

Classes are FREE

Available to Hernando County residents who are 18 years of age or older (children 16 and 17 may attend with a parent)

Since the inception of the program in 1994, thousands of citizens have attended

Attendees meet Sheriff Nienhuis, his Command Staff, and the law enforcement professionals who live and work in Hernando County

For more information about the Citizens Academy, please call 352-797-3689

Citizens Academy Facts

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The Hernando County Sheriff's Office Citizens Academy is an interactive, behind-the-scenes look at local law enforcement.

The course is offered in three-hour sessions over a nine-week period. Classes are offered on Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (afternoon session) and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. (evening session). Please indicate which session you prefer when registering.

The class location will be provided at time of registration.

[Register Here](#)



Now offering
Citizens Academy on the Road

Do you have a venue that can host 20-40 people?

We will be happy to bring the Citizens Academy to you.

Please contact HCSO Public Relations at 352-797-3689.



Course Outline

- Welcome by Sheriff and Command Staff
- District Overview (Patrol)
- Community Policing
- State Attorney Presentation
- Crisis Response Team
- Cold Case and Major Case
- Human Resources and Finance
- Mounted Unit / Civilian Mounted Unit
- Communications
- Internal Affairs
- Property and Evidence
- School Resource Deputies
- Animal Enforcement
- Real Time Crime Center (Crime Analysis)
- Traffic
- SWAT
- Judicial
- Marine / Aviation / Drone
- K-9
- Detention Center
- Sheriff's Ranches Thrift Store
- Public Relations
- GRADUATION

Graduation

A wealth of surprises await our graduates.

Graduates are given an opportunity to observe in the Communications Center or participate in a ride-along (up to four hours) with a patrol deputy.

These opportunities provide the perfect culmination of the Citizens Academy experience, allowing participants to view law enforcement from a new and informed perspective.