

# 2023-2024 TTC Catalog

## Police Pre-Academy Training

The Police Pre-Academy Training (PPAT) certification is for individuals who seek to become employed as a law enforcement officer in South Carolina and become Class-1 Certified Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) through the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA) and the Law Enforcement Training Council (LETC) pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws Chapter 23.

### Major Requirements

CRJ 281 Police Science I 3  
CRJ 282 Police Science II 3  
CRJ 283 Police Science III 3  
CRJ 284 Police Science IV 3

Total: 12

### Admission Requirements\*

Entry into the program requires the following:

1. Must be a U.S. Citizen.
2. Must be a high school graduate or have an equivalency.
3. Must successfully pass a criminal background check.
4. Must be at least 20 years of age to enter program.

\*Individual does not have to be currently employed with a law enforcement agency to enter the PPAT program but will have to become employed with a SC Law Enforcement Agency prior to attending the 8-week academy program in Columbia. The individual does not have to be 21 years old to enter the program but should not be more than a year away from turning 21 when entering the program. Agencies will still have the option to hire someone and put them through their own pre-academy certification process incurring their own time and costs, if they choose.