



SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY MASTER TRAINING SCHEDULE 2026 – 2027

2026-2027 BASIC LAW MANDATED TRAINING SCHEDULE

Basic Law Class	Start (Sunday Report Date)	Graduation
BLE 863	July 12, 2026	September 04, 2026
BLE 864	July 26, 2026	September 18, 2026
BLE 865	August 09, 2026	October 02, 2026
BLE 866	August 23, 2026	October 16, 2026
BLE 867	September 06, 2026	October 30, 2026
BLE 868	September 20, 2026	November 13, 2026
BLE 869	October 04, 2026	December 04, 2026
BLE 870	October 18, 2026	December 18, 2026
BLE 871	November 01, 2026	January 15, 2027
BLE 872	November 15, 2026	January 29, 2027
BLE 873	December 06, 2026	February 12, 2027
BLE 874	January 03, 2027	February 26, 2027
BLE 875	January 17, 2027	March 12, 2027
BLE 876	January 31, 2027	March 26, 2027
BLE 877	February 14, 2027	April 09, 2027
BLE 878	February 28, 2027	April 23, 2027
BLE 879	March 14, 2027	May 07, 2027
BLE 880	March 28, 2027	May 21, 2027
BLE 881	April 11, 2027	June 04, 2027
BLE 882	April 25, 2027	June 18, 2027
BLE 883	May 09, 2027	July 02, 2027
BLE 884	May 23, 2027	July 23, 2027
BLE 885	June 06, 2027	August 06, 2027
BLE 886	June 20, 2027	August 20, 2027

2026-2027 BASIC DETENTION MANDATED TRAINING SCHEDULE

Basic Detention Class	Dates (Sunday Report Date)	Graduation
Basic Detention 490	July 26, 2026	August 14, 2026
Basic Detention 491	August 23, 2026	September 11, 2026
Basic Detention 492	September 20, 2026	October 09, 2026
Basic Detention 493	October 18, 2026	November 06, 2026
Basic Detention 494	November 15, 2026	December 11, 2026
Basic Detention 495	January 03, 2027	January 22, 2027
Basic Detention 496	January 31, 2027	February 19, 2027
Basic Detention 497	February 28, 2027	March 19, 2027
Basic Detention 498	March 28, 2027	April 16, 2027
Basic Detention 499	April 25, 2027	May 14, 2027
Basic Detention 500	May 23, 2027	June 11, 2027
Basic Detention 501	June 20, 2027	July 16, 2027

2026-2027 BASIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR MANDATED TRAINING SCHEDULE

Basic Telecommunication Class	Start (Sunday Report Date)	Graduation
BTOT 356	July 05, 2026	July 10, 2026
BTOT 357	August 02, 2026	August 07, 2026
BTOT 358	August 30, 2026	September 04, 2026
BTOT 359	September 27, 2026	October 02, 2026
BTOT 360	October 25, 2026	October 30, 2026
BTOT 361	November 29, 2026	December 04, 2026
BTOT 362	January 10, 2027	January 15, 2027
BTOT 363	February 07, 2027	February 12, 2027
BTOT 364	February 21, 2027	February 26, 2027
BTOT 365	March 21, 2027	March 26, 2027
BTOT 366	April 04, 2027	April 09, 2027
BTOT 367	May 02, 2027	May 07, 2027
BTOT 368	May 16, 2027	May 21, 2027
BTOT 369	June 13, 2027	June 18, 2027

2026-2027 SPECIAL BASIC MANDATED TESTING SCHEDULE

Special Basic classes are offered online through the ACADIS portal.

After the candidate has completed registration at the Academy, (s)he will be given access to the video portion of the training. They will need to complete Special Basic Online. The manuals and power points are also in ACADIS. They are called "Manuals-Special Basic Manual" Upon completion of the online training; the Training Officer will log into Acadis and "Register" the candidate for the cumulative exam and Driving and Firearms Proficiency. The candidate will take the Special Basic cumulative test. Upon passing the cumulative, the officer will have to qualify with Driving and Firearms. That will complete the Special Basic training. *

*Reserve to Class 1 officers will also have to run the PAT to complete the training.

Test dates for 2026:	Test dates for 2027:
July 14, 2026	January 04, 2027
July 15, 2026	January 05, 2027
July 27, 2026	January 19, 2027
July 28, 2026	January 20, 2027
August 10, 2026	February 01, 2027
August 11, 2026	February 02, 2027

September 08, 2026	February 16, 2027
September 09, 2026	February 17, 2027
September 21, 2026	March 16, 2027
September 22, 2026	March 17, 2027
October 06, 2026	March 30, 2027
October 07, 2026	March 31, 2027
November 03, 2026	April 26, 2027
November 04, 2026	April 27, 2027
November 17, 2026	May 11, 2027
November 18, 2026	May 12, 2027
December 08, 2026	May 25, 2027
December 09, 2026	May 26, 2027
	June 08, 2027
	June 09, 2027
	June 22, 2027
	June 23, 2027

2026-2027 CLASS 3 BASIC OR ADVANCED TESTING SCHEDULE

All Class 3 Basic and Advanced training will be offered online through the ACADIS portal. No regular classroom attendance at CJA will be required.

Class 3 Basic (Unarmed)

After the candidate has completed registration at the Academy, (s)he will be given access to the video portion of the training. "Please assign your candidate the "Class 3 Basic online video". The manuals and PowerPoints are also in ACADIS. They are called "Manuals-Class 3 - Basic Manual." Upon completion of the online training, the Training Officer will log into Acadis and "Register" the candidate to take the Class 3 Basic cumulative exam. The test will consist of 75 multiple-choice questions; the passing score is 70%. These are given every Wednesday at 1:00 pm.

Class 3 Advanced (Armed)

After the candidate has completed registration at the Academy, (s)he will be given access to the video portion of the training. Please assign your candidate the Class 3 Advanced Training in ACADIS, manuals are also there. They are called "Manuals-Class 3 - Advanced Manual." Completion of the DT/Firearms proficiency must be completed before the cumulative exam. The SCCJA Mobile Training Unit has dates set up in ACADIS for the DT and Firearms proficiency tests. If you need SCCJA to also complete the Training before the Proficiency testing, those classes/proficiencies are available as well and are called "C3A FA Training/Qualification and DT Training/Testing (MTU) YYYY.M.DD" Upon completion, the Training Officer will log into Acadis and "Register" the candidate to take the Class 3 Advanced cumulative exam. The test will consist of 100 multiple choice questions; the passing score is 70%.

Candidates will be permitted to take the Class 3 Basic or Advanced cumulative test on any Wednesday at 1:00PM. Please register your candidates for the cumulative exam in the ACADIS portal.

Class 3 Advanced (Armed) Proficiency Testing	
Firearms and Defensive Tactics	Firearms and Defensive Tactics
Training and Testing 2026	Training and Testing 2027
July 14 - 15, 2026	January 12 - 13, 2027
August 11 - 12, 2026	February 09 - 10, 2027
September 10 - 11, 2026	March 09- 10, 2027
October 08 - 09, 2026	April 06 - 07, 2027
November 10 - 11, 2026	May 04 - 05, 2027
December 08 - 09, 2026	June 08 - 09, 2027

Class 3 Advanced Firearms and Defensive Tactics Proficiency Training AND Testing

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Advanced Class 3 New Hires or officers transferring from Basic Class 3 to Advanced Class 3.

Candidates are required to view Firearms Proficiency training videos in ACADIS prior to training. Training will be conducted over two days, and students **must** attend both days. The first day is dedicated entirely to working on the individual stages of the qualification course. A full mock qualification is fired at the end of the day. The candidates will qualify the following morning. If the candidates do not qualify, they are afforded 25 remedial rounds with a firearms instructor and a second attempt to qualify. If the student qualifies, they will move to defensive tactics training.

FIREARMS QUALIFICATION:

SCCJA's course of fire will be used for qualifying.

Candidates are required to view the Defensive Tactics Proficiency training videos in ACADIS prior to training. For defensive tactics training, candidates will receive four (4) hours of hands-on demonstration and repetition of the Defensive Tactics techniques followed by two (2) hours allotted for testing (remediation and retest, if needed).

DEFENSIVE TACTICS TECHNIQUES:

- Handcuffing
- Rear Wrist Lock- Escort
- Rear Wrist Lock-Frontal
- Frontal Attack with Weapon in Holster
- Rear Attack with Weapon in Holster
- Unholstered Retention

Equipment needed: firearm | ammunition | duty belt with holster, magazine pouch, and magazine | eye/ear protection | body armor | hat
 325 rounds of ammunition. 200 for training on day 1. 50 for qualification, 25 for potential remedial, and 50 for potential second qualification attempt.

Candidates must successfully pass both DT Proficiency Testing and Firearms Qualification before being able to register for the Class 3 Advanced Cumulative Test.

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COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Advanced Crime Scene for Patrol (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5 <i>Held in forensics building.</i>	July 09, 2026	CJA 15
	August 20, 2026	CJA 15
	October 01, 2026	CJA 15
	November 12, 2026	CJA 15
	January 14, 2027	CJA 15
	February 11, 2027	CJA 15
	June 03, 2027	CJA 15

Course Description:

The student will receive training on what constitutes physical evidence, where it originates, and how it is deposited; the importance physical evidence plays in a criminal investigation, how it is classified and what constitutes a crime scene; the duties of the first responding officers; typical crime scenes encountered by first responders, and an introduction into the methods of crime scene processing, photographing, sketching, and navigating the sequence of events regarding crime scenes. The student will be evaluated during the hands-on portion of the class to determine the level of proficiency. The student is encouraged to bring any issued equipment for use during the class to familiarize themselves with those items, but it is not required.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 15) Class I and Class III certified law enforcement officers who respond to typical LE calls for service. This class is specifically designed to get the new responding officer comfortable and competent in investigating and working crime scenes associated with incidents up to a level of burglary to lessen the need to call out additional resources. It is recommended that officers take this course prior to the Crime Scene for Investigators course.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
ARIDE Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement) (16 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Days Class Fee: \$20	July 07 - 08, 2026	CJA 20
	August 11 - 12, 2026	Hosted by Berkley Co. So.
	August 26 - 27, 2026	CJA 20
	September 08 - 09, 2026	CJA 20
	October 14 - 15, 2026	CJA 20
	January 26 - 27, 2027	CJA 20
	February 02 - 03, 2027	CJA 20
	May 04 - 05, 2027	CJA 20
June 08 - 09, 2027	CJA 20	

Additional Field Classes TBA

Course Description:

This course is designed for certified DUI/SFST Practitioners who understand the hazards caused by impaired driving and are motivated to arrest and prosecute impaired drivers. It is also intended to introduce the concept of the role of and utilization of the South Carolina Drug Recognition Experts. This course must be completed as a prerequisite for future consideration into the Drug Recognition Expert Program. Students should be experienced in DUI enforcement and prosecution, should have a firm handle on the SFST proficiency, and must be currently DUI/SFST Practitioner certified.

