



Dakota County Sheriff's Office Internship Applicant Guidelines

General Law Enforcement Internship

The Dakota County Sheriff's Office mission is to provide professional, progressive, and proactive service while maintaining the public trust.

We are committed to building relationships and educating citizens about our organization as well as our profession. We recognize that the work we do here is ever-changing as well as our employees. Dakota County Sheriff's Office is taking initiative to nurture the future generation of Licensed and Correctional Deputies by offering an internship program.

Dakota County Sheriff's Office is committed to enhancing the training and education of students pursuing careers in law enforcement, corrections and or criminal justice so that students gain practical experience. Interns will be provided the opportunity to shadow deputies within various divisions in effort to provide them with a holistic view of the many opportunities available at the Dakota County Sheriff's Office.

Eligibility:

College interns must be at least 18 years of age and actively pursuing a degree in Law Enforcement, Corrections, Criminal Justice, or a closely related field. The internship must be required for college credit and or graduation.

Interns must have a flexible schedule as intern hours can be scheduled during the day and evening hours on weekdays and weekends.

The Sheriff's Office is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, creed, national origin or ancestry, age, marital status, veterans' status, or physical or mental handicap.

Locations:

The Dakota County Sheriff's Office is located in Hastings. However, we also operate out of Apple Valley, Rosemount and West St. Paul. Interns may spend time at various locations depending on the needs of the Dakota County Sheriff's Office.

Requirements for applicants:

- Resume and cover letter describing your career goals and objectives, academic and personal accomplishments, work experiences and other skills and qualifications relevant to this internship.
- Letter from your advisor or instructor stating you are needed to complete an internship to receive credit and or graduate.
- A description/syllabus describing the expectations and requirements of the internship.
- College transcript (official)

Please note: Any false, incomplete or misleading information given by applicant may result in a decision not to be accepted to the Dakota County Sheriff's Office Internship program.

Licensed Deputy Internship & Detention Services Internship
Application Deadlines: Summer internship...March 1st Winter internship.....October 15 th
Contact Information: Blake.Pederson@co.dakota.mn.us – or- Contact Information: Farrel.Byrd@co.dakota.mn.us

Interning with Dakota County Sheriff's Office is a privilege, and we take the application process very seriously. A background check will be completed for all applicants and references will be checked. There are limited spots available, and selection is based upon the application, references and background checks.

All application materials must be submitted to:

Dakota County Sheriff's Office
Attn: Sergeant Blake Pederson
1580 Hwy 55
Hastings, MN 55033