



# Bluffton Police Department

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## **Bluffton Police Accepting Citizen Police Academy Applications**

**Who:**

Citizen's Police Academy Applicants

**What:**

10-week Citizen's Police Academy Course

**Where:**

Bluffton Police Department, 101 Progressive Street

**When:**

October 3, 2016 through December 5, 2016, Monday nights, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Bluffton Police Department is now accepting applications for the 2016 Citizen's Police Academy (CPA).

This is a unique opportunity for the public to learn what it's like to be a police officer. The 10-week course will focus on the history of police, traffic enforcement, radar operation, evidence collection, fingerprint recovery, defensive tactics, firearms and more.

"The goal of this educational opportunity is to increase the citizen's knowledge of our department and positively influence their perceptions of persons in law enforcement through transparency. The class is also beneficial for us because we receive feedback from the community into what they believe we do well and what we need to improve upon," said Bluffton Police Chief Joey Reynolds.

To apply you must be 18 years or older, have a valid driver's license, and agree to a background check. Apply by visiting the Police Station located at 101 Progressive Street, call Joy Nelson at 843-706-4542, or download an application at <http://www.townofbluffton.sc.gov/police-department/home>.

Please submit applications quickly, as there are limited seats in the class.

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