Who should attend: (Class Max - 20)

Class 1 Officers involved with DUI/Traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Current DUI/SFST Practitioner.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Basic Detective (40 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	July 20 - 24, 2026	CJA 20
	August 31 - September 04, 2026	CJA 20
	October 12 - 16, 2026	CJA 20
	November 09 - 13, 2026	CJA 20
	December 14 - 18, 2026	CJA 20
	January 25 - 29, 2027	CJA 20
	February 22 - 26, 2027	CJA 20
	March 22 - 26, 2027	CJA 20
	April 05 - 09, 2027	CJA 20
	May 03 - 07, 2027	CJA 20
June 14 - 18, 2027	CJA 20	

Course Description:

This course is designed for officers assigned to investigative units or who primarily perform investigative functions. Course topics include case management, case prioritizing, information sources, case preparation, courtroom procedure, rules of evidence, open-source investigations, interview and interrogation techniques, property crimes, and crime scene management. Other topics include proper techniques used to develop probable cause for writing search and arrest warrants using the appropriate language and structure.

This course includes practical applications for warrant writing, interviewing, crime scene processing, case preparation, and courtroom testimony.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 20)

Class I certified law enforcement officers and only those officers assigned to investigative units or whose primary duties are investigative functions.

Resources Required:

Students are strongly encouraged to bring a laptop and thumb drive.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Basic Drug Enforcement (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 27, 2026	CJA 20
	October 19, 2026	CJA 20
	January 18, 2027	CJA 20
	April 12, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

This one-day course will prepare officers to successfully conduct basic drug enforcement investigations. Officers will receive training concerning the development of confidential informants, conducting controlled purchases of evidence, and use of technical equipment for monitoring them. Attendees will also receive training for effective preparation of search warrants as well as information on drug trends in South Carolina and the United States.

Who Should Attend/Prerequisites: (Class Max - 20)

Class I law enforcement officers recently assigned to drug enforcement or gang/vice units as well as those who would like to prepare for such assignments.

Proficiency/Credits: None

Continuing Certification Requirements: None

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Basic Instructor Development (80 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Weeks Class Fee: \$140 All Classes held at SCCJA	August 03 - 14, 2026 October 05 - 16, 2026 January 25 - February 05, 2027 May 10 - 21, 2027	CJA 18 CJA 18 CJA 18 CJA 18

Course Description:

This course is for departmental training officers and/or officers who will be involved in training at their department. Upon completion of this instructor course, officers will be able to write lesson plans and instruct in areas of basic, advanced, in-service, pre-service, etc... within their agency. This class is a prerequisite for Firearms, Driving, Radar, Ground Defense, Defensive Tactics, and other instructor-certified courses at the Academy. This course covers lesson plan preparation, research, formatting, writing, methods of instruction, and adult learning.

Officers should have above average writing and research abilities and be proficient with computers and computer software, including Microsoft Word and PowerPoint. Upon completion of the course, an officer will be accredited by the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy as a Basic Instructor.

Class starts at 8:30 AM.

Who Should Attend/Prerequisites: (Class Max - 18)

Only Class I and Class II law enforcement officers who are or will be assigned as departmental training officers should register to attend this class. **Only officers who have passed the Basic Instructor Development pre-qualification can register for this course.**

Proficiency/Credits:

Officers must achieve a minimum of 80% on numerous projects, including three in-class presentations with written lesson plans and a variety of homework exercises and class exercises. Failure of any requirement will result in failure of the class.

Continuing Certification Requirements:

To maintain their Basic Instructor Development Certification, an officer must complete one (1) week as a guest instructor for the Basic Law Enforcement Practical Problem at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy and 36 hours of instruction for their agency every three years.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Basic Instructor Development	September 29, 2026 (2 Sessions)	CJA 20
PRE-QUALIFICATION	September 30, 2026 (2 Sessions)	CJA 20
(2.5 CLEE Credit Hours)	April 13, 2027 (2 Sessions)	CJA 20
ALL PRE-QUALS held at SCCJA	April 14, 2027 (2 Sessions)	CJA 20

Morning Sessions are from 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Afternoon Sessions are from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

******Officers must arrive promptly. Once the pre-qualification begins, no one will be allowed entry into the classroom******

Course Description:

This a pre-qualification for officers attending Basic Instructor Development (BID). An officer must pass the pre-qualification course to register for the Basic Instructor Development Course.

Students will be provided a laptop, and binder that includes an article and APA reference material to utilize during the session. After reading the article, students will type a two-paragraph essay on key points from the article in a Microsoft Word document. The essay has a 250-to-500-word count requirement and will be submitted to the instructor within the 2.5 hour time requirement.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 20 students)

Only Class I and Class II certified law enforcement officers registered through ACADIS can attend the pre-qualification course.

Proficiency:

The qualifications score is 80% for proficiency. The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Registration Unit will notify the officer’s department concerning their eligibility to register the officer for BID. If there is a failure, the officer must wait one year before repeating the pre-qualification. If the score is 80% or higher, then the officer has two years from the date of the pre-qualification to register for the BID course. After two years, if the officer has not enrolled in a BID course, then the pre-qualification must be retaken.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Basic Patrol Rifle – SCCJA (32 CLEE Credit Hours) 4 Days Class Fee: \$50	September 08 - 11, 2026 November 02 - 05, 2026 April 12 - 15, 2027	CJA 10 CJA 10 CJA 10

Course Description:

This course is designed as a BASIC course for certified law enforcement officers who will be issued a patrol rifle from their agency. The course covers handling, maintenance, and firing and qualifies the officer with the patrol rifle.

Report promptly to the Range at 8:00 AM.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 10)

Class I certified law enforcement officers who need basic instruction and skill sets with a patrol rifle.

Proficiency:

Attendees will be required to demonstrate safe and proper handling techniques and score a minimum of 80% on the qualification course.

Special Equipment:

Attendees are required to have a patrol rifle with suitable sling to orient the weapon in a muzzle down configuration during handgun transition drills; duty pistol & holster, eye & ear protection, knee & elbow pads, and baseball style cap are required. Each attending officer must bring their own 750 rounds of 5.56-caliber ammunition and 50 rounds of pistol ammunition. No optics, iron sights only.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Basic Precision Rifle (38 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	October 05 - 09, 2026 March 01 - 05, 2027	CJA 10 CJA 10

Course Description:

This course is designed to train officers in the proper marksmanship fundamentals and skillset needed when using a precision rifle. The purpose of this course is to qualify law enforcement personnel with the precision rifle.

Report promptly to the Range at 8:00 AM

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 10)

Class I certified law enforcement officers who will be assigned a precision rifle by their department.

Proficiency: This course requires 100% attendance and a 100% passing score on the course of fire.

Special Equipment:

Precision scoped rifle with sling and bipod, service pistol and holster, support gear for the rifle (data book, cleaning supplies, range finder, spotting scope, lens cleaner, etc.). Recommended cleaning supplies: patches, bore brush, appropriate caliber bore brush, solvent (Hoppe's #9 or copper solvent) lubricating oil, all-purpose brush, coated cleaning rod, and bore guide. Suitable range clothing (no shorts), knee and elbow pads are recommended, eye and ear protection, 500 rounds of match grade ammunition for the rifle, and 50 rounds of ammunition for the service pistol. Optional equipment: Shooting mat, small sandbag, large sandbag, backpack for gear, and anemometer.

Note to all accepted officers: Prior to the class, please e-mail Range Manager John McMahan, at JPMcMahan@sccja.sc.gov with your rifle make, model and caliber as well as the model and power scope to be used in the class.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Chiefs' Workshop – SCCJA (17 CLEE Credit Hours) 3 Days Class Fee: \$35	March 23 - 25, 2027	CJA 60

Course Description:

This course is designed for those individuals who have recently been appointed to the position of Chief of Police, Deputy Chief, or appropriate designee. This course will focus on topics related to the Training Act, Criminal Justice Academy mandates, budgeting, media relations, and leading in times of crisis. In addition to classroom discussion and informal group work, participants will have the opportunity to network with other police chiefs in South Carolina.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 60):

Newly appointed Chiefs of Police, Deputy Chiefs, or designees

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Child Homicide Investigation (14.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Days Class Fee: \$20	August 17 - 18, 2026 October 19 - 20, 2026 January 11 - 12, 2027 March 22 - 23, 2027 May 17 - 18, 2027	CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15

Course Description:

The purpose of this course is to give investigators/detectives a basic understanding of how to investigate child homicides, including Sudden Unexpected Infant Deaths (SUID). This course examines the possibility that child deaths can occur over time through abuse or neglect. There is a hands-on practical exercise that will evaluate the students understanding, knowledge, and skills learned. This course also offers basic photography. Students are encouraged to bring digital cameras and a tripod.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 15):

Students will be evaluated through a hands-on practical that will display their understanding, knowledge, and skills learned.

Prerequisites: Officers should have a basic understanding of crime scene terminology and investigations.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Commercial Motor Vehicle Collision Reconstruction (40 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	July 20 - 24, 2026 February 01 - 05, 2027	CJA 14 CJA 14

Course Description:

This course will teach the student how to take the concepts learned during their three phases of reconstruction training, such as drag factor determination, center of mass calculations, and kinetic energy, and successfully apply them to crashes involving commercial motor vehicles. The student will also receive in-depth information on the nomenclature of heavy vehicles, air braking systems, brake force calculations, and speed determination for crashes involving solid and liquid loads.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT'S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max -14)

Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites:

- SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer.
- Successfully completed the below TCI Classes:
 - TCI –Phase 1 At-Scene Collision Investigation.
 - TCI – Phase 2 Technical Collision Investigation.
 - TCI – Phase 3 Collision Reconstruction.

Officer is responsible for bringing own special equipment: scientific calculator, blue blitz, drafting eraser, 360-degree counter-clockwise protractor, colored pencils, and a laptop computer that is capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Court Security (7 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	August 19, 2026 February 24, 2027 June 16, 2027	CJA 30 CJA 30 CJA 30

Course Description:

The course explains officers' duties and responsibilities in maintaining security in the courtroom, the security of court officials, and the security of non-court tenants. In addition, this course provides an understanding of the importance of preparing for high-risk trials and emergency situations.

Purpose of Course:

The purpose of this course is to provide the guidance needed to perform the duties of a courtroom officer safely and effectively.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 30)

Certified Class 2 and Class 3 Advanced officers responsible for court security functions.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Crime Scene for Investigators (30 CLEE Credit Hours) 4 Days Class Fee: \$50 <i>Held in Forensics Building</i>	August 03 - 06, 2026 January 18 - 21, 2027 March 15 - 18, 2027 June 07 - 10, 2027	CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15

Course Description:

The purpose of this course is to instruct the participants in proper crime scene evaluation and processing. The course includes topics on securing, searching, sketching, plotting techniques, crime scene management, evidence preservation, and collection and packaging. The course will also teach the skills needed to process specific scenes to include robberies, burglaries, sexual assaults, recovered stolen vehicles, and auto break-ins. Hands on exercises are used throughout the course. Various techniques of lifting and processing latent prints are introduced and an introduction to bloodstain pattern analysis with practice stringing and analyzing blood patterns is covered. The hands-on portion of the class covers searching, sketching, and plotting a scene lifting latent prints through the use of various techniques such as camphor smoking, iodine, ninhydrin, cyanoacrylate fuming and others; casting impressions; DNA collections; basic bloodstain pattern analysis; stringing; autopsy reports; implementing tools, and crime scene photography. Evidence collection, preservation and packaging are discussed. The final day includes a complex crime scene to process.

