SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

STUDENT SERVICES ADMISSIONS - BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

Procedure 6.01.01.07

The North Carolina Basic Law Enforcement Training is a State accredited program designed to prepare entry level individuals with the cognitive and physical skills to become certified police officers and deputy sheriffs.

To be accepted into the Southwestern Community College Basic Law Enforcement Training program students must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Complete a Basic Law Enforcement Training application and submit it to the Public Safety Training Center indicating the session for which the applicant is applying.
- 2. Applicant must be at least 20 years of age or older.
- 3. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States of America.
- 4. Applicant must be a high school graduate or have earned a high school equivalency.
- 5. A letter of sponsorship must be submitted from a North Carolina law enforcement agency signed by the Chief or Sheriff which states that: a) the applicant's character is appropriate for the law enforcement profession, and b) that a background check has been performed (preferably with histories attached) and that no reason was found to deny sponsorship. This letter must be on agency letterhead. NOTE: The sponsor has the right to withdraw sponsorship based on the trainee's actions.
- 6. A medical form from the Department of Justice provided to the applicant by the College, must be completed by a physician and submitted to the College. The physical should not have been performed more than six (6) months prior to the beginning date of the session applied to attend.
- 8. Attend the Orientation scheduled four weeks prior to the beginning of the session. At that time, a reading comprehension test will be administered. All applicants must score a minimum of a 10th grade reading level to be admitted to the program.

Cross Reference: 6.01.01 – Admissions

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