



What is the DEA Citizens' Academy?

The DEA's Citizens Academy is a 5-8 week dynamic training program that enables civilians from local communities to gain an understanding of DEA's critical mission and work.

What are the goals and objectives?

- To enhance the ability of a DEA Field Division to cultivate, leverage, and strengthen community relationships.
- To rally community awareness for enforcement accomplishments and demand reduction activities.

What are the program's objectives?

Some of the intended objectives to be achieved by DEA's Citizens Academy may include to:

- Increase community awareness of the DEA's law enforcement and drug demand efforts.
- Develop new relationships with public and private individuals and organizations.
- Establish a qualified pool of newly vetted and trained community liaisons to support DEA's demand reduction efforts.

Who are the instructors?

Classes are taught by DEA executives, Special Agents, Task Force Officers, Intelligence Analysts, other DEA professionals.



To see if there is a Citizen's Academy near you,
contact your local DEA Field Division at:

www.DEA.gov



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What are the participant requirements?

Potential candidates for the DEA Citizens' Academy must be business, civil, religious, or community leaders, who meet the following criteria:

- Must be at least 21 years of age.
- Must have no prior felony convictions.
- Must live or work within the jurisdiction of the local DEA Field Division.
- Must pass a background check.
- Must be willing to commit to the entire training schedule.

Who are the participants?

Candidates that attend the DEA Citizens Academy represent - community leaders; civic engagement organizations; retirees; businesses; college and universities; faith-based organizations; youth development professionals; state and local government representatives, and other organizations.

How can I participate?

Contact your local DEA Field Division at www.DEA.gov. The program is operated locally and schedules will vary among Field Divisions. The Field Division's representative will inform you of the class schedule, the application process, and provide you with an application.

Instruction:

Classes are taught by DEA executives, Senior Special Agents, and program managers.

Topics may include:

DEA Foreign & Domestic Operations

Local Drug Trends

Task Forces

Clandestine Laboratory Briefing

Prescription Drug Abuse

Raid Training & Execution

Global Trends

Regional Intelligence Briefing

Special Operations

Firearms & Tactics Training

Title 21 U.S. Code Controlled Substances Act

Demand Reduction