

# Santa Rosa Junior College

Ranger Academy

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## Item 1. Program Goals and Objectives

This certificate will prepare students to work in a national park, or other regional park as a law enforcement officer.

Upon successful completion of this certificate, the student will be able to:

1. Identify, define and demonstrate basic tasks of peace officers;
2. identify, classify, and apply appropriate provisions of federal law related to peace officers;
3. perform and document complete preliminary investigations assigned to peace officers; and
4. demonstrate the physical skills needed to perform the tasks of a peace officer in the areas of driving, shooting and defensive tactics.

## Item 2. Catalog Description

The Ranger Academy Certificate of Achievement prepares the student to work in a national park or other regional or county park area as a law enforcement officer. The curriculum includes a broad spectrum of federal statutes along with enforcement strategies and protocols. It further includes Constitutional and Federal Law, defensive tactics, firearms, driving and all subjects required by the U.S. Department of the Interior/National Park Service for commission as a Seasonal Law Enforcement Ranger. Santa Rosa Junior College is authorized by the U.S. Department of the Interior/National Park Service to issue this certificate. Individuals who complete the program and receive the certificate may obtain a commission authorizing employment as a Seasonal Law Enforcement Ranger from the U.S. Department of the Interior/National Park Service.

## Item 3. Program Requirements

Key	Course and Title	Units
R	AJ 203A – Ranger Academy Orientation	.25
R	AJ 203B – Ranger Academy	17.25
Total	Minimum number of units to meet certificate requirements	17.50

Year 1, Fall/Spring = 17.50 units

Total Units: = 17.50 units

## Item 4. Master Planning

This certificate replaces an existing skills certificate.

At Santa Rosa Junior College, faculty members with discipline expertise develop all certificates and majors. For AA-T and AS-T degrees, faculty members with appropriate expertise determine which courses align with the C-ID descriptors. The Supervising Administrator(s) then review the application to assure that it aligns with Chancellor's Office criteria for approval and SRJC guidelines for financial feasibility and community need. The Majors Review Committee reviews the application and suggests any changes to assure than all guidelines have been observed. The item is then placed on the Curriculum Review Committee agenda for approval, and when approved, is submitted for approval by the Board of Trustees.

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## Item 5. Enrollment and Completer Projections

- number of sections of core courses to be offered annually: 2
- headcount of student annual enrollment in core courses: 60
- estimated completers at the end of the second year: 96
- estimated completers at the end of the fifth year: 240

## Item 6. Place of Program in Curriculum/Similar Programs

- a) No active inventory records need to be made inactive or changed in connection with the approval of the proposed program.
- b) This program does not replace any existing programs in the college's inventory.
- c) This certificate is one of over 20 certificates offered in our Public Safety department.

## Item 7. Similar Programs at Other Colleges in Service Area

There are no similar programs at other colleges in Santa Rosa Junior College's service area and this is the only such Ranger Academy in the State of California and one of only seven nationwide. The external accreditation for this certificate comes from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Accreditation (FLETA) Board.