



# Northwest Law Enforcement Academy

## ON TARGET

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### Considering a Career in Law Enforcement?

Compare Law Enforcement Programs  
Before You Sign on the Dotted Line

- How long has the program been in existence?
  - Northwest 12 years (39 classes).
- How many instructors does the program have?
  - Northwest has 12.
- Are the Instructors former law enforcement employees?
  - Most at Northwest are.
- How many courses does the program have?
  - Northwest has 24. (See our website, [www.NorthWestLaw.ca](http://www.NorthWestLaw.ca))
- How much does the program cost?
  - Northwest \$8,021.90 all inclusive.
- Does the program require you to wear a uniform?
  - Northwest students wear a uniform.
- How much will it cost you to park?
  - Northwest has free parking.
- Are there payment options?
  - Northwest offers payment options.
- Are graduates working in Law Enforcement careers? How many?
  - We have pictures of the many successful students at Northwest.
- Does the program offer career preparation and guidance?
  - Northwest does.
- How big are the classes?
  - At Northwest our classes are around 25 students maximum.

### "Learn from the Best"

#### Featured Instructor



#### Denis Litster

Mr. Litster started his