office**

ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING

Hocking College offers all-inclusive pricing and works with students to assure they have complete college funding, including financial aid, before they start classes. All-inclusive pricing includes the following:

PER SEMESTER

\$300.....Learning Fee
\$20.....Health Center Services
\$75.....Career Center Services

Not Included in the All-Inclusive Pricing

\$53.....Parking
Pricing for housing and meal plans can be found at hocking.edu/residence-halls.

DEGREE TRACK

2024/2025 Academic Year

SCHEDULE	COURSE	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOURS	COURS FEES
16 Weeks	PSCI-2255	Peace Officer Basic Academy	18.00	\$4,360
		SEMESTER TOTAL	18.00	
		IN-STATE TUITION & FEES		\$7,070
		OUT-OF-STATE TUITION & FEES		\$9,385
		TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	18.00	
		TOTAL IN-STATE TUITION & FEES		\$7,070.00
		TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE TUIION & FEES		\$9,385.00

**All courses and course fees are subject to change. Visit us online to see the most up-to-date curriculum and pricing for this program.*

QUESTIONS? CONTACT ME.

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