

Founded in 1927, Austin Peay State University is a comprehensive, state-assisted university with an enrollment of approximately 9,000 students. APSU was named in honor of the late Tennessee Governor Austin Peay, who served from 1923–1927.

With a main campus in Clarksville, Tenn. and a satellite campus on post at Fort Campbell, Ky., APSU is one of 47 universities, community colleges and technology centers in the Tennessee Board of Regents system, the sixth largest system of higher education in the nation. The University offers a full range of academic programs at the associate, baccalaureate and master's degree levels in the arts, sciences, business and selected professional programs. APSU offers 13 online degree programs and hundreds of Web-based classes. Among APSU's many points of distinction are its outstanding programs in the sciences, two centers of excellence in the creative arts and field biology and four chairs of excellence in the creative arts, business, free enterprise and nursing.

An integral part of Clarksville, a rapidly growing city of more than 100,000 located 45 minutes northwest of Nashville, the University led the state in enrollment growth in recent years. Since 2000, Austin Peay has renovated and erected numerous top-of-the-line facilities on its 160-acre main. Of the universities offering classes on post at Fort Campbell, only APSU has been given permission to construct its own building. The University enrolls more students at the Fort Campbell Center than the other five institutions combined.

**Police Officer 1
Public Safety
Regular Full-Time Position
Position Number 640400**

The selected applicant will initially be hired as a Security Guard 2 if all Police Officer Standard and Training pre-employment requirements are not met at the time of employment.

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Academy graduation and subsequent certification is a condition for continued employment. The probationary period for new officers is 6 months. Guards/Officers sign a contract addendum agreeing to repay all associated, initial training costs if they resign within two years of the academy graduation date.

General Description

The Police Officer works under general supervision of a shift or operations supervisor and the Director of Public Safety/Chief of Campus Police. The Police Officer is responsible for ensuring a safe and secure campus environment; and the enforcement of University policies, state and local laws.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

- Crime prevention, campus patrol, radio communications, parking and traffic enforcement, criminal investigations and follow-up, and report writing.
- Provide protection for University persons, property, and guests.
- Maintain surveillance of all areas within department jurisdiction.
- Identify and report hazards to safety and security of the campus.
- Interact with other law enforcement agencies when appropriate.
- Perform other job-related duties as assigned.

Essential Functions

- Ability to recognize safety and security hazards on campus and take appropriate corrective action.
- Ability to operate a vehicle.
- Ability to work any shift.
- Ability to pursue suspects/suspicious individuals on foot, through University buildings, grounds and make arrests as needed.
- Ability to run, jump, and physically restrain an individual as needed to make arrest.
- Ability to perform security and police duties on bicycle patrol.
- Ability to react quickly and calmly in emergency situations.
- Ability to provide protection and apply law enforcement procedures in a safe and proper manner.
- Ability to ascertain facts through personal contact, observation, and examination of records.
- Ability to pass annual weapon qualification to meet P.O.S.T. certification.
- Ability to see, hear, and communicate effectively, especially with students and visitors to the campus.
- Ability to interact in an effective and appropriate manner with diverse populations, the University community and the public.

Required Minimum Qualifications

- Required to be 21 years of age or older.
- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- High school graduate or equivalent.
- Must have no criminal convictions.
- Must pass a psychological examination.
- Must pass a thorough background investigation conducted by the University.
- Must pass a physical examination by a licensed physician at the candidate's own expense.
- Valid driver's license.
- Must have a telephone for emergency recall by department.

Additional Preferred Qualifications

- Applicants who meet current certification requirements for Police Officer per TCA 38-8-107 (including graduation from a recognized Tennessee Police Academy), or have attended another academy that is eligible for certification by Tennessee.
- College attendance, campus security or law enforcement experience preferred.

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