

# PROTECTION, SECURITY AND INVESTIGATION

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## Program Outline

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| <b>Major:</b>      | PSIN                    |
| <b>Length:</b>     | 2 Years                 |
| <b>Delivery:</b>   | 4 Semesters             |
| <b>Credential:</b> | Ontario College Diploma |
| <b>Effective:</b>  | 2012-2013               |
| <b>Location:</b>   | Orillia                 |
| <b>Start:</b>      | Fall (Orillia)          |

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### Description

Students are provided with the knowledge and skills necessary to work safely and effectively in a variety of careers in both the private and public sectors of the expanding safety and security industry. By sharing a common first year with the Police Foundations Program, students are provided with an overall understanding of criminal justice and law enforcement in Canada and have the opportunity to transfer between programs after the first year.

Second year students are provided with academic and practical courses which develop the knowledge and skills demanded by today's employers. Areas of study include investigative techniques, defensive skills and use of force applications, security procedures, crisis intervention, emergency management, and computer security. Students will also complete an integrated field placement with a professional organization in the security industry.

### Career Opportunities

Graduates are employed by government organizations, corporate and industrial security agencies, the armed forces, hotels, casinos and retail establishments and may also become self-employed.

Graduates are eligible and adequately prepared to write the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services examinations, which are mandatory for private investigators and security guards in Ontario. Under the Private Security and Investigative Services Act 2005, only candidates who pass the examinations are allowed to apply for a private investigator and/or security guard licence.

### **Program Learning Outcomes**

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- work in compliance with established standards and relevant legislation in the protection, security and investigation fields;
- make decisions in a timely, effective and legally defensible manner to uphold protection and security;
- carry out delegated duties and responsibilities in compliance with organizational policies and procedures and environmental initiatives;
- act equitably and justly with diverse populations;
- work effectively as a member of a protection and security team;
- prevent and resolve crisis, conflict and emergency situations by applying effective techniques;
- conduct and/or contribute to investigations by collecting, preserving and presenting admissible evidence;
- monitor, evaluate and accurately document behaviours, situations and events;
- develop and implement ongoing effective strategies for personal and professional development;
- employ environmentally sustainable practices within the profession;
- identify and connect program specific curriculum and learning outcomes with active engagement and service in the community.

### **The Program Progression:**

Fall Intake - Orillia

| Sem 1        | Sem 2          | Sem 3        | Sem 4          |
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| Fall<br>2012 | Winter<br>2013 | Fall<br>2013 | Winter<br>2014 |

### **Articulation:**

A number of articulation agreements have been negotiated with universities and other institutions across Canada, North America and internationally. These agreements are assessed, revised and updated on a regular basis. Please contact the program co-ordinator for specific details if you are interested in pursuing such an option. Additional

information can be found on our website at  
<http://www.georgianc.on.ca/academics/articulations/>

**Admission Requirements:**

Applicants must meet ONE of the following requirements to be granted admission to this program:

- OSS Curriculum: OSSD or equivalent with Grade 12 English (C) or (U) (ENG4C, ENG4U)
- Academic and Career Entrance Certificate (ACE) program with: Communications
- Ontario High School Equivalency Certificate (GED)
- Mature applicant with standing in the required courses and/or mature student testing that meets the minimum standards for admission

Keyboarding ability, basic computer literacy and word processing skills are also recommended.

Students are required to sign a waiver indicating they are physically and medically able to participate in strenuous physical activity.

Applicants must have a valid Standard First Aid and CPR Level C or HCP certificate before proceeding to field placement or participating in volunteer opportunities. It is recommended that First Aid and CPR training is completed prior to program entry.

Applicants who are 19 years of age or over by the first day of classes, and who lack the academic entrance qualifications, may be considered for entrance to an appropriate post-secondary diploma or certificate program as mature applicants. Each applicant will be considered on an individual basis and acceptance will be determined by counselling, Communication Placement Assessment (CPA), previous post-secondary education and evaluation of experience. Some programs also have specific prerequisite requirements that must be met prior to admission. Mature applicants must meet all program specific prerequisites. Those applying as mature students and having no documentation of Grade 12 education must supply, if required, proof of age, such as a copy of an official birth certificate or driver's licence. Refer to Section 2.5 and 2.6 of the Academic Calendar for further details.

