Eastern Missouri Police Academy

Police Leadership and Command Preparatory Academy

This course is designed to prepare first-line supervisors, field training officers, or anyone an agency identifies as having leadership qualities for future professional development, ultimately future consideration for a command staff position. The best professionals from across the region will share their knowledge one week a month, over six months, through lecture, practical application exercises, case studies, and panel discussions to foster personal and professional growth in each attendee.

Graduates say: "PLCPA provided me with knowledge in areas of resource allocation, budgeting, and critical incident management. The assignments enhanced my research skills and public speaking abilities. PLCPA gave me an advantage in a recent promotional process because I was able to share knowledge of many command level topics."

"You will benefit from a deep dive into budgeting, purchasing and procurement, human resources, and the regulations that govern and protect the employees you supervise. The course also covers critical topics like officer-involved shootings, critical incident response, managing major events, and case studies from our region presented by supervisors involved in these investigations. This comprehensive course encourages you to think about how you will handle various situations you are likely to face and highlights best practices to ensure your success when, not if, they occur.

Curriculum Outline

Week 1: September 21–25, 2026
Patrol Ops Administrative Tasks

Week 2: October 26–30, 2026
Patrol Ops/Support Services Administrative Tasks

Week 3: November 30 – December 4, 2026
Support Services Administrative Tasks

Week 4: January 25–29, 2027
Professional Standards Administrative Tasks

Week 5: February 22–26, 2027
Professional Standards/Office of the Chief Administrative Tasks

Week 6: March 15–19, 2027
Culminating Project Presentation/ Defense, Commencement (March 19, 2027 2:00 pm)

Monday–Friday: 0800–1700

Business Casual Attire Required

Laptop Required

Tuition

Member Agency: $1,500
Non-Member Agency: $3,500

Participants will receive up to 232 hours of POST continuing education credit upon successful completion of the Academy.

Additionally, those that successfully complete the Academy can receive up to 27 undergraduate hours towards a bachelor's degree OR 6 graduate hours towards a master's degree at Lindenwood University.

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