Who Should Attend: [Class Max – 15]

Class I and Class III certified law enforcement officers who are NEW Investigators that work crime scenes.

Prerequisites: Officers should have a basic understanding of crime scene terminology and investigations. It is recommended that officers take the Advanced Crime Scene for Patrol course prior to the Crime Scene for Investigators course. Advanced Crime scene for Patrol Course will allow the student to build up to the level of Burglary then advance to Death investigation with this course. During this class the student will be expected to work through a minimum of 16 death investigations within 3 days.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Criminal Gang Overview for Law Enforcement (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 14, 2026	CJA 25
	October 06, 2026	CJA 25
	January 12, 2027	CJA 25
	March 30, 2027	CJA 25

Course Description:

This course gives officers a basic understanding of the criminal gang and how it pertains to South Carolina law enforcement. Officers will gain an understanding of the South Carolina Gang Prevention Act, history of gangs, gang typology and ideology, basic gang indicators, and how to deal with gangs.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max-25)

Certified Class I, II, or III officers who may have interactions with suspected gangs or gang members or may be involved in identifying, documenting, or prosecuting gangs, gang members, or graffiti vandals. This class is Part 1 of a 2-part series (Graffiti Recognition is part 2). Both classes are scheduled consecutively over a two-day period. It is highly recommended that the courses are taken back-to-back to provide the student with a more well-rounded understanding of the subject.

Special Note: Lodging and meals are allowed if attending Graffiti Recognition and/or Open-Source Intelligence the following days (daily fees apply).

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Crisis Communications For Telecommunicators (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	August 20, 2026	CJA 20
	October 15, 2026	CJA 20
	December 10, 2026	CJA 20
	January 28, 2027	CJA 20
	April 22, 2027	CJA 20
	June 10, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

The purpose of this advanced class is to build on crisis communication skills learned in BTOT and introduce new topics to further the education of certified telecommunicators. Students will review how crisis disrupts the Rational/Emotional Equilibrium, the importance of “venting”, active listening skills, and other core concepts. They will discuss updated suicide statistics, suicide intervention, and focus on telecommunicator mental wellbeing. This class will utilize audio clips and role play in a back-to-back format for interactive scenarios, allowing students to practice their skills in real-world scenarios.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 20)

Certified telecommunications personnel who are assigned to dispatch or call taking responsibilities.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Critical Suicide Intervention (14 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Day Class Fee: \$20	September 14 - 15, 2026	CJA 16
	November 02 - 03, 2026	CJA 16
	February 01 - 02, 2027	CJA 16
	March 29 - 30, 2027	CJA 16
	April 26 - 27, 2027	CJA 16

Course Description:

Suicide is one of the most significant public health issues facing the world today. With the right knowledge and skills, most suicides can be prevented. This course is designed for first responders to learn how to prevent suicide by recognizing signs, providing a skilled intervention, and developing a safety plan to keep someone alive. This evidence-based training will improve skills and readiness, increase hope and reduce suicidality, increase general counseling and listening skills, and save lives.

Who should attend: (Class Max - 16)

Class I, Class II, Class III, Detention officers, and telecommunication officers.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Defensive Tactics Instructor	August 03 - 14, 2026	CJA 20
(69.5 CLEE Credit Hours)	November 02 - 13, 2026	CJA 20
2 Weeks	April 12 - 23, 2027	CJA 20
Class Fee: \$140		

Course Description:

This course is designed to certify officers as Defensive Tactics Instructors. This course is physically demanding, and those attending should be in good physical condition.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 20)

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who will be directly responsible for teaching or conducting defensive tactics training for other officers within the law enforcement community. To be eligible to attend, the applicant must be a South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Currently Certified Instructor who has successfully completed either the Specific Skills or Basic Instructor courses.

Proficiency:

Attendees must make a minimum score of 85% on a written test and successfully achieve a pass rating on the proficiency test.

*****Due to this course being physically demanding, a pre-qualification test to assess the candidate's fitness level is required. The potential instructor must report first day in Physical Training clothing and must complete the Physical Abilities Test (PAT) on the first day of class in less than one minute, 47 seconds to be eligible to attend the rest of the instructor class. Candidate must also sign a waiver before attempting the PAT course and must have a change of appropriate attire to attend the rest of the instructor class.*****

Special Equipment:

Duty Belt and Gun Holster	Mouthpiece
Tactical Pants	(optional/recommended)
Rash Guard (optional)	Handcuffs w/ Key
	Elbow and Knee Pads (optional)

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Defensive Tactics Instructor	August 31 - September 04, 2026	CJA 30
Recert	December 14 - 18, 2026	CJA 30
(33 CLEE Credit Hours)	February 08 - 12, 2027	CJA 30
1 Week	February 22 - 26, 2027	CJA 30
Class Fee: \$70	May 17 - 21, 2027	CJA 30

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 30)

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who are **currently certified as a Defensive Tactics Instructor and/or Ground Defense Instructor** and will be directly responsible for teaching or conducting defensive tactics training for other officers within the law enforcement community. To be eligible to attend, the applicant must be a South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Currently Certified Instructor who has successfully completed either the Specific Skills or Basic Instructor courses.

*****Course consisting of the merger of Defensive Tactics Instructor and Ground Defense Instructor. Currently certified Defense Tactics Instructors and/or Ground Defense Instructors will need to register for this course as their recertification course.*****

Proficiency:

Attendees must make a minimum score of 85% on a written test and successfully achieve a pass rating on the proficiency test.

Special Equipment:

Duty Belt and Gun Holster	Mouthpiece (optional/recommended)
Tactical Pants	Handcuffs w/ Key
Rash Guard (optional)	Elbow and Knee Pads (optional)

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Detention	October 14, 2026	CJA 20
Field Training Officer Manager (7 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	March 24, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

This course will provide the FTO Manager with the guidelines, lesson plans, and forms for training Detention FTO officers. It is encouraged that detention agencies create a training program beneficial to all new hires. Departments may choose to either use the entire program or parts of it that most complement the needs of their agency.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 20)

Certified class 2 officers who are responsible or will become responsible for training Field Training Officers within their agency. The officer must be certified in either Specific Skills or Basic Instructor Development. (*Officers must maintain the Specific Skills or Basic Instructor certification to maintain Detention FTO Manager certification.)

Purpose of Course:

To provide those officers responsible for the management of the Field Training Officer Program the useful resources to effectively train Field Training Officers.

Attendance Requirements:

100% student participation. Students must have a USB thumb drive to electronically download all forms and manuals.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Detention Management (13.75 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Days Class Fee: \$20	July 23 - 24, 2026	CJA 30
	September 15 - 16, 2026	CJA 30
	November 10 - 11, 2026	CJA 30
	December 15 - 16, 2026	CJA 30
	February 23 - 24, 2027	CJA 30
	April 20 - 21, 2027	CJA 30
	May 18 - 19, 2027	CJA 30
	June 15 - 16, 2027	CJA 30

Course Description:

This course is designed to meet the requirements established in the SC Local Detention Minimum Standard 1032. Topics include leadership principles, liability/risk management issues in a detention center, and resources available for staff development. A detention center administrator panel discusses current issues facing the detention centers.

Who should attend: (Class Max – 30)

The course is designed for detention corporals, sergeants, lieutenants, captains, majors, and newly appointed administrators.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DRE Instructor School (16 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Days Class Fee: \$20	October 29 - 30, 2026	CJA 20
	February 25 - 26, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

The purpose of the condensed DRE Instructor School is to prepare Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) who have shown great aptitude as a DRE during their tenure and have successfully completed the NHTSA DUI/SFST Instructor course to administer and instruct DRE training effectively. DRE Instructors must apply for the Instructor School and are only accepted after thorough review and approval by the South Carolina DRE State Coordinator. Simply meeting the prerequisites and proper application does not guarantee the ability to attend this course. DRE Instructor Candidates must uphold the highest professional standards and ethics and must also possess the proper personality and character traits to perform in this role.

DRE Instructor Candidates and their respective agencies should be aware that DRE Instructor School is just step 1 of 3 to complete DRE Instructor Certification. DRE Instructor Candidates must also be available for the immediately following Combined DRE Pre-School & School, as well as the Field Certification Phase of training associated with the school in which they instruct.

Lodging for Field Certifications agencies will be responsible for reservations and accommodations for Field Certifications. SCCJA will reimburse agencies upon completion.

Who should apply: (Class Max - 20) Active Class 1 certified officers who are heavily involved in the South Carolina DRE Program and are involved with traffic enforcement and/or regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Must be employed in a full-time capacity. Must be a certified DRE in good standing for at least 2 years and have an active Specific Skills Instructor or Basic Instructor Development Certification. Must be a current DUI/SFST Instructor for at least 2 years. Must have successfully completed Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training. The officers must send applications to the DRE State Coordinator JJohnson@sccja.sc.gov, and then the officers will be selected by the DRE State Coordinator.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DRE Pre & 7-day Schools (80 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Weeks Class Fee: \$140	November 02 - 13, 2026 March 01 - 12, 2027	CJA 20 CJA 20

NOTE: Field Certifications: For November class: Field Certification will be held Nov. 30 - Dec 04, 2026
For March class: Field Certification April 05 – 09, 2027

Course Description:

This course is designed for law enforcement officers who have a strong commitment to DUI and drug-impaired driving enforcement and whose agencies are also committed to this cause. This course is available only to those who have successfully completed Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) training and who have been a DUI/SFST Practitioner for at least 2 years. Officers will be selected by the DRE State Coordinator after making an application.

After successfully completing the classroom portion of this course, the student will be ready to continue to the final phases of the DRE Certification Program. The student will be able to name the seven categories of drugs and recognize the effects of each, to describe and proficiently administer the 12-step drug influence evaluation, to document the results of the drug influence evaluation in narrative format, to properly interpret the results of the drug influence evaluation, to testify as an expert witness in drug influence-related cases, and to maintain an updated curriculum vitae. The student must attend all portions of the training, maintain an 80% average or better on the quizzes, pass two examinations with a score of 80% or better; and successfully complete the Field Certification phase of the course.

A candidate scoring less than 80% on the final examination may, if utilized by the state, be retested one time, under the supervision of a certified DRE instructor. The retest shall be completed not less than 15 or more than 30 days following the completion of the classroom training. If the candidate was originally given Test Form A, they should receive Test Form B for the retest.