**Criminal Reference Check:**

Placement agencies require an up-to-date clear criminal reference check and vulnerable sector check prior to going out on placement. Students should obtain their criminal reference check approximately one month prior to placement; checks conducted earlier may not be considered current. As some jurisdictions require longer lead-time for processing, please check with the program co-ordinator to ensure you allow for

sufficient turn-around time. Students are required to provide these checks prior to placement start.

NOTE: A record of criminal offences, for which a pardon has not been granted, may prevent the student from completing their placement, thereby affecting their ability to graduate.

**Graduation Requirements:**

- 22 Mandatory Courses
- 2 Communications Courses
- 3 General Education Courses
- 1 Field Placement

**Graduation Eligibility:**

To graduate from this program, the passing weighted average for promotion through each semester, from year to year and to graduate is 60%. Additionally, a student must attain a minimum of 50% or a letter grade of P (Pass) or S (Satisfactory) in each course in each semester.

**Mandatory Courses**

- CJSR2000 Crisis Intervention
- CJSR2003 Use of Force Applications
- COMP2097 Computer and Network Security
- FITN1003 Physical Training 1
- FITN1004 Healthy Living 1
- FITN1005 Physical Training 2
- FITN1006 Healthy Living 2
- FITN2005 Physical Training for Security Professionals
- GOVT1002 Government in Canadian Society
- LAWS1005 Introduction to Security and Protection
- LAWS1010 Contemporary Legal Studies
- LAWS2021 Emergency Management
- LAWS2022 Security Applications 1
- LAWS2026 Investigative Processes
- LAWS2027 Municipal Law Enforcement
- LAWS2038 Security Applications 2
- PFPR1001 Criminal Justice in Canada
- PFPR1003 Issues in Diversity
- PSIN2000 Field Placement Preparation: PSIN
- PSIN2001 Private Investigations
- PSIN2002 Field Placement Seminar PSIN

## PSYL1004 Mental Health Issues

### Communications Courses

To be selected at time of registration from the College list, as determined by testing.

### General Education Courses

To be selected from College list

### Field Placement

PSIN2003 Field Placement PSIN

### **Course Descriptions:**

#### CJSR2000 Crisis Intervention 42.0 Hours

This course is designed to develop the first responder's ability to intervene safely and effectively in situations involving interpersonal conflict and /or individuals in crisis. Students will learn to recognize behaviours which indicate stress and may convey an individual's intention to act violently. Intervention techniques will be stressed and students will have the opportunity to practice effective communication skills that are essential to safely manage anxious, disruptive and violent behaviours.

#### CJSR2003 Use of Force Applications 56.0 Hours

In this course students will explore the legislation and principles which govern the use of force by law enforcement personnel. An understanding of the law enforcement officer's legal and ethical responsibilities in assessing risk and selecting the appropriate response will be developed. Students will have the opportunity to practice a variety of defensive skills and use of force applications, including empty hand techniques and the use of restraints, in a controlled environment.

#### COMP2097 Computer and Network Security 42.0 Hours

In today's rapidly changing world, agencies and private companies need to respond to the global threat of cybercrime. The worldwide reliance on technology has created threats and vulnerabilities that require a security response. This course will introduce students to basic knowledge of the most current trends and issues related to computer, network, and web security and the investigative and technical skills required by security officers to deal with these threats.

#### FITN1003 Physical Training 1 28.0 Hours

This course introduces students to the practical application of health-related physical training which includes cardiovascular fitness, muscular strength and endurance training, flexibility and balance training. Students will participate in various activities

including running, high impact exercises, weight training, flexibility, balance activities, interval and circuit training. Assessment of physical fitness levels will be completed through health-related fitness component testing including timed runs, shuttle runs, push-ups, curl ups, flexion and chin ups.

