

PCSS Post Secondary Spotlight

So, you want to be an...

RCMP Officer



Before you submit your online application, you must meet the qualifications and requirements:

- Be a Canadian citizen
- Be at least 18 years of age to apply
- Be proficient in English and/or French
- Possess a valid, unrestricted Canadian driver's licence
- Possess a Canadian secondary school (high school) diploma or equivalent
- Meet the health and psychological standards
- Meet the vision standards
- Meet the hearing standards
- Meet the necessary level of physical abilities
- Be prepared and able to carry a firearm and to use it or any other necessary physical force
- **Be willing to spend 26 weeks at the RCMP's training academy (Depot) in Regina, Saskatchewan**
- Be willing to relocate anywhere within Canada
- Be willing to work shift work including weekends and holidays
- Be aware of requirements for tattoos, jewelry and other personal effects

Demonstrate good character

As a police officer, you will have a significant role in building and maintaining the public trust. You must uphold the highest ethical standards, both on- and off-duty.

Program Training Standard

The Cadet Training Program is an **extensive 26-week basic training course**, offered in both official languages. The cadet is part of a 32-member troop which is diverse in composition. Upon successfully completing the Cadet Training Program, cadets may be offered employment as members of the RCMP and given peace officer status. Once employed, they must then complete a six-month Field Coaching Program at selected training detachments where they are involved in everyday police duties under the supervision of a Field Coach.

The Cadet Training Program consists of 820 hours broken down as follows:

- Applied Police Sciences: 432 hours
- Firearms: 104 hours
- Police Defensive Tactics / Immediate Action Rapid Deployment: 94 hours
- Police Driving: 67 hours
- Operational Conditioning: 45 hours
- Drill and Deportment: 37 hours
- Other: 41 hours

TIPS as a student wanting to apply:

Keep a clean record!

Do volunteer work!

Get your first aid and any other courses you can take!