



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

New Mexico Junior College



Law Enforcement Academy Entrance Requirements

- 1) You must be a citizen of the United States or a legal resident that holds a government-issued Birth Certificate, Passport, Naturalization Papers, and/or Resident Card or Paperwork
- 2) You must be at least 18 years of age prior to entering the academy, and hold a high school diploma or the equivalent
- 3) You must hold a valid driver's license
- 4) You must not have been convicted, pled guilty to, or entered a plea of nolo contendere to any felony charge within the three-year period immediately preceding your application, to a violation of any federal or state law or local ordinance relating to aggravated assault, theft, driving while intoxicated, controlled substances, or other crimes involving moral turpitude
- 5) You must not have been released or discharged under dishonorable conditions from any of the armed forces of the United States
- 6) You must not have been convicted of any crime involving family violence which violates the 1996 Domestic Violence Offender Gun Ban Federal Statute
- 7) You must submit to an examination conducted by a licensed physician, where it is determined that you are free of any physical condition(s) that might adversely affect your performance as a police officer or prohibit you from successfully completing a prescribed basic law enforcement training program as required by the Law Enforcement Training Act
- 8) You must submit to an examination conducted by a certified psychologist, where it is determined that you are free of any emotional and/or mental condition(s) that might adversely affect your performance as a police officer or prohibit you from successfully completing a prescribed basic law enforcement training program as required by the Law Enforcement Training Act
- 9) You must submit to a fingerprint check and a thorough background investigation
- 10) You must be of good moral character