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Iowa Law Enforcement Academy
Professionalism Through Training

ILEA NEWS

A NOTE FROM DIRECTOR CARNEY

April 25th was an exciting day for individuals, families and the law enforcement profession as the State of Iowa celebrated 89 new Peace Officers as graduates of Class 319 and Class 320. This week brings 79 fresh faces to the Academy to begin their 16 week journey as members of Classes 321 and 322. Everyone is benefiting from the beautiful weather allowing us to be outside as much as possible. We are eagerly awaiting the financial and staffing clarity that comes with the end of the legislation session. As soon as we know what FY26 funding looks like, we'll share that information with all of you.

Be well, be safe and take care of each other

HAWKEYE CLOSURE

In late April, Hawkeye Community College Regional Law Enforcement Academy notified the ILEA with a Notice of Closure. Their notice read in part:

"Hawkeye Community College Regional Iowa Law Enforcement Academy is surrendering the approval to offer the New Officer Basic Level II Certification law enforcement training (IAC 501-5.1). In October of 2024, we made a difficult decision to cancel the Spring 2025 New Officer Basic Level II Certification training. That decision is now final, and Hawkeye will no longer serve as an approved regional law enforcement training facility..."

For 55 years, Hawkeye has been honored to support community safety by preparing skilled, dedicated law enforcement officers. We are deeply grateful for the enduring trust, collaboration, and support you've shown us over the decades. Thank you for your understanding and partnership."

INSTRUCTOR SCHOOL REGISTRATION REMINDER

We would like to ensure everyone is aware that you can't "hold" spots in an instructor course and then swap out an attendee at a later date. The setup of classes in Acadis does NOT allow for an attendee to be substituted; enrollment is an individual reservation and not an agency placeholder.

What are your duties at ILEA?

I'm the lead driving, bike, and crime scene instructor. I also assist with OWI investigations.

ILEA STAFF SPOTLIGHT

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How long have you worked at ILEA?

I've been with ILEA for over 6 years.

What is your favorite part of working at ILEA?

I enjoy seeing a training come together and watching the recruits skills and abilities improve.

What is a hobby or interest that you enjoy outside of work?

When I'm not doing Dad duties, I enjoy running, hiking, and gardening.

ACADEMY COUNCIL NEWS

Council Membership:

Hardin County Sheriff Dave McDaniel has been appointed to the Academy Council. Representative Eric Gjerde, Melissa Henderson, Kevin Schneider, and Vicky Long-Hill have been reappointed.

POST Exam Calculators:

At the April Meeting, the Academy Council unanimously approved the use of designated calculators by applicants taking the POST exam **beginning on May 5, 2025**. The only approved models are:

- Casio HS-8VA [CasioHS-8VA](#)
- Casio SL-450S [CasioSL-450S](#) (single) [CasioSL-450S](#) (multi pack)
- Casio SL-300SV [CasioSL-300SV](#)
- Texas Instruments TI-503 SV [ti-503sv](#)
- Texas Instruments TI-108 [ti-108](#)

All other Post Exam parameters remain in place.

ILEA Instructor Endorsements:

At the December, February and April meetings, the Academy Council heard petitions for waiver regarding expired ILEA Instructor Endorsements (Defensive Tactics, Driving, Firearms, etc.). At all three meetings, the Academy Council determined that once an ILEA Instructor Endorsement has expired, that particular instructor endorsement is vacated. The individual will need to attend a full Instructor Course in order to obtain an active ILEA Instructor Endorsement.

Please remember ILEA Instructor Endorsements are valid for three years and expire at the end of the calendar year of the third year. ILEA Instructor Endorsement expiration dates can be viewed anytime through Acadis. Renewal opportunities are available throughout the year, and registration is available through Acadis.

BASIC ACADEMY UPDATES



Congratulations!

Graduation Day for Basic Academy Classes 319 and 320 was April 25, 2025. Good luck to them all!



UPCOMING COURSES & TRAINING

AT ILEA (unless noted):

- May 19: Bike Patrol Officer Course
- May 20: OWI/Implied Consent & SFST Refresher and Instructor Renewal *(at Altoona PD)*
- May 28: Investigations: The Intersection of Drug Trafficking and Human Trafficking *(at West Branch FD)*
- May 29: Trauma Informed Sexual Assault Response
- June 11: Defensive Tactics Instructor Renewal
- July 2: OWI/Implied Consent & SFST Refresher and Instructor Renewal *(at Ames City Hall)*
- July 8: Radar Instructor Course

FIREARM TRAINING DATES AND LOCATIONS:

- May 12: Firearms Instructor Renewal *(at Waterloo PD Range)*
- June 9: Firearms Instructor Renewal *(at Black Hawk County SO Range)*
- June 10: Patrol Rifle Instructor Renewal *(at Black Hawk County SO Range)*

TELECOMMUNICATOR DATES AND LOCATIONS:

- May 12 - 16: Telecommunicator Basic 40-Hour Course *(at Scott Co. Emergency Communication Center)*
- July 14 - 18: Telecommunicator Basic 40-Hour Course *(at ILEA)*

JAIL TRAINING DATES AND LOCATIONS:

- May 12 - 16: Jail Basic 40 hour Course & Temporary Holding Facility Basic Course *(at Woodbury Co. Prairie Hills Training Center)*
- June 16 - 20: Jail Basic 40 hour Course & Temporary Holding Facility Basic Course *(at Upper Iowa University, Fayette)*
- July 14 - 18: Jail Basic 40 hour Course & Temporary Holding Facility Basic Course *(at Marion County Public Health)*

ONLINE: ILEA offers many online courses continuously, including courses for Jail and LEO in-service, Implicit Bias & De-Escalation, and Officer Investigations.

NOTE: NOT ALL TRAINING IS LISTED ABOVE. GO TO THE ACADIS PORTAL TO VIEW AND REGISTER FOR ALL TRAINING AND COURSES, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED.

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