#### FITN1004 Healthy Living 1 28.0 Hours

This course introduces students to the concepts of fitness, basic health, dimensions of wellness and provides practical strategies for developing and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Students will explore overall wellness, goal setting, time and stress management, general nutrition, emotional health, and physical fitness theory, including cardiovascular, muscle conditioning, flexibility and balance fitness. Students will also examine principles of training.

#### FITN1005 Physical Training 2 28.0 Hours

Building on the skills of Physical Training 1, students will continue to participate in activities to improve cardiovascular abilities, muscle strength and endurance, and increase flexibility and balance. Assessment of physical fitness levels will be completed through health-related fitness component testing including timed runs, shuttle runs, push-ups, curl ups, flexion and chin ups. Law Enforcement testing will be introduced through completion of the Prep Test, PARE Test, and Ontario Police College Physical Fitness Standards.

P- FITN1003 Physical Training 1 or P- LAWS1000 Professional Response Options and Solutions 1 or P- PFPR1006 Fitness for Policing / Lifestyle Management 1

#### FITN1006 Healthy Living 2 28.0 Hours

Building on the theory and knowledge from Healthy Living 1, students will be introduced to program creation strategies and will develop and design an effective personalized fitness, nutrition and wellness plan. Through lectures, research, and self-assessment, students will explore healthy relationships including parenting and sex education, metabolic syndrome, hypokinetic diseases, back health, shift work and common work injuries.

P- FITN1004 Healthy Living 1 or P- LAWS1000 Professional Response Options and Solutions 1

#### FITN2005 Physical Training for Security Professionals 42.0 Hours

Students will continue to participate in activities designed to improve various aspects of physical fitness. Assessment of personal fitness levels will be completed and students will develop and follow a personalized training program to improve individual fitness levels. Physical appraisal standards and procedures employed by various security and protection agencies will be introduced to ensure that students are adequately prepared for both the physical testing required during recruitment and the physical demands of employment.

P- FITN1003 Physical Training 1 and P- FITN1005 Physical Training 2

#### GOVT1002 Government in Canadian Society 42.0 Hours

This course provides an introduction to government in Canada. It includes related historical background, an overview of the structure and administration of various levels of government and the organizational principles underlying their operation, with an emphasis on justice and law enforcement. Students will examine the electoral and legislative processes and interactions between various stakeholders and each government level, within the larger context of the Constitution Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

#### LAWS1005 Introduction to Security and Protection 42.0 Hours

Students will be introduced to the legislative framework of the security industry including the Private Security and Investigative Services Act which governs security personnel in the province of Ontario. Students will also examine basic security procedures necessary to safely and effectively protect people, property and information. The importance of effective communication in the security industry will be discussed and students will have the opportunity to enhance their customer service and report writing skills.

#### LAWS1010 Contemporary Legal Studies 42.0 Hours

This course will examine the specific elements of selected Criminal Code offences, including offences against the person, property and public, in order to classify offences and to identify possible defences in criminal cases. Students will recognize the responsibilities and limitations of citizens and law enforcement professionals, as required by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. The course will also enable students to analyze the rights and obligations of citizens involving areas of civil law.

#### LAWS2021 Emergency Management 42.0 Hours

Emergency preparedness at the federal, provincial and local levels will be examined. Students will be provided with advanced training in the emergency response procedures adopted by various agencies in response to major incidents including natural disasters, fire, pandemics, hostage situations, bomb threats and Amber Alerts. Students will explore the conditions which justify deployment of the Incident Management System (IMS) and the roles and responsibilities of emergency service providers involved in the IMS.

#### LAWS2022 Security Applications 1 42.0 Hours

In this course, students will apply knowledge of basic security procedures to a variety of security environments including retail establishments, health care facilities and casinos. Students will learn to identify threats and hazards to safety, steps in a risk assessment, and strategies to address unique security challenges. An introduction to the design and operation of security equipment and the importance of security considerations in facility design will be provided.