To be certified as a DRE, the student must also complete the field certification phase of training as well as the Certification Knowledge Examination. The field certification phase of training requires that the student travel with the South Carolina DRE Program, likely out of state; and successfully complete 12 hands-on drug influence evaluations and associated narratives.

Lodging for Field Certifications agencies will be responsible for reservations and accommodations for Field Certifications. SCCJA will reimburse agencies upon completion

Who should attend: (Class Max - 20) Class I law enforcement officers with a passion for DUI/traffic enforcement, and whose agencies/prosecuting bodies firmly support the utilization of the DRE Program.

Prerequisites: Full-time, active SC Class I law enforcement officers in good standing with their agencies. Attendees must be currently certified as NHTSA DUI/SFST Practitioners or equivalent for at least 2 years. Attendees must attend and complete ARIDE prior to being considered for enrollment in this course. For consideration for enrollment, the prospective attendee must have completed a DRE School Application and be approved directly by the DRE State Coordinator. Attendees must have the blessing of their employing agency and must also be available to attend the field certification training phase associated with the DRE School. The officers must send applications to the DRE State Coordinator JJohnson@scjja.sc.gov, and then the officers will be selected by the DRE State Coordinator.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DRE In-Service Training (8 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee \$5	July 16, 2026 August 18, 2026	CJA 20 CJA 20

Course Description:

The DRE Recertification Training course is designed to update current DREs and DRE Instructors with the latest information regarding the state and national DEC Program as well as to ensure that additional considerations are being taken when conducting drug influence evaluations in the field.

Who should apply: (Class Max - 20) Any currently certified DRE and/or DRE Instructor, who is up for recertification within the 12 months after the course.

Prerequisites: The attendee must be a currently certified DRE and/or DRE Instructor.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Driving Instructor School (34 CLEE Credit Hours) 4 Days Class Fee: \$50	August 24 - 27, 2026 October 19 - 22, 2026 March 01 - 04, 2027 April 12 - 15, 2027	CJA 16 & 5 Guest Instructors CJA 16 & 5 Guest Instructors CJA 16 & 5 Guest Instructors CJA 16 & 5 Guest Instructors

Course Description:

This course is designed for officers who will serve as a driving instructor for their agency. Attendees will be taught proper vehicle driving techniques and how to develop a driving course for his/her department. This course is a combination of classroom and practical application. There is also an emphasis on how to appropriately address student driving fundamentals through adult learning concepts.

Report promptly to the Driving Range at 8:00 AM.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 16)

Class 1 or Class II certified law enforcement officers who have either Specific Skills or Basic Instructor certifications. Must have already passed the DIS Prequalification Test prior to attending.

Proficiency:

Students must pass a series of post-training tests throughout the course (proficiency) and score 90% or higher on a written test to receive their certification.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Driving Instructor School Pre-Qualification (6 CLEE Credit Hours) Class Fee: \$0	August 12, 2026 August 13, 2026 August 14, 2026 February 03, 2027 February 04, 2027 February 05, 2027	CJA 17 CJA 17 CJA 17 CJA 17 CJA 17 CJA 17

Course Description:

This course is designed for officers who will serve as a driving instructor for their agency and will measure the driver’s skills in the handling of a motor vehicle to determine minimum driving skill level required to attend Driving Instructor School (DIS).

Report promptly to the Driving Range at 8:00 AM.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 17 per session, 1 session per day)

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who have either Specific Skills or Basic Instructor certifications.

Proficiency:

Must pass one of the two prequalification courses offered. The Serpentine Course (6 cones, 70 feet spacing) with matching barrier cones approximately a standard roadway width apart (12’8” on center to both sides of matching barrier cones). No cones can be hit (or moved from center of cone box with red dot visible) while maintaining the set testing speed, utilizing smooth shuffle steering, no more than one unsatisfactory, and cannot miss any “gates”. The Response Operations Course (R.O.C.) with a backward serpentine within the allotted time frame. No cones can be hit (or moved from center of cone box with red dot visible) while stopping completely at all stop signs, no more than one unsatisfactory and cannot skip any portion of the course. Those students who pass will be eligible to attend one of the two upcoming DIS classes. If a student fails to attend one of these classes, then the student will have to repeat the prequalification process.

Practice days for:

August 12, 13 & 14, 2026 are July 29, 30, & 31, 2026
February 03, 04 & 05, 2027 are January 06, 07 & 08, 2027.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DUI/SFST Instructor w/ SSI (40 CLEE Hours) Class Fee if held at SCCJA: \$70 (5 Days) If Field Class, there is no class fee	July 20 - 24, 2026 October 05 - 09, 2026 March 22 - 26, 2027	Hosted by North Augusta PD CJA 20 CJA 20
	Additional Field Classes TBA	

Course Description:

This course is designed to take well-experienced Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) practitioners and develop them into DUI/SFST Instructors by building upon the information presented to them in the SFST Practitioner course, as well as by teaching them the basics of Adult Learning Principles and instruction.

This course will teach the officer how to present the DUI/SFST Practitioner course accurately and effectively as approved by NHTSA and the SCCJA. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be issued the DUI/SFST Practitioner lesson plan and manuals and accompanying visual aids (PowerPoint slides and videos). This course also meets the requirements for receiving Specific Skills Instructor certification; however, the primary focus of the course pertains to instructing the DUI/SFST Practitioner Program and attendees should be prepared as such. Each student must successfully perform an SFST Proficiency on Day One of the course prior to being officially seated in the course.

The student is required to have a laptop computer with PDF and PowerPoint capabilities.

After completing this course, the attendee must maintain the DUI/SFST Instructor portion of the class to maintain their SSI certification.

NOTE: YOU MAY NOT OBTAIN OR HOLD AN SFST INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION UNLESS YOU ARE A CURRENTLY EMPLOYED CLASS 1 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. RESERVE OFFICERS, CLASS 2 AND CLASS 3 OFFICERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO HOLD THIS CERTIFICATION.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT'S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max - 20)

Active and experienced DUI/SFST Practitioners with exceptionally high aptitude for DUI enforcement and in conducting the SFSTs.

Proficiency/Testing: Attendees must successfully pass the SFST Proficiency on Day One of the course prior to being officially seated in the course. The attendee must also complete all assigned presentations while showing aptitude as an instructor. The attendee must also pass the written examination with an 80% or better.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Must be employed in a full-time capacity DUI/SFST Practitioner Certified for at least two (2) years prior to enrollment. Must have completed ARIDE training prior to class. Students must successfully complete a proficiency within 45 days of the class date. Students will be required to bring a copy of the completed proficiency on Day One of class.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DUI/SFST Instructor Recertification Online (3 CLEE Credit Hours)	May 01, 2026 - October 31, 2026 (10/31/2026 Expiration)	Online
	May 01, 2027 - October 31, 2027 (10/31/2027 Expiration)	Online

DUI/SFST Instructor Recertification is intended for officers who are currently DUI/SFST Instructor certified and whose certification expires October 31st of the current year.

For an officer to recertify as a DUI/SFST Instructor, they must successfully observe and sign off on TWO (2) DUI/SFST Practitioner proficiencies in the two-year period of their certification AND also possess an active Specific Skills Instructor or Basic Instructor Development Certification.

NOTE: YOU MAY NOT OBTAIN OR HOLD AN SFST INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION UNLESS YOU ARE A CURRENTLY EMPLOYED CLASS 1 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. RESERVE OFFICERS, CLASS 2 AND CLASS 3 OFFICERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO HOLD THIS CERTIFICATION.

Who should renew: Officers who hold an active and current DUI/SFST Instructor certification, which expires on October 31st of the current year.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Must be employed in a full-time capacity. Current DUI/SFST Instructor certified. Current SSI or BID certification is required for recertification.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DUI/SFST Practitioner Online (3 CLEE Credit Hours)	May 01, 2026 - October 31, 2026 (10/31/2026 Expiration)	Online
	May 01, 2027 - October 31, 2027 (10/31/2027 Expiration)	Online

Course Description:

Online courses will open after May 1st. The SFST Practitioner Recertification Course is intended for officers who are currently SFST Practitioner certified (not expired) and whose certification expires October 31 of the current year.

The course content is designed to refresh the practitioner’s knowledge, skills, and SFST proficiency.

Upon successful completion of the video instructional portion and online test (80% Passing Score), the student will be required to complete and submit a SFST proficiency test, administered by a current certified DUI/SFST instructor, within two weeks (14 Calendar Days) of their written test date. Successful completion and submission of the proficiency test within the two-week deadline is required in order to maintain SFST Practitioner certification. Failure to properly recertify will result in revocation of your practitioner certification, and you will need to retake the SFST Practitioner certification course. Officers are allowed one attempt at the recertification. A failure of the first attempt written test or failure to pass or submit the proficiency test within 14 calendar days will require the officer to attend the SFST Practitioner course to regain certification.

Who should attend: Officers in their second year of certification and in possession of an active and current SFST Practitioner certification that will be expiring.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
DUI/SFST Refresher/Recert (6.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 07, 2026	CJA 15
	August 04, 2026	Hosted by Berkeley Co. So.
	August 05, 2026	
	September 15, 2026	CJA 15
	October 27, 2026	CJA 15
	December 15, 2026	CJA 15
	January 26, 2027	CJA 15
	February 08, 2027	CJA 15
	March 10, 2027	CJA 15
	June 01, 2027	CJA 15

Course Description:

The one-day Standardized Field Sobriety (SFST) refresher training program is designed to recertify officers with the knowledge and skills necessary to properly conduct Standard Field Sobriety Tests. The course is designed provide a complete overview of the three Phases of SFST’s – Vehicle in Motion, Personal Contact and Pre-Arrest Screenings. Upon successful completion of a written test (80% Passing Score) the student must successfully perform and complete a SFST Proficiency. Upon successful completion of all course requirements, the student will be certified as a SFST/DUI Practitioner.

Who should attend: (Class Max 15)

Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites:

SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer or prior Officers that attended a NHTSA certified SFST/DUI course. The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Traffic Safety Unit must have approved the NHTSA certification, which needs to be **within the last three years and must not include a test failure (written or proficiency).**

Students must be able to perform a Standardized Field Sobriety Test prior to the day of class.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Executive Management – SCCJA (15.5) CLEE Credit Hours 3 Days Class Fee: \$35	April 20 - 22, 2027	CJA 60

Course Description:

This course is designed for the newly promoted officer to the command staff or the officer who exhibits the qualities required of a member of the command staff. The suggested rank requirement for attendance is lieutenant or above. The forum for the class consists of lecture, guest speakers, and small group problem solving. Topics include media relations, departmental staffing, and specialization, recruiting and retention, obtaining feedback, leadership at senior levels, and the challenges of command staff.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 60)

Recently selected law enforcement or detention officer to the command staff of an agency or those identified as possessing the qualifications for assignment to the command staff. The suggested rank requirement for attendance is lieutenant or above. Class I or Class II certified officers only.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Field Training Officer Manager SCCJA (35 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Day Class Fee: \$70	August 24 - 28, 2026	CJA 25
	November 02 - 06, 2026	CJA 25
	January 11 - 15, 2027	CJA 25
	May 24 - 28, 2027	CJA 25

Course Description:

The Field Training Officer Management program is designed for departments interested in teaching the SCCJA Field Training Officer curriculum to Field Training Officers who will train recruits in an FTO program.

