

**Request to Offer**

**College Elective Credit for  
Completion of a Non-credit Certificate  
for  
Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST)**



**Prepared for  
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## **Section I: The Request**

Dixie State College of Utah proposes to grant elective Criminal Justice credit for those students completing POST requirements in Special Function Officer training and/or Law Enforcement Officer training. DSC proposes to grant six credits for officers successfully completing the Special Function Officer training and thirteen credits for officers successfully completing the Law Enforcement Officer training.

In the 2008/2009 school year, the Special Function Officer program required 200 hours of instruction time and the Law Enforcement Officer program required 396 hours. Although most of the instruction is lecture based, the proposed ratio for credit is 30 hours of instruction for one credit hour awarded. Both the Special Function Officer and Law Enforcement Officer credit awards are well within the credit guidelines at six and thirteen credit hours respectively. (See appendix A for Special Function Officer and Law Enforcement Officer course subject matter and instructional hours.)

Students applying to receive credit from either Special Function Officer or Law Enforcement Officer training must be registered at DSC and be a declared Criminal Justice major (as a part of the DSC/SUU partnership in Criminal Justice) or they must be working on their Associate Degree in Criminal Justice at DSC.

## **Section II: Need**

The primary purpose of this request is to assist prospective Criminal Justice majors in obtaining credit for training received through POST and to assist those students in receiving financial aid for such instruction.

The DSC proposal mirrors similar credit awards at both Utah Valley University and Salt Lake Community College. UVU provides seven credit hours for the Special Function Officer training and eleven credit hours for the Law Enforcement Officer training. SLCC awards twelve hours for the Special Function Officer training and twelve credit hours for the Law Enforcement Officer training.

## **Section III: Institutional Impact**

Awarding these credit hours will assist the Criminal Justice program by providing additional enrollments; however, it should not affect other instructional programs at DSC because the credits are awarded only for the Criminal Justice Degree. Additionally, most students taking POST training are interested in pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice. Furthermore, granting this credit should not affect existing facilities in any substantial way, nor will it require additional equipment or supplies. The major impact outside the Criminal Justice program would come from some additional administrative work in the Registrar's and the Financial Aid offices in awarding and processing requests.

#### **Section IV: Finances**

Students enrolling in the Special Function Officer and/or Law Enforcement Officer training will not be required to pay tuition but are required to pay for the POST training fee of \$1,550 for the Special Function Officer training and/or \$3,400 for the Law Enforcement Officer training.

## Appendix A

### Course of Instruction 2008-2009 Special Function Officer

Course ID	Name Of Class	Hours
FND.1010	Ethics-Leadership & Officer Discretion	2
FND.1011	Ethics-Professionalism, Decertification	2
FND.1012	Ethics-Unlawful Harassment, Cultural Competency	2
FND.1013	Ethics-Ethical & Moral Standards, Gratuities	2
FND.1014	Ethics-Professional Communications & Appearance	2
FND.1015	Ethics-Reporting Officer Misconduct, Code of Ethics	2
FND.1020	Introduction to U.S. and State Constitutions	2
FND.1030	Introduction to Criminal Justice System	2
FND.1040	Introduction to Utah Criminal Code	2
FND.1050	Introduction to Utah Court Systems	2
FND.1060	Introduction to Defensive Tactics	4
CORE.1010	Report Writing	4
CORE.1020	Radio Communications	2
CORE.1030	Media Relations	1
CORE.1040	BCI/AFIS	1
CORE.1050	Hazardous Materials Response	2
CORE.1060	Emergency Medical Response	2
CORE.1070	First Aid/CPR	7
CORE.1080	Healthy Lifestyles-Physical Fitness	3
CORE.1081	Healthy Lifestyles-Stress Management	2
LAW.1010	Laws of Arrest	4
LAW.1020	Laws of Search and Seizure	6
LAW.1030	Laws of Evidence	4
LAW.1040	Laws of Reasonable Force	2
LAW.1050	Liability of Peace Officers	2
LAW.1060	Crimes Against Persons I	4
LAW.1061	Crimes Against Persons II	2
LAW.1070	Crimes Against Property I	3
LAW.1071	Crimes Against Property II	4
LAW.1080	Crimes Against Family	1
LAW.1090	Crimes Against Administration of Government	1
LAW.1100	Crimes Against Public Order and Decency	2
LAW.1110	Controlled Substance Law	2
LAW.1120	Alcohol Law	2
LAW.1130	Juvenile Law	4
DT.1010	Approaching Subjects Position of Interview	1
DT.1020	Prone Searching and Cuffing	3
DT.1030	Standing Search, Cuffing, Take Downs	4
DT.1040	Low Profile Search, Cuffing, Take Downs	3
DT.1050	Weaponless Defense Techniques - Part 1	4

DT.1060	Escort and Transport Position	1
DT.1070	Sudden and In-Custody Deaths	2
PTRL.1010	Gang Awareness	2
PTRL.1160	Reality Based Application Scenario's	8
PTRL.1020	Conflict Resolution	12
INV.1010	Basic Interview and Interrogation	4
INV.1020	Preliminary Investigations	4
INV.1030	Crime Scene Protection and Search	6
INV.1040	Collection and Preservation of Evidence	6
INV.1050	Victimology	4
INTX.1010	Basic Drug Recognition and Familiarization	2
	<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>157</b>

### SUMMARY

Category	Hours
Course Work	157
Physical Training	16
Administration	4
Quiz and Review	8
Certification Testing	4
Physical Testing	3
Practical Testing	4
Instructor Concept Review	4
	<b>200</b>

## LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER COURSE OF INSTRUCTION 2008 - 2009

Course ID	Name Of Class	Hours
FND.1070*	Introduction to Emergency Vehicle Operations*	6
FND.1080	Introduction to Firearms Handling	4
FND.1090	Introduction to Scenario Training	2
CORE.1011	Report Writing II	4
CORE.1090	Court Demeanor and Testifying	4
LAW.1140	Civil Disputes	2
LAW.1150	Traffic Law	7
LAW.1160	Driver License Law & Hearings	2
DT.1051	Weaponless Defense Techniques-Part II	16
DT.1080	Kneeling Search/Cuffing/Take Downs	2
DT.1090	Weapon Protection and Retention	4
DT.1100	Ground Tactics	4
FORC.1010	Impact Weapon	6
PTRL.1030	Patrol Concepts	2
PTRL.1040	Critical Incident Response	8
PTRL.1050	Mental Conditioning For Combat	4
PTRL.1060	Pedestrian/Vehicle Stop & Approach	4



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**Institution Submitting Proposal:** Dixie State College

**School affected:** Arts, and Letters

**Department affected:** Humanities

**Change Description:** Granting of college credit for POST Training

**Proposed Beginning Date:** Fall Semester, 2009

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