



DC Police Officer Training

Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) is pleased to announce a new partnership with the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) Community College, to provide an opportunity for qualified men and women to obtain their associate degree and become a police officer with the DC Police.

Through this program, individuals may complete the police hiring process to determine eligibility. MPD requires 60 college credits to be considered for employment as a police officer. If selected, individuals would then be accepted into the **DC Police Officer Training Cohort**, but would not be employed by MPD until their successful completion of the requisite 60 college credits. This special cohort will start on a periodic basis (first class starting in September of 2019). Individuals will attend classes nights/weekends through UDC Community College for an approximate 18-month period.

In coordination with UDC Community College, participants in this cohort will take two eight-week classes simultaneously throughout the year. Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6pm – 10pm hours and Saturdays from 9:30am – 12:20pm. This includes a "Special Topics" course taught jointly by MPD and UDC, discussing current challenges in law enforcement.

Upon successful completion of their 60 college credits, each participant completes an updated police background check and is hired as full-time police officer recruit. Once hired, each participant will receive a salary of \$58,163. New recruits will enroll in the Metropolitan Police Academy to complete their training. UDC Community College has worked with MPD to offer an additional five (5) credits for participants in this program to obtain their Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Law Enforcement after successful completion of the Police Training Academy¹. Thus, participants in this program will both graduate from the Police Training Academy and would also earn their associate degree.

UDC Community College provides affordable education and MPD is working with our governmental partners to make scholarship and affordable loan opportunities available. UDC Community College has a variety of tuition assistance and scholarship opportunities available. Attend an interest session to learn more.

The UDC Community College MPD Police Officer Training Cohort allows participants to secure meaningful employment as a DC police officer while obtaining their associate degree. Participants have the opportunity to obtain practical application of classroom topics through the strong partnership between UDC Community College and MPD. The cohort model allows for a dynamic and supportive learning environment. Apply today via <http://joinmpd.dc.gov/UDC-POTC>.

¹ This requires participants to have obtained all sixty credits through UDC Community College or through relevant transfer credits.



See what MPD has to offer: JOINMPD.DC.GOV/UDC-POTC



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