This 5-day training course will include topics such as Elements of a successful FTO program, Manager Duties, Holistic Leadership, Problem Based Learning, and a detailed overview of the newly developed SCCJA FTO Program.

Officers who complete the course will be certified by the SCCJA as a Field Training Officer Manager and receive access to the new SCCJA FTO Program to teach their officers.

Who Should Attend/Prerequisites: (Class Max – 25)

Class 1 Law Enforcement certification is required. The officer must be certified in either Specific Skills or Basic Instructor Development. The officer should also be responsible for managing the department’s FTO program and should have either attended the SCCJA Field Training Officer program or have a general familiarity with modern FTO programs.

Attendees are **required** to bring a copy of their agency’s current FTO Program policy.

Proficiency/Credits:

100% class participation is required.

Class will be expected to conduct lesson teach-backs at the end of the training week.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Fingerprint Recognition & Comparison (21 CLEE Credit Hours) 4 Days Class Fee: \$50 <i>Held in Forensics Building</i>	November 02 - 05, 2026 April 19 - 22, 2027	CJA 15 CJA 15

Course Description:

This course is designed for Class I, II, or III, certified law enforcement officers who have the responsibilities of analyzing, comparing, and evaluating latent fingerprints for identification or comparison purposes. Topics include fingerprint pattern recognition and identification and limited latent fingerprint comparison. This is a demanding course; it deals with the rules governing fingerprint patterns and provides the student with the basic skills to advance to latent print comparisons coding for AFIS.

This course does not provide training on techniques of rolling fingerprints in detention or booking type settings, nor does it address processing crime scenes for latent prints. It does not cover coding ten print cards into AFIS.

Who Should Attend: [Class Max – 15]

Students must be Class I, II, or III, certified law enforcement officers assigned as fingerprint technicians with a law enforcement agency.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Firearms Instructor School (42.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	August 24 - 28, 2026 October 19 - 23, 2026 March 01 - 05, 2027 April 12 - 16, 2027	CJA 20 CJA 20 CJA 20 CJA 20

Course Description:

This course is designed for officers who will serve as firearms instructors for their agency. Topics covered include the mechanics and techniques of practical firearms training, running the range, and classroom presentations for auto-pistols and shotguns. There is also an emphasis on how to appropriately address student shooting fundamentals through adult learning concepts. Each department is limited to one officer per class.

Report promptly to the Firearms Range at 8:00 AM.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 20)

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who have current Specific Skills or Basic Instructor certifications. Only officers who pass the firearms qualification course on their first attempt (90% shot on the Monday morning of the class) are allowed to participate in the Firearms Instructor Course.

Proficiency:

For an officer to attend the SCCJA Firearms Instructor Class, they must first pass the qualification course on the first attempt. This course measures the officer's marksmanship skills and ability to safely handle a firearm. The officer must demonstrate the skill and ability to fire a minimum score of 90% on pre-determined qualification courses and a written exam.

Officer is responsible for bringing own special equipment:

- Duty Gear & Handgun
- Ammunition (800 rounds) with minimum of 3 magazines
- Shotgun (Academy will provide shotgun ammo)
- Safety equipment (hearing & eye protection, baseball style hat and vest)
- Cleaning Equipment/supplies
- Flashlight/weapon mounted light for night fire
- Material to do classroom presentation

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Fit for Duty (3 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 29, 2026	CJA 24
	October 21, 2026	CJA 24
	January 6, 2027	CJA 24
	March 3, 2027	CJA 24
	April 28, 2027	CJA 24
	June 23, 2027	CJA 24

Course Description:

This classroom presentation will cover information on physical fitness training and nutrition as it pertains to the law enforcement/correctional officer. Various other wellness topics will be addressed as well. Officers will receive information on how to develop their own personal training program, in addition to learning various nutritional guidelines to help them attain their own personal dietary needs.

Who should attend: (Class Max – 24)

This class may also be utilized to facilitate Class I/Class II officers with methods of how to be successful on the PAT Test when needed to attend certain specific Advanced Training Classes offered at the Academy.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Footwear Tire Tread Documentation/ Collection (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5 <i>Held in Forensics Building</i>	August 10, 2026	CJA 15
	January 04, 2027	CJA 15
	March 08, 2027	CJA 15

Course Description:

The student will participate in a “hands on” approach to recognizing, documenting, collecting, and preserving footwear/ tire tread evidence. The class will involve classroom instruction as well as active participation using multiple techniques while collecting evidence for future examination and comparison. The student is encouraged to bring any of their issued equipment for use during the class to familiarize themselves with those items, but it is not required.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 15)

Class I and Class III certified law enforcement officers who are assigned as Investigators that work crime scenes.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Graffiti Recognition	July 15, 2026	CJA 25
(7.75 CLEE Credit HOURS)	October 07, 2026	CJA 25
1 Day	January 13, 2027	CJA 25
Class Fee: \$5	March 31, 2027	CJA 25

Course Description:

This course is designed to teach law enforcement officers how to recognize, categorize, decipher, and prosecute graffiti within their jurisdiction. Officers will gain an understanding of the South Carolina Graffiti Vandalism Law, the four types of graffiti, graffiti styles, graffiti tools, how to decipher graffiti, and graffiti investigation and prosecution. Students are encouraged to bring graffiti examples to class for evaluation.

Who should attend: (Class Max-25)

Certified Class I, II, or III officers that may have interactions with suspected gangs or gang members or may be involved in identifying, documenting, or prosecuting gangs, gang members, or graffiti vandals. This class is Part 2 of a 2-part series, (Criminal Gang Overview for Law Enforcement is part 1). Both classes are scheduled consecutively over a two-day period. It is highly recommended that they be taken back-to-back to provide the student with a well-rounded understanding of the subject.

Special Note: Lodging and meals allowed if attending Criminal Gang Overview and/or Open-Source Intelligence the other days (Daily Fees apply).

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Hostage & Crisis	July 27 - 31, 2026	CJA 15
Negotiations	September 21 - 25, 2026	CJA 15
(40 CLEE Credit Hours)	January 04 - 08, 2027	CJA 15
5 Days	March 01 - 05, 2027	CJA 15
Class Fee: \$70	April 12 - 16, 2027	CJA 15
	June 21 - 25, 2027	CJA 15

Course Description:

Subjects who are threatening to commit suicide or subjects actively involved in the hostage-taking of an innocent victim(s) present a very challenging, highly emotional, and life-threatening dilemma to law enforcement entities. Law enforcement hostage/crisis negotiations are based on a set of fundamentals, concepts, and skills that are designed to address and communicate with individuals in crisis. The most important goal in all law enforcement hostage/crisis negotiations is to save lives. This is done by working to achieve a non-violent resolution through communication. The skills utilized in this endeavor are designed to enhance active listening, express empathy, build rapport, and then influence the actions and behaviors of the individual in crisis. The purpose of this class is to provide agencies with officers that are taught the advanced skills needed to address subjects involved in a suicidal crisis situation or subjects(s) involved in the hostage-taking of innocent victims.

Students will learn how to manage these highly emotional and dangerous situations. Students will learn how to assess all factors relating to the logistics of these situations as well as the subject(s) motivation and behavior. Students will learn the skills necessary to communicate with the subject(s) involved in these situations. The skills utilized in this endeavor are designed to enhance active listening, express empathy, build rapport, and then to influence the actions and behaviors of the individual in crisis.

Resources Required:

This course includes practical applications for various types of crisis situations and is designed to provide a realistic practical experience for the student. As such, it may require participation in extended training hours and will necessitate involvement in highly charged and potentially stressful scenarios.

Proficiency/Credits:

Students will be administered a Final Examination consisting of 25 questions. Students must show proficiency by obtaining a score of at least 80%.

Reporting Instructions:

Please report promptly to SCCJA at 8:00AM.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 15)

Prerequisite:

Class I and II officers with at least 5 years' experience unless assigned to a specialized unit.

Officers assigned to positions where they may be tasked with response to a crisis incident and engage in an ongoing negotiation. This is an advanced, and highly specialized skill, that is taught during this training class. Agencies should choose candidates based on years of service and events that have shown these officers to possess excellent crisis solving skills.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Human Trafficking – SCCJA (6.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 23, 2026	CJA 25
	September 24, 2026	CJA 25
	November 19, 2026	CJA 25
	February 25, 2027	CJA 25
	April 22, 2027	CJA 25
	June 24, 2027	CJA 25

Course Description:

This block of instruction is designed to bring awareness of human trafficking to the law enforcement officer. This course will look at the dynamics of human trafficking, characteristics of traffickers, and victims. The officer will also better understand the difference between human trafficking and smuggling. The course will also discuss the state and federal laws of human trafficking and the Victims of Violence and Protection Act. Victim resources will also be discussed.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 25)

Certified Class I, II, or III officers, LE officers in a supervisory position, investigators, and law enforcement victim advocates.

COURSE	FALL DATES	SPRING DATES
Intox DMT Operator (8 CLEE Credit Hours) ALL CLASSES HELD IN CJA Intox DMT LAB 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 09, 2026 July 23, 2026 August 06, 2026 August 20, 2026 September 03, 2026 September 30, 2026 October 15, 2026 November 12, 2026 December 03, 2026	January 14, 2027 January 28, 2027 February 11, 2027 February 25, 2027 March 25, 2027 April 08, 2027 May 20, 2027 June 03, 2027 June 17, 2027

Course Description:

This course is designed to provide the law enforcement officer with a thorough training background in the operation of the Intox DMT. The course is divided into two phases: a classroom lecture phase and hands- on training for the operation of the Intox DMT. The classroom lecture covers the current laws in South Carolina regarding DUI, Felony DUI, Implied Consent, Videotaping, and other related alcohol offenses. The history of breath testing in South Carolina and across the nation is discussed. The operation of the Intox DMT is reviewed and the students are taken, step by step, through the Intox DMT operational steps. The hands-on phase of the course consists of students operating the Intox DMT in the lab and includes various testing modes, how to handle refusals, the cause and meaning of incomplete tests, the meaning of status codes, and the changing of the Intox DMT simulator solution.

Who should attend: (Class Max - 20) Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Proficiency: Attendees must successfully pass both the written test with a 70% as well as pass a proficiency test.

