



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Safety to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Columbus State Community College for the awarding of college credit to Columbus Division of Police personnel who have received and completed training from the Division's Training Academy. A variety of training conducted at the Police Academy may be eligible for college credit at Columbus State Community College

**Emergency action** is necessary to allow the immediate acceptance and implementation of this agreement.

**Financial impact:** No General Fund monies are involved with this ordinance. Tuition reimbursement will be utilized for subject courses.

To authorize and direct the Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement and execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Columbus State Community College for the awarding of college credit to Columbus Division of Police personnel who have received and completed training from the Division's Training Academy; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.0)

**WHEREAS,** through a successful partnership between the Columbus Division of Police and Columbus State Community College, Columbus Police personnel who have received and completed training from the Columbus Division of Police will be awarded direct college credit to be applied toward college advancement; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to execute and implement the aforementioned agreement and memorandum of understanding, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, therefore

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Public Safety be and is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement and execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Columbus State Community College.

**SECTION 2.** Scope of the Memorandum of Understanding. The finalized agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with Columbus State Community College (CSCC) will allow Division of Police members to receive direct college credit for training provided by the Columbus Division of Police Training Academy. This program will improve the professionalism of the Division and give recognition to the hard work our members put in at the Police Training Academy.

The agreement will allow for the following:

1. The awarding of 23 semester hours of college credit for each recruit who completes our Recruit academy (at no cost to the student or the city).
2. The waiving of all enrollment and administrative fees students are normally charged by Columbus State Community College.
4. The establishment of a strategic partnership between the Division of Police and Columbus State Community College which allows for each to cooperating in the sharing of significant and state-of-the-art facilities.

5. The timely completion of an Associate's Degree by members of the Division.

**Section 3.** Termination. This agreement and MOU may be terminated by either party at any time.

**Section 4.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves or vetoes the same.