#### LAWS2026 Investigative Processes 42.0 Hours

This course is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills required to conduct a thorough, professional investigation. The roles and responsibilities of the investigator and the essential steps in the investigative process will be examined. Students will have the opportunity to practice interviewing skills necessary to retrieve critical information from victims, witnesses and potential suspects. Crime scene preservation and techniques used to collect various forms of physical evidence will also be examined.

#### LAWS2027 Municipal Law Enforcement 42.0 Hours

This course provides an introduction to municipal law enforcement and the duties related to the municipal by-law enforcement officer in adherence with the Municipal Act. The student will examine the Municipal Act including Emergency Management Operations.

#### LAWS2038 Security Applications 2 42.0 Hours

This advanced course is designed to further develop behaviour management skills. Best practices for safely managing aggressive, intoxicated or individuals with mental and/or cognitive disorders will be explored. Students will engage in interactive sessions to rehearse crucial skills for resolving challenging and potentially dangerous situations. The responsibilities of security personnel in addressing critical incidents, including physical assaults and suicide attempts, will be reviewed and students will examine the importance of documentation and incident review.

#### PFPR1001 Criminal Justice in Canada 42.0 Hours

This course will provide students with an overview of the Canadian Criminal Justice System with an emphasis on the history, function, and organization of various Canadian justice services. Students will also examine the institutional foundation of the justice system, including public/private police, corrections and the court system. Further, students will critically examine the current state of the Canadian justice system and identify the contemporary issues confronting the system.

#### PFPR1003 Issues in Diversity 42.0 Hours

In this course students will identify and examine issues in diversity including, but not limited to: race, gender, ethnicity, and sexual orientation. Students will also increase their knowledge and awareness of important issues in the Aboriginal cultures. Incorporating social/legal explanations of diversity, students will develop an understanding of the impacted groups and possible strategies for community empowerment. Students will explore community resources and social services that support diverse populations.

#### PSIN2000 Field Placement Preparation: PSIN 42.0 Hours

In this course students will explore suitable placement options, complete required documents, review workplace expectations, discuss their responsibilities as representatives of Georgian College and members of a security team, and practice skills



demanding by employers. Challenging situations which may arise in the workplace will be explored and students will develop effective strategies for resolving such dilemmas.

**PSIN2001 Private Investigations 42.0 Hours**

This course has been designed in accordance with the Ministry of Community, Safety and Correctional Services provincially approved training curriculum for private investigators. The responsibilities and occupational tasks of the private investigator will be examined and students will develop the knowledge and skills necessary to work safely and effectively, while complying with regulations governing the industry. Topics will include investigative techniques, the use of industry related equipment, ethical decision-making and self-management skills.

**PSIN2002 Field Placement Seminar PSIN 56.0 Hours**

This course is designed to support and reinforce learning, to provide the opportunity for reflection, and to integrate emerging skills, while experiencing field placement and/or community service learning opportunities. In a collaborative environment with guidance from faculty, college-based monitors, placement supervisors and classmates, students will examine placement and community service experiences and explore individual successes and challenges. Emphasis will be placed on problem solving and developing appropriate strategies to be successful in the profession.

P- PSIN2000 Field Placement Preparation: PSIN and C- PSIN2003 Field Placement PSIN

**PSIN2003 Field Placement PSIN 224.0 Hours**

Through field placement, students are provided with supervised exposure to the operations of a professional organization in the security industry. This experience is designed to complement academic studies by applying the knowledge and skills previously learned in the classroom to the practice setting. With the guidance and support of experienced security personnel and college-based placement monitors, students will be provided with practical experience in patrol techniques, customer relations, risk assessment and note taking.

P- PSIN2000 Field Placement Preparation: PSIN and C- PSIN2002 Field Placement Seminar PSIN

**PSYL1004 Mental Health Issues 42.0 Hours**

This interdisciplinary course explores human interaction with an emphasis on sensitivity to mental health issues and complex abnormal behaviour. Students will be introduced to a biological, psychological and social framework as it relates to abnormal pathology and best practice interventions. Students will also explore the legal and ethical issues that are involved in their work with persons that exhibit complex mental health issues.

**Course Description Legend**

P = Prerequisite; C = Concurrent prerequisite; CO= Corequisite

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