Prerequisites: SC Class I Certified Officers

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Intox DMT Operator Online Recertification (2 CLEE Credit Hours)	Starting June 1, 2027	Online/Unlimited

Course Description:

This course is designed to refresh the currently certified (not expired) operator’s knowledge and training on the Intox DMT as well as the most current implied consent laws and impaired driving laws. Students are required to score 70% or better on the written test in order to pass this course. Intox DMT certification is valid for 24 months from the date of certification. Officers are required to take the online certification within the 24-month window or their certification will expire. There are no exceptions to this policy. If an operator’s certification expires, the operator will be required to take the full Intox DMT Operator Certification course. Only one attempt at the recertification is allowed.

Who should attend: Currently certified Intox DMT Operators involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Class I Certified Officers with current (Not Expired) Intox DMT certification.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Juvenile Procedures (6.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	November 11, 2026 April 22, 2027	CJA 30 CJA 30

Course Description:

This course will teach the detention officer the necessary statutes and information surrounding a juvenile offender, from “pickup order” to release. It will also provide a detailed analysis into proper pick up, holding, housing, and management of a juvenile offender who has been taken into custody.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 30)

Class 2 officers; specifically, any detention officers who have the responsibility of working with juvenile offenders; training officers, supervisors and management personnel are encouraged to attend.

Purpose of Course:

The purpose of this class is to create a better understanding of the role that detention agencies play in processing a juvenile into the criminal justice system.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Latent Print Techniques (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5 <i>Held in Forensics Building.</i>	July 15, 2026 August 26, 2026 November 18, 2026 March 03, 2027 March 31, 2027 May 12, 2027	CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15 CJA 15

Course Description:

The student will participate in a “hands on” approach to recognizing, documenting, collecting, and preserving latent and patent print evidence. The class will involve classroom instruction as well as active participation using multiple techniques while collecting evidence for future examination and comparison. The student is encouraged to bring any issued equipment for use during the class to become familiar with those items, but it is not required.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max –15)

Class I, II and Class III certified officers who work crime scenes.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Mid-Level Management (22.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 3 Days Class fee: \$35 No Fee for Field Classes	August 18 - 20, 2026	CJA 20
	September 15 - 17, 2026	CJA 20
	October 20 - 22, 2026	CJA 20
	November 18 - 20, 2026	Myrtle Beach PD 25
	December 07 - 09, 2026	Charleston PD 25
	January 27 - 29, 2027	Greenville County SO 25
	February 10 - 12, 2027	Beaufort County SO 25
	February 23 - 25, 2027	Aiken County SO 25
	March 16 - 18, 2027	CJA 20
	April 06 - 08, 2027	Chester County SO 25
	May 18 - 20, 2027	CJA 20
June 23 - 25, 2027	CJA 20	

Course Description:

This course is designed for the newly promoted mid-level supervisor of a law enforcement agency or detention facility to better acquaint the officer with principles and styles of leadership while also focusing on the importance of emotional intelligence. Topics covered include ethics, core values and beliefs, communications skills, performance appraisals, discipline, suicide intervention and prevention and leadership concepts. Class utilizes discussion, lecture and problem solving in small groups.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 20)

Division commanders and other mid-level officers (sergeants, lieutenants, and captains) or those with a minimum rank who require professional development for potential assignment as mid-level managers. These must be Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Motorcycle Collision Investigation (40 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	August 24 - 28, 2026	CJA 14
	March 22 - 26, 2027	CJA 14

Course Description:

This course is designed to train collision reconstructionist to reconstruct motorcycle collisions. In this course, the student will learn how to calculate speeds of motorcycles involved in collisions using airborne, motorcycle, kinetic energy, and time and distance equations. The student must have successfully completed all three (3) collision reconstruction investigation courses as a pre-requisite.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT’S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max: 14)

Class 1 Officers who have successfully completed all three (3) phases of collision investigation classes.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Successfully completed: TCI –Phase 1 At-Scene Collision Investigation, TCI – Phase 2 Technical Collision Investigation, and TCI - Phase 3 Reconstruction.

The officer is responsible for bringing their own special equipment: a scientific calculator, blue blitz, and a laptop computer that is capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
OC Instructor (11 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Days Class Fee: \$20	September 21 - 22, 2026 May 24 - 25, 2027	CJA 16 CJA 16

Course Description:

This course is designed to certify an officer as an Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 16)

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who will be responsible for directly conducting OC training within their agency. To be eligible to attend, the applicant must be a South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Currently Certified Instructor who has successfully completed either the Specific Skills or Basic Instructor courses.

Proficiency:

Attendees must make a minimum score of 85% on a written test and successfully achieve a pass rating on the proficiency test. Students will also be required to receive a live exposure of OC spray. *****Live exposure is first day of class, and officers attending are expected to be prepared with a change of clothing, a towel, and soap for a shower.*****

Special Equipment:

Duty Belt and Gun Holster Tactical Pants O.C. Holster	Handcuffs w/ Key Knee Pads (optional)
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***** For live exposure – clothes may be athletic attire*****

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
OC Instructor Online Recertification (5.5 CLEE Credit Hours)	Online	Online

Course Description:

This course is designed to recertify an officer as an Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor.

Who Should Attend:

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who are **currently certified as an Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor** and will be responsible for directly conducting OC training within their agency. To be eligible to attend, the applicant must be a South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Currently Certified Instructor who has successfully completed either the Specific Skills or Basic Instructor courses.

Proficiency:

Upon successful completion of the video instructional portion and online test (85% Passing Score), the student will be required to complete and submit an OC proficiency test, administered by a current certified OC Instructor, within two weeks (14 Calendar Days) of their written test date through ACADIS.

Successful completion and submission of the proficiency test within the two-week deadline is required in order to maintain OC Instructor certification. Failure to properly recertify will result in revocation of your OC Instructor certification, and you will need to retake the OC Instructor certification course. Officers are allowed one attempt at the recertification. A failure of the first attempt written test or failure to pass or submit the proficiency test within 14 calendar days will require the officer to attend the OC Instructor course to regain certification.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Organized Crime and Narcotics (30 CLEE Credit Hours) 4 Days Class Fee: \$50	July 28 - 31, 2026	CJA 20
	October 20 - 23, 2026	CJA 20
	January 19 - 22, 2027	CJA 20
	April 13 - 16, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

This four-day course will prepare officers to successfully conduct advanced drug enforcement, gang, and organized crime investigations. Officers will receive training for identifying organized crime groups and gangs, initiating long-term investigations, using various investigative techniques, and conducting extended surveillance operations

Class starts at 8:30 AM.

Who Should Attend/Prerequisites: (Class Max - 20)

Only Class I law enforcement officers who are or will be assigned to drug enforcement, gang/vice units, long-term investigative assignments or task force officers. Attendees should have a working knowledge of drug enforcement and/or basic investigative skills prior to attending.

Proficiency/Credits: None

Continuing Certification Requirements: None

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Patrol Rifle Instructor (30 CLEE Credit Hours) 4 Days Class Fee: \$50	October 19 - 22, 2026	CJA 10
	February 16 - 19, 2027	CJA 10
	March 15 - 18, 2027	CJA 10

Course Description:

This course is designed for the officer who will serve as the department's instructor to teach their personnel in the proper handling and use of patrol rifles. Each department is limited to one slot per class.

Report promptly to the Range at 8:00 AM.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 10)

Certified Class I officers who have completed Specific Skill/Basic Instructor Development and have successfully passed the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Basic Patrol Rifle course and Firearms Instructor course or a law enforcement equivalent.

Proficiency:

Officers must score 90% on qualification course and pass all daily proficiency exercises during the week to receive certification credit.

Special Equipment:

Officers will need to bring a patrol rifle, sling, appropriate range clothing and protection, and cleaning equipment. Each attending officer must bring their own 750 rounds of 5.56-caliber ammunition and 50 rounds of pistol ammunition.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Pedestrian/Bicycle Collision Investigation (40 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	July 13 - 17, 2026 May 24 - 28, 2027	CJA 20 CJA 20

Course Description:

This course is designed to train the collision reconstructionist to reconstruct pedestrian and bicycle collisions. The student will learn how to calculate speeds in pedestrian and bicycle collisions using a multi-disciplinary approach. This course includes airborne, Searle, Eubanks, kinetic energy, and time and distance equations to name a few of the many involved in solving these cases. The student must have successfully completed all three (3) collision reconstruction investigation courses as a pre-requisite.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT’S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max 20) Officers who have successfully completed all three (3) phases of collision investigation classes.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Successfully completed: TCI –Phase 1 At-Scene Collision Investigation, TCI – Phase 2 Technical Collision Investigation, and TCI - Phase 3 Reconstruction Officer is responsible for bringing own special equipment: scientific calculator, blue blitz, and a laptop computer that is capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Principles of Supervision (22.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 3 Days Class fee: \$35 No Fee for Field Classes	July 07 - 09, 2026	Charleston County SO 25
	July 20 - 22, 2026	Greenville County SO 25
	August 04 - 06, 2026	CJA 20
	September 09 - 11, 2026	Aiken County SO 25
	September 23 - 25, 2026	Myrtle Beach PD 25
	October 07 - 09, 2026	Beaufort County SO 25
	October 13 - 15, 2026	CJA 20
	January 12 - 14, 2027	CJA 20
	February 16 - 18, 2027	CJA 20
	March 09 - 11, 2027	Chester County SO 25
	May 04 - 06, 2027	CJA 20
	June 09 - 11, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

Principles of Supervision is a foundational leadership course designed for newly promoted or aspiring law enforcement supervisors. This course develops the essential skills and mindset required to transition from peer to leader while building credibility, accountability, and trust within a team. Through lessons on setting and enforcing expectations, active supervision, communication, emotional intelligence, servant leadership, motivation, morale-building, and managing problem officers, participants learn how to lead with integrity and purpose. Emphasizing both professional and personal balance, the course blends leadership theory with real-world law enforcement application, preparing supervisors to model the standard, foster team cohesion, and lead with both authority and empathy.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 20)

Recently selected law enforcement, detention officers (Class I and Class II), or BTOT operators in any supervisory position.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Responding to the Mentally III In Detention Centers (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	December 16, 2026	CJA 20
	May 19, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

This course will give the officer an in-depth look at some of the common types of mental illnesses faced in the detention setting. Emphasis will be placed on the recognition of signs and symptoms with proper notification to appropriate personnel as well as proven examples of de-escalation techniques.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 20)

This course would benefit anyone working in a detention environment with the likelihood of long-term housing. Officer should be Class 2 certified.

Purpose of Course:

The purpose of this course is to assist detention officers as well as the law enforcement officers in dealing with and understanding some of the most common types of mental illnesses they may encounter as they deal with detainees.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
School Resource Officer (72 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Weeks Class Fee: \$140	July 13 - 24, 2026	CJA 60
	August 10 - 21, 2026	CJA 60
	October 19 - 30, 2026	CJA 60
	March 01 - 12, 2027	CJA 60
	June 14 - 25, 2027	CJA 60

Course Description:

This is a two-week course designed primarily for law enforcement officers who are assigned to K-12 schools, working in an educational environment and with school administrators. This course covers areas specific to the roles, responsibilities, and job duties to provide skills for officers to build positive relationships with both students and staff.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max - 60)

SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officers or Class 3 Advanced who will be assigned to work in a school setting either full-time or part-time and/or those officers who supervise School Resource Officers should register to attend this class.

