

APPLY NOW FOR THE OC PARKS RANGER ACADEMY

OC Parks, in partnership with Santa Ana College, is now accepting applications for its 2012 Ranger Academy. This challenging, 17-week (approximately 245 hours) academy, conducted in a moderate stress environment, provides educational and vocational training for recruits who desire to pursue a career as a park ranger. Training includes customer service, presentation skills, natural resource management, emergency response, first aid, CPR, AED, off-highway vehicle operations, Laws of Arrest (POST certified PC 832, no firearms), and more.



To apply or for more information, visit: www.ocparks.com



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The OC Parks Ranger Academy is designed to meet the requirements for being a park ranger in many cities and counties within the State of California. The academy will provide training on a variety of topics, all designed to prepare you for a career as a park ranger.

Minimum Requirements

- At least 18 years of age
- Citizen of the United States or a permanent resident alien who is eligible for and has applied for citizenship
- High school graduate, attained a satisfactory score on a G.E.D. test, or passed a California high school proficiency exam
- Possess a valid Class C California driver license or higher

Courses Include

- First Aid, CPR, and AED
- Radio Communications
- Off-Highway and Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Southern California Wilderness Training
- Park Ranger Fire Training
- Tactical Communications
- Customer Service
- Chemical Agents Training
- Patrol Tactics and Duties
- National Association for Interpretation Certification
- Laws of Arrest (POST Certified PC 832, no firearms)
- Animal Behavior and Handling
- Traffic Enforcement



Fees

Course Fees: \$220

Academy Materials Fees: \$700

Fees are approximate and subject to change

College Units

College Units: 5.2 (Credit/No Credit)

Dates

Applications accepted until November 15, 2011

Ranger Academy Dates: January 7 - May 5, 2012

Class Days and Times: Tuesdays 6 pm - 10 pm; Thursdays 6 pm - 10 pm; Saturdays 8 am - 5 pm

Graduation: May 15, 2012

Candidate Orientation and Screening Meeting

November 15, 2011, 6 pm - 10 pm

OC Parks Ranger Academy

Sheriff's Regional Training Academy Facility

15991 Armstrong Ave.

Tustin, CA 92782

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OC Parks manages nearly 60,000 acres of parks, historical and coastal facilities and open space for the County of Orange. OC Parks includes 32,000 acres in more than 20 urban and wilderness parks, 7 miles of beaches and other coastal facilities and 27,000 acres of open space lands.

There is no guarantee that you will be hired by OC Parks after graduating from the academy. The academy is separate from the park ranger recruitment process. To check the availability of park ranger job openings or to apply for a park ranger job (if available), go to www.ocgov.com.