PEACE OFFICER DIPLOMA

Purpose: The Peace Officer program is designed to satisfy all pre-license requirements of the Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). Graduates are prepared for careers as police officers, deputy sheriff's, corrections officers, security and other law enforcement positions. An additional career path includes training toward a conservation officer, which would include a two-year program such as Environmental Science at RCTC.

The Associate in Science Peace Officer Transfer Pathway degree, Associate in Applied Science degree and the Diploma program satisfy requirements to become MN POST Board Exam eligible. Graduates seeking employment as a Police Officer will be required to pass the POST exam.

Award

Peace Officer Diploma.....39 credits total
Peace Officer curriculum..... 39 credits

RECOMMENDED FULL-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE

Not all courses are scheduled every semester. See course schedule: https://eservices.minnstate.edu/registration/search/basic.html?campusid=306.

Semester 1		Semester 2	
CRJU 1305 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3cr	POFC 2125 Community Policing and Service	3 cr
OR	**OR**	CRJU 2127 Juvenile Law and Procedures	3 cr
POFE 1105 Introduction to Peace Officers & Criminal Justice	3 cr	POFS 2101 Crime Scene Investigation	2 cr
		POFS 2102 Traffic Enforcement	3 cr
POFE 1112 Introduction to Criminal Investigation	3 cr	POFS 2103 Defensive Tactics	2 cr
POFC 2119 Minnesota Criminal and Traffic Statutes	3 cr	POFS 2104 Firearms for SKILLS	2 cr
POFC 2121 Human Behavior and Ethics for Peace Officers	3 cr	POFS 2105 Patrol Practicals	3 cr
		Total Credits	**18**
CRJU 2122 Criminal Procedure	3 cr		
PHED 1189 Boot Camp	1 cr		
EMC 1121 First Responders	2 cr		
Total Credits	**18**		
Semester 3			
SOC 2625 Minority Group Relations	3cr		
Total Credits	**3**		

Course descriptions can be found at: https://www.rctc.edu/academics/courses/course-descriptions.