Prerequisite:

SC Class 1 or Class 3 Advanced Certified Officers

Resources Required:

Printed copy of South Carolina Bar Association "Law for Police and Youth" Training Guide for School Resource Officers" found in ACADIS under Manuals.

Proficiency: Officer must achieve a minimum of 70% on a multiple choice written test in order to pass the course. Students must successfully participate in all group/individual activities such as SC Bar Presentation, other classroom exercises and scenarios that occur during class time.

Special Note: Class Location Village Cafeteria. Active Shooter Single Man Response will be held at 314 Main Street, Gilbert, SC at the SLED School Training Facility.

July 24, 2026

August 21, 2026

October 30, 2026

March 12, 2027

June 25, 2027

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Sexual Assault Investigation (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 20, 2026	CJA 20
	September 21, 2026	CJA 20
	November 16, 2026	CJA 20
	February 22, 2027	CJA 20
	April 19, 2027	CJA 20
	June 21, 2027	CJA 20

Course Description:

This lesson plan focuses on a victim-centered/trauma-informed investigation into sexual assaults. Students will develop an understanding and skills of how to investigate sexual assaults while maintaining a positive environment for victims.

Who should attend: (Class Max – 20): 100% attendance for class credit

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Social Media and Open-Source Intelligence (7.5 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee: \$5	July 16, 2026	CJA 25
	October 08, 2026	CJA 25
	January 14, 2027	CJA 25
	April 01, 2027	CJA 25

Course Description:

This course is designed to give students an understanding of open-source intelligence and how to use it in an investigation. Officers will gain an understanding of OSINT, covert accounts, safety and legal concerns, and a review of search tools. It is recommended that students bring examples and internet connected devices for class participation.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max-25)

Certified Class I, II, or III officers that may be involved in pre-warrant online investigations.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Specific Skills Instructor (24 CLEE Credit Hours) 3 Days Class Fee: \$35	July 07 - 09, 2026	CJA 18
	August 25 - 27, 2026	CJA 18
	September 15 - 17, 2026	CJA 18
	November 17 - 19, 2026	CJA 18
	December 08 - 10, 2026	CJA 18
	February 23 - 25, 2027	CJA 18
	March 23 - 25, 2027	CJA 18
	June 08 - 10, 2027	CJA 18

Course Description:

This course is for department selected officers to instruct approved lesson plans in a specialized area within their agency. Upon completion of this course, officers will **ONLY** be able to teach from approved lesson plans in the areas of basic, advanced, in-service, pre-service, etc... within their agency. This class is a prerequisite for Firearms, Driving, Radar, Ground Defense, Defensive Tactics, and other instructor-certified courses at the Academy. This course covers instructing from an approved lesson plan, public speaking, and classroom management techniques. Upon completion of the course, an officer will be accredited by the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy as a Specific Skills Instructor.

Class starts at 8:30 AM.

Who should attend/prerequisites: (Class Max – 18)

Only Class I and Class II officers selected by their department/agency to be an instructor in a specific skills area should register to attend this class.

*****Officers attending the class MUST BRING AN APPROVED LESSON PLAN WITH VISUAL AIDS from their department. Officers must have the lesson plan and visual aids upon arrival for the class, or they will not be allowed to proceed with the course *****

Proficiency/Credits:

To pass the course, officers must achieve a minimum of 80% on a 15-minute instructional presentation.

Continuing Certification Requirements:

In order for an officer to maintain Specific Skills Instructor Certification, he/she must teach a minimum of 40 hours over a three (3) year period. If an officer is unable to teach a full 40 hours during the three (3) year certification period he/she will be required to attend one (1) week of Practical Problems as a guest instructor for a Basic Law Enforcement class, prior to the certification expiring.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Speed Measuring Device Instructor (40 CLEE Credit Hours)	August 31 - September 04, 2026	CJA 12
	October 12 - 16, 2026	Hosted by Berkeley Co. So.
	November 09 - 13, 2026	Hosted by York Co. So.
If held at SCCJA:	January 04 - 08, 2027	CJA 12
Class Fee: \$70 (5 Days)	April 19 - 23, 2027	CJA 12
No Fee for Field Classes	Additional Field Classes TBA	

Course Description:

The Speed Measuring Device Instructor training program will provide the knowledge and skills necessary to train other law enforcement officers to detect and apprehend speeding vehicles by utilizing current speed measurement devices as well provide a better foundation for speed enforcement for court purposes. This is a 40-hour course.

To be eligible to attend, the officer must be a Class 1 certified law enforcement officer who holds a current SMD operator certification. The officer must also be currently certified as a Specific Skills Instructor or Basic Instructor.

The Speed Measuring Device Instructor candidate will be required to complete a SMD proficiency on the first day of class and is required to pass on the first attempt in order to continue training. The requirements for the Instructor SMD proficiency include Radar front/rear both moving and stationary, a Lidar proficiency, a Stopwatch/ASC proficiency.

The instructor candidate must also pass a written test (80% minimum score) and successfully complete a timed presentation during the course. The candidate will be required to have available to them a vehicle mounted radar unit which they plan to utilize for instruction in the field, this must include both working forward and rear facing radar antennae. The candidate is also required to bring a laptop computer to view course documents during the duration of this class.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT’S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max 12) Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and who have been approved as instructors within their departments.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer with a current SMD operator certification and holds an active Specific Skills Instructor or Basic Instructor Development certificate.

Officer is Responsible for bringing own special equipment: laptop computer, scientific calculator, pencil, scratch paper, and a RADAR unit (Patrol Vehicle Mounted) and LIDAR unit (if available).

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Speed Measuring Device (SMD) Instructor Recertification (5 CLEE Credit Hours)	May 01, 2026 - October 31, 2026 (10/31/2026 Expiration)	Online/Unlimited
	May 01, 2027 - October 31, 2027 (10/31/2027 Expiration)	Online/Unlimited

Course Description:

The Speed-Measuring Device Instructor Recertification Training program will reinforce the knowledge and skills taught during the speed measuring device instructor initial training. SMD Instructors are NOT required to take the online SMD Recertification course. If a SMD Instructor takes the online SMD Recertification course, then they must perform a SMD proficiency and properly submit it to the Traffic Safety Unit or this could also result in a failure resulting in loss of SMD Operator and SMD Instructor Certification. If a SMD Instructor takes the online SMD Recertification course and fails to acquire a passing grade of 80% or higher the officer loses both the SMD Operator certification as well as the SMD Instructor certification.

Instructors should complete the online form showing throughout the three (3) year period as a Speed Measurement Device Instructor, they completed a minimum of either two (2) classes taught either as a Lead, Assistant, or Adjunct Instructor OR have completed 3 road proficiencies that were submitted within 24 hours of the proficiency being completed. Instructors will be required to submit electronic copies of completed paperwork for proficiencies and classes taught.

Once the online form has been completed, Speed Measurement Device Instructors will then be required to complete a road proficiency with a South Carolina Speed Measurement Device Instructor. During the proficiency, Instructors wishing to recertify will be required to complete the entirety of the proficiency packet, excluding Stopwatch Mode and Fastest Mode. All other modes must be completed, or the proficiency will be considered a failure.

For this class instructors will need access to a vehicle that has both front and rear facing antennas, and a lidar unit.

Who should attend: All SMD Instructors currently in need of recertification on their third year of certification.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer who is currently certified as a SMD Instructor and who holds a current Specific Skills Instructor or Basic Instructor Development certification.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Speed Measuring Device (SMD) Operator (24 CLEE Credit Hours)	July 14 - 16, 2026	CJA 12
	August 18- 20, 2026	CJA 12
	December 08 - 10, 2026	CJA 12
If held at SCCJA:	February 09 - 11, 2027	CJA 12
Class Fee:\$35 (3 Days)	April 13 - 15, 2027	CJA 12
No Fee for Field Classes	May 11 - 13, 2027	CJA 12
Additional Field Classes TBA		

Course Description:

The Speed Measuring Device Operator training program is designed to improve speed enforcement programs and enable agencies to better allocate their resources. This course is specifically designed to provide officers with the knowledge and skills necessary to properly operate speed measuring devices. Upon successful completion of the written test (80% Passing Score). The student will then be required to submit to a SMD road proficiency test, which must be completed and submitted by the last day of the fourth week (28 Calendar Days) after the written test. The student will be required all planned modes of enforcement operation on the submitted proficiency. If Radar is utilized, the minimum requirement is forward stationary and moving modes. The student must be accurate within and average of +/- 3 MPH in all attempted modes of SMD Operation. Upon successful completion of all course requirements, the student will be certified to operate Police Traffic Speed Measuring Devices.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT'S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max 12) Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer or active SC Reserve Law Enforcement Officer.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Speed Measuring Device (SMD) Operator Recertification (5 CLEE Credit Hours)	May 01, 2026 - October 31, 2026 (10/31/2026 Expiration)	Online/Unlimited
	May 01, 2027 - October 31, 2027 (10/31/2027 Expiration)	Online/Unlimited

Course Description:

Online courses will open after May 1st. The SMD Operator Recertification Course is intended for officers who are currently (not expired) SMD Operator certified and whose operator certification expires October 31st of the current year.

The course content is designed to refresh the operator's knowledge and skills learned during the operator course. Upon successful completion of the instructional portion and written test (80% Passing Score), the student will be required to complete and submit a SMD road proficiency test within two weeks (14 Calendar Days) of their written test date.

The SMD road proficiency test submitted must contain all modes utilized by the Operator in enforcement, at a minimum the Operator must complete sections for forward stationary and moving modes. Successful completion and submission of the road proficiency test within the two-week deadline is required in order to maintain SMD Operator certification.

Failure to properly recertify will result in immediate revocation of your operator certification, and you will need to retake the operator certification course. Officers are allowed one attempt at the recertification. A failure of the first attempt written test or failure to pass or submit the proficiency test within 14 calendar days will require the officer to attend the SMD Operator course to regain certification.

Who should attend: Officers that possess an active and current SMD Operator Certification that are in their third year of the certification and expiring.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer or active SC Reserve Law Enforcement Officer with Current (not expired) SMD Operator certificate.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Subject Control Instructor Pre-Qualification	July 29, 2026	CJA
1 Day	September 23, 2026	CJA
Class Fee: \$0	February 03, 2027	CJA
	May 26, 2027	CJA

Course Description:

This course is designed as a pre-qualification for officers who want to take Subject Control Instructor.

PAT Test Requirements for the Program:

Due to this course being physically demanding, a pre-qualification test to assess the candidate’s fitness level will be required prior to registering for the course. The instructor candidate must pass the Physical Abilities Test (PAT), which will be modified by excluding the hurdles, the low crawl, the ditch, the fence, and the window, with a passing time of 2:06 or less, to be eligible to attend this course. **After 6 months, if the officer has not enrolled in a Subject Control Instructor Class, then the pre-qualification must be retaken. The candidate must also sign a waiver prior to attempting the PAT course.**

Report promptly to the Academy Warehouse Bldg. 31, no later than 9:00 AM prepared to run the PAT.

