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2020 Florida Law Enforcement Analyst Academy

Overview

History

- No formalized programs in the law enforcement community in Florida that offer enhanced training on techniques and innovations in law enforcement analysis

- Goal of creating the Florida Law Enforcement Analyst Academy was to establish and provide a uniform training curriculum for the field of law enforcement intelligence analysis

- Enhance the field of law enforcement analysis by providing analysts with specialized skills needed to provide law enforcement and other emergency responders with the information and intelligence needed to successfully prevent crime and conduct complex investigations

- Establishment of this analyst academy confirms a career path in investigations for non-sworn personnel in law enforcement

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Where We Are...

- To date, 31 academies have been delivered and over 720 students have graduated to become certified law enforcement analysts in Florida

- The Charter Class began in June 2003 and Class 31 finished September 2020

- About 100 different agencies have been represented since inception – Including 1 in SC, 1 in NJ, and 2 in NC

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Definition

 "Law Enforcement Analyst" means any person who is employed or contracted by any municipality or the state or any political subdivision thereof; whose primary responsibility is to collect, analyze and disseminate data to support, enhance, and direct law enforcement missions. Their efforts are directed at identifying criminal subjects, organizations, activities, events and/or forecasting future crime occurrences utilizing analytical techniques. This definition includes all law enforcement analysts who provide strategic, operational, investigative, intelligence and crime analysis.

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Academy Curriculum

The curriculum covers a wide range of topics, all inclusive of the many law enforcement analyst functions including crime analysis, intelligence analysis, investigative analysis, and administrative/ management/statistical analysis.

The academy is divided into six week-long units delivered over the course of six months.

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Week #1

- **Program overview and introduction**
- **Strategic assessment overview**
  - *Issue identification*
  - *Planning for assessment*
  - *Evidence-based policing*
- **Creating law enforcement intelligence products**
- **Electronic data manipulation and analysis**

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Week #2

- **Critical Thinking**
- **Other program activities:**
  - *Strategic Assessment topic approval*
  - *Two topics must be submitted for consideration by Monday of Week #2. Outlines will be submitted for both choices*

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Week #3

- **Background Research /Subject Biographies**
- **Cybercrime Investigations**
- **Open Source and Social Media Investigations**
- **Cellular Phone Analysis**
- **Other program activities:**
  - *Quiz covering materials from weeks #1 and #2*
  - *Strategic Assessment draft introduction must be submitted by Monday of week #3*

Week #4

- **Association & Flow Analysis**
- **Crime Analysis, Mapping and Forecasting**
- **Statistical Analysis**
- **Financial Analysis**
- **Other program activities:**
  - *Quiz covering materials from week #3*

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Week #5

- Ethics for Law Enforcement Analysts
- Privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections
- Role of federal, state, and local partners in the Information Sharing Environment (ISE)
- Professional Development for Analysts
- Courtroom and Deposition Testimony
- Terrorism and Domestic Security Briefing
- Other program activities:
  - *Quiz covering materials from week #4*
  - *Strategic Assessment is must be submitted in electronic form by Friday of the week following week #5*

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Week #6

Final Exam

Students will complete a cumulative final exam covering topics from weeks #1 through #5

Strategic Assessment Briefings – Practice and Final Presentation

Students will practice and then deliver a formal briefing before a panel of senior law enforcement analysts and sworn members. Briefings are between 12 and 20 minutes in length and are intended to present the students' findings, recommendations and conclusions of their Strategic Assessment assignment

Award of Certificates and Graduation

Students will be awarded designation as a Florida-Certified Law Enforcement Analyst upon successful completion of all requirements of the Analyst Academy

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Grading Process

- All grading criteria and processes are based on a scale of 1 to 100

- Students will need 80 points to pass the overall certification process

- Any student who does not achieve 80 points or above overall, will be given an opportunity to re-take the final examination. This opportunity is contingent upon the possibility of an 80% overall grade with the retake.

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Grading Process

- The following is a breakdown of how the final grade will be determined:

  - *20%   Quizzes*
  - *20%   Assignments*
  - *25%   Strategic Assessment*
  - *15%   Individual Presentation*
  - *20%   Final Examination*

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