



FAQs for UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGEMENT (PSM)

As part of our 50 year heritage serving the needs of working adult students in Northwest Indiana and Chicagoland, we recognize the challenges that often face the returning adult student: hectic professional lives, family commitments, social activities, and a host of other obligations. To overcome these barriers, the PSM program is designed to prepare our students for career advancement with the fields of law enforcement, public safety and private security.

How does the program work?

A group of students called a learning cohort is enrolled. This group will remain together throughout the duration of the program, allowing students to develop bonds that serve to strengthen and support academic, social, and professional achievement.

How long does it take to complete the degree?

It takes students approximately 24 months to complete the degree by attending one four-hour class session each week.

When do the classes meet?

Chicago courses in the program are “mirrored”. Mirrored courses allow students to attend either a morning or evening session of class each week. This eliminates the time barriers posed by shift changes and court appearances. Students can attend whichever class session is most convenient each week. NWI and Chicagoland sessions are typically evening only sessions.

Where do classes meet?

Classes are held in:

- **NWI** - Northwest Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (NILEA)
705 East 4th Street.
Hobart, IN 46342
- **Chicago** - Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT)
10 West 35th Street
Chicago, IL 60616
Chicago Police Academy (CPA)
1300 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60607
- **Chicago Heights** - Chicago Heights Police Department
1601 South Halsted Street.
Chicago, IL

How much does the program cost?

Eliminating the annual increase in college tuition costs, enrolled students are locked into a tuition charge that will not increase during the duration of the program. Tuition charges of \$25,440 (\$690 per credit hour for 2014-2015, subject to change) include all books. Other minimal fees include a technology fee of \$100 per semester and a \$30 student association fee. (Technology Fee and Student Association Fee not paid by Reimbursement Programs)

Who teaches in this program?

Instructors in the program are academically qualified faculty who have previous or current law enforcement experience and/or experts in their field of study.

What courses will I take?

Students will take a series of 14 courses. Each of these courses is 6 weeks long. Topics include Leadership & Crisis Management, Criminal Procedure & Constitutional Law, Terrorism: The Public Safety Response and others.

What do I need to get accepted?

Applicants to the Public Safety Management program must:

- Complete the application process
- Submit transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, certificates and or Military records

What do I do next?

Your first step is to complete the online application for admission at www.ccsj.edu. Please request official transcripts from all institutions of higher learning that you have attended.

For further information regarding the program, please contact Dino J. Ramirez in the Office of Enrollment Management at (219) 473-4202 or dramirez1@ccsj.edu.