Prerequisites: Class 1, Class 2, successful completion of either the Specific Skills Instructor or the Basic Instructor Development Course.

Special Equipment: Physical Training Clothing.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Subject Control Instructor (34 CLEE Credit Hours) 5 Days Class Fee: \$70	August 17 - 21, 2026	CJA 18
	October 12- 16, 2026	CJA 18
	January 25 - 29, 2027	CJA 18
	March 22 - 26, 2027	CJA 18
	June 14 - 18, 2027	CJA 18

Course Description:

This course is designed to certify officers as Subject Control Instructors. This course is physically demanding, so attendees should be in good physical condition. Must be recertified every three years.

Who should attend: (Class Max – 18)

Class 1 or Class II certified officers who will be directly responsible for teaching or conducting defensive tactics training for other officers, primarily in the detention facility. To be eligible to attend, the officers must be current South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy certified instructor who has successfully completed either the Specific Skills Instructor or the Basic Instructor Development Course.

Proficiency:

Attendees must make a minimum score of 85% on a written test and successfully achieve a pass rating on all techniques on the proficiency test.

Prerequisites: Class 1, Class 2, successful completion of either the Specific Skills Instructor or the Basic Instructor Development Course.

Special Equipment:

Duty Belt and Gun Holster attached, worn on duty	Boots or athletic shoes
Handcuffs with handcuff key	Elbow and Knee Pads (optional)
Tactical Pants	Duty Vests (if Available)
Polo shirts or professional T-shirts	

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Subject Control Instructor Recertification (20 CLEE Credit Hours) 2.5 Days Class Fee: \$20	TBD	CJA 24

Re-Certification Requirements:

Attendees must make a minimum score of 85% on a written test and successfully achieve a “pass” rating on all techniques on the hands-on (proficiency) portion of the test.

Who should attend: (Class Max – 24)

Class I or Class II certified law enforcement officers who are **currently certified as a Subject Control Instructor** and will be directly responsible for teaching or conducting subject control defensive tactics training for detention officers within the law enforcement community. To be eligible to attend, the applicant must be a current South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Certified Instructor who has successfully completed either the Specific Skills or Basic Instructor Development course.

Special Equipment:

Duty Belt (with all holsters attached while worn on duty) Handcuff pouch	Handcuffs with key Tactical Pants
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COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
TCI-Advanced Collision Investigation 24 Hours – 3 Days (24 CLEE Credit Hours) Class Fee if held at SCCJA \$ 35 No Fee for Field Classes	July 29 - 31, 2026 September 30 - October 02, 2026 October 14 - 16, 2026 Additional Field Classes TBA	Hosted by York Co. So. Hosted by North Augusta Hosted by North Myrtle Beach PD

Course Description:

This course is designed to bridge the gap between collision investigation techniques learned in basic law enforcement training and those learned in the collision investigation series. In this course, the student will learn how to correctly respond to, secure, photograph, and document the scene of a serious traffic collision. The student will also learn methods to document and calculate the drag factor, grade, and super-elevation of the roadway and conduct basic speed estimates. This course is not required as a prerequisite for completing Phase I- At Scene Collision Investigation.

FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT’S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max:20)

Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: Certified full-time Class 1 law enforcement officers

The officer is responsible for bringing their own special equipment: a notebook for note-taking, scratch paper for practice calculations, and a pencil.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
TCI-Advanced Reconstruction Refresher (8 CLEE Credit Hours) 1 Day Class Fee \$5	September 23, 2026 March 03, 2027 May 12, 2027	CJA 12 CJA 12 CJA 12

Course Description:

This course is designed to update officers who have already attended both the Pedestrian-Bicycle Collision Investigation and Motorcycle Collision Investigation courses. The course will refresh methodologies taught in each respective course as well as to update those officers who have attended in the past in the usage of new or updated formulae. The course covers topics such as pedestrian trajectories, the pedestrian-bicycle-motorcycle crash sequences, and calculating impact speeds using the Appel, Barzeley & Lacy, Bratten, Fugger & Randles, Limpert, Searle, Horizontal Speed Loss, Toor, Motorcyclist Vault, Wheelbase Deformation, and Wheelbase Deformation and Vehicle crush formulas.

Who should attend: (Class Max: 12)

Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties

Prerequisites: Successful completion of both TCI- Pedestrian-Bicycle Collision Investigation and Motorcycle Collision Investigation.

The officer is Responsible for bringing their own special equipment: a scientific calculator, pencil, and scratch paper for calculations.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
TCI - Phase I At Scene Collision Investigation (80 CLEE Credit Hours) 2 Weeks Class Fee: \$140	September 07 - 18, 2026 January 11 - 22, 2027 May 31 - June 11, 2027	CJA 12 CJA 12 CJA 12

Course Description:

This is the first course in the collision investigation series. This course is designed for police officers who collect and record data at the scenes of motor vehicle collisions. In this course the student will learn how to identify and preserve physical evidence from the traffic way and evidence from the vehicle, how to properly measure and complete a scale diagram, and how to calculate speed estimates from evidence located at the collision scene.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT'S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max: 12)

Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer.

The officer is responsible for bringing their own special equipment: a drafting eraser, colored pencils, and a laptop computer that is capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
TCI - Phase II	April 05 - 16, 2027	CJA 14
Technical Collision Investigation	June 14 - 25, 2027	CJA 14
(80 CLEE Credit Hours)		
2 Weeks		
Class Fee: \$140		

Course Description:

This is the second course in the collision investigation series. In this course the student will learn how to calculate speeds of vehicles involved in collisions using airborne, linear momentum, kinetic energy, and time and distance equations. The student will also learn to use vector diagramming in their investigations. The student must have successfully completed the At Scene Collision Investigation course as a pre-requisite.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT'S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max:14)

Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Successfully completed: TCI –Phase 1 At-Scene Collision Investigation.

Officer is responsible for bringing own special equipment: scientific calculator, blue blitz, drafting eraser, 360-degree counter-clockwise protractor, colored pencils, and a laptop computer that is capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
TCI - Phase III	August 03 - 14, 2026	CJA 12
Collision Reconstruction	April 26 - May 7, 2027	CJA 12
(80 CLEE Credit Hours)		
2 Weeks		
Class Fee: \$140		

Course Description:

This is the third course in the collision investigation series. This course expands upon knowledge learned in Technical Collision Investigation. Through the use of projects, case studies, and live testing the student will learn more in depth methods to calculate speeds of vehicles involved in collisions using airborne, linear momentum, kinetic energy, and time and distance equations. The student will also learn how to write a collision reconstruction report and prepare for trial as a collision reconstructionist. The student must have successfully completed the Technical Collision Investigation course as a prerequisite.

LODGING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS CLASS WHEN HELD AT THE SCCJA. FOR CLASSES HELD IN THE FIELD, THE STUDENT'S AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LODGING AND MEALS.

Who should attend: (Class Max: 12)

Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement and regular patrol duties.

Prerequisites: SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer. Successfully completed: TCI –Phase 1 At-Scene Collision Investigation and TCI – Phase 2 Technical Collision Investigation.

The officer is Responsible for bringing their own special equipment: scientific calculator, blue blitz, drafting eraser, 360-degree counter-clockwise protractor, colored pencils, and a laptop computer that is capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
TCI-Phase III	September 01 - 03, 2026	CJA 12
Reconstruction Refresher	March 09 - 11, 2027	CJA 12
(24 CLEE Credit Hours)		
3 Days		
Class Fee: \$35		

Course Description:

The course will refresh methodologies taught in the phase III Reconstruction class, as well as update those officers who have attended in the past in the usage of new or updated formulae and information.

Who should attend: (Class Max: 12)

Class 1 Officers who have completed all three (3) phases of collision investigation classes.

Prerequisites:

- SC Certified Class 1 Law Enforcement Officer.
- Successfully completed the below TCI Classes:
 - TCI –Phase 1 At-Scene Collision Investigation.
 - TCI – Phase 2 Technical Collision Investigation.
 - TCI – Phase 3 Collision Reconstruction.

The Officer is Responsible for bringing their own Special Equipment: a scientific calculator, Blue Blitz, Drafting Eraser, 360-degree Counter-Clockwise Protractor, Colored Pencils, and a laptop computer capable of running Adobe Acrobat PDF.

COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Training Officer Development	August 18 - 20, 2026	CJA 25
(18 CLEE Credit Hours)	November 17 - 19, 2026	CJA 25
3 Days	February 23 - 25, 2027	CJA 25
Class Fee: \$35	May 18 - 20, 2027	CJA 25

Course Description:

The Training Officer Development course is designed to enhance the ability and readiness level of those officers responsible for the daily management of an agency’s training function. It provides a broad overview of the duties of a

training manager while giving specific attention to the duties carrying the highest degree of responsibility such as certification maintenance, compliance, training liability, misconduct and the contested case hearing process. Other areas of responsibility which are addressed include: completion of mandated paperwork, an overview of the Academy units and responsibilities, background investigations, scheduling, budgeting, records management.

Who Should Attend: (Class Max – 25)

This course is designed as a program for sworn Class I and Class II officers whose primary duties involve the management and administration of an agency’s training function. Administrative personnel assigned to the Training function of an agency may also attend this class in an audit capacity if class space permits.

Prerequisites:

Candidates for this class MUST satisfy the following prerequisites to be considered for enrollment. Candidate’s primary responsibilities must include the management and administration of his/her agency’s training function, i.e., the candidate must be the agency’s designated training officer or a person who is assigned to act on the training officer’s behalf in his/her absence.

Students must have a USB thumb drive to electronically download all forms and manuals.



COURSE	DATES	LOCATION/SEATS
Traffic Safety Officer Conference	TBA August 2027	TBA

Course Description:

The Traffic Safety Officer Conference is for officers to receive additional and up-to-date training in traffic safety-related topics. Officers that have successfully completed the required to be designated as a Traffic Safety Officer, Traffic Safety Instructor, or Traffic Collision Reconstructionist will receive their certificate during the conference.

Who Should Attend: Class 1 Officers involved with traffic enforcement, Officers that have received TSO/TSI/TCR certificate or are scheduled to receive their certificate, and officers who are interested in learning more about traffic safety.

Prerequisites to Receive Designation:

TSO: Successful completion of DMT Operator, SMD Operator, SFST/DUI Practitioner, TCI Phase I (At-Scene), TCI Phase II (Technical), and TCI Phase III (Reconstruction).

TSI: All TSO requirements, BID or SSI, SMD Instructor, SFST/DUI Instructor.

TCR: TCI Phase I (At-Scene), TCI Phase II (Technical), TCI Phase III (Reconstruction), Motorcycle Reconstruction, Ped/Bike Reconstruction, and Commercial Motor Vehicle Collision Reconstruction.