



DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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Application for P.O.S.T. Command College Class 69

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) is now accepting applications for Command College Class 69, which is scheduled to begin in December of 2020.

Command College is a leadership and futures-oriented course for management level law enforcement officers and professional staff designed to prepare law enforcement leaders of today for the future. The program provides an intense curriculum while stimulating thoughtful discussions, creating an experience that will benefit the student and those working with them.

The program is 14 months in length, with discretionary time between sessions required to complete the futures project and a journal article. The seven sessions of the core program are scheduled approximately eight weeks apart with a six-month break before the last session. Command College sessions are held in San Diego.

Individuals interested in attending Command College must satisfy the following minimum qualifications at the time of application:

All Applicants must:

- Be currently employed in a management position or higher, as determined by POST, with an agency in the POST regular or specialized program
- Have a minimum of two years' experience in a leadership position (comparable to a lieutenant or higher) with the ability to influence policy or impact the operation of the agency
- Be involved in community and professional activities
- Possess a **college degree** or a minimum of **60 units** of college credits and demonstrate the ability to research and write at a commensurate academic level
- Be able to express an understanding of the dynamics of leadership in a law enforcement agency, both in writing and verbally
- Display interest in major issues and concerns facing the future of California law enforcement
- Receive a written nomination by your agency chief executive to attend the program
- Receive a written recommendation from a leader in your community who can provide firsthand knowledge of your leadership skills
- Complete and submit a comprehensive POST application packet
- Be interviewed by a panel of Command College graduates and receive their recommendation to attend the program
- Agree to stay at the course site during each session
- Commit to remain in law enforcement for a minimum of three years after completion of the Command College program
- Attendance is required at all class sessions. No make-up of hours will be allowed, except under extenuating emergency situations.

A Command College application in Microsoft Word format is available for download from the POST website. You may use the following link to direct you to the application section of the website, <https://post.ca.gov/command-college>. Questions about Command College may be directed to the Program Analyst, Jennifer Van (916) 227-4853 / jennifer.van@post.ca.gov.

Members wishing to be considered for nomination to Command College should submit a memorandum of interest and the completed Command College application through their chain of command to Deputy Chief of Administration. The memorandum should describe the applicant's interest and reasons for seeking nomination to the program. Final selection will be made by the Chief of Police.

Memorandums and applications are due no later than 14 days after date of department notice.

Command College Class 69

Session 1: December 6-11, 2020

Session 2: February 22-26, 2021

Session 3: April 12-16, 2021

Session 4: June 14-18, 2021

Session 5: August 9-13, 2021

Session 6: October 18-22, 2021

Session 7: March 9-11, 2022


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