SECURITY GUARD LEVEL ONE

The Security Guard Level One Certificate is designed to prepare students for entry-level employment as a security guard in office buildings, department stores, small businesses, colleges and universities. Graduates will be able to demonstrate mastery of state requirements for the minimum level of security entry, know and understand their role in security operations, administer basic first aid and CPR, and function effectively on teams.

Graduation Requirements

WorkKeys® scores of level 3 in Reading for Information, Locating Information, and Applied Mathematics; cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher; the last 15 credits taken at NMSU.


Gainful Employment Disclosure: Important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students who attend this program can be found on the following Gainful Employment Disclosure (https://carlsbad.nmsu.edu/about-us/gainful-employment)

OEPS 150. Correctional Officer Training I
4 Credits (2+4P)
Introduction to corrections, departmental policies and procedures, report writing, officer safety, and physical conditioning. Restricted to majors. 
Prerequisite: consent of instructor.

OEPS 180. Correctional Officer Training II
4 Credits (2+4P)
Criminal justice system, communications, ethics, correctional law and responsibilities, search procedures, hostage situations, institutional gangs. Restricted to majors OEPS 195.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor.

OEPS 250. Correctional Officer Training III
4 Credits (2+4P)
Use of force, firearms, baton, chemical agents, standard first aid, and CPR. Restricted to majors.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor.

OEPS 280. Correctional Officer Training IV
4 Credits (2+4P)
Stress management, supervision of special needs offender, defensive driving, preparation for certifying exams. Restricted to majors.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor.