

New York City Corrections, Firefighter, and Police Academy General Education Exemption Policy

Effective fall 2007, students who have graduated from the New York City Corrections Academy, Fire Department of New York Academy, and New York City Police Academy and have earned a minimum of 28 liberal arts college credits may apply for exemption for the remaining general education courses in the baccalaureate degree at John Jay College. The minimum 28 liberal arts credits must be earned through an accredited college, university, the NYPD Leadership Program at John Jay College, and/or by substitution. Only entry level courses designated at the 100 and 200 level may be used to satisfy the general education exemption. Courses above the 200 level cannot be used for exemption. The 28 liberal arts credits cannot be training program credits or external or life experience credits. Students do not have to be currently employed by the New York City Department of Corrections, Fire Department of New York, or New York City Police Department to be eligible. This exemption is not applicable to students pursuing an Associate's Degree.

The 28 applicable liberal arts credits include:

English*

Mathematics*

Literature

Foreign Language

Ethnic Studies

History

Speech

Fine Arts

Philosophy

Physical Education

Science

Social Science (Includes Government, Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology, Economics, African American Studies, Puerto Rican Studies)

**Remedial and developmental courses are not applicable.

If any of the general education requirement courses are needed as pre-requisites for higher level courses, students are responsible for fulfilling the requirement by taking the general education requirement course or by seeking a pre-requisite waiver from the appropriate academic department.

Any of the courses used to satisfy the 28 liberal arts credits cannot be used to satisfy courses in the major. If courses taken in the NYPD Leadership Program are used to satisfy the 28 liberal arts credits, these same courses cannot be used as courses in the major. Students will have the option to use these courses taken in the NYPD Leadership Program as applicable towards their major or general education.

The general education exemption does not override the graduation requirement of at least 120 credits in the appropriate areas of general education, major, and electives; fulfillment of all courses in the degree requirements in which at least 50% of the major courses must be John Jay course; the required minimum grade point average of 2.000; any proficiency examinations, and no accounts outstanding with the College.

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Students can apply for exemption during the admission process or when eligible after admission. Entering transfer students must request a copy of the police academy transcript be sent to the Undergraduate Admissions Office for review. Continuing or readmitted students must request a copy of the academy transcript to be sent to the Registrar's Office for review. Students must provide college transcripts that reflect 28 liberal arts credits. Students who complete all liberal arts credits at John Jay College or through the NYPD Leadership Program do not need to request a transcript from John Jay College. Generally, students will receive an email notification approximately 5 business days after the application is received.

Form: NYC Officer General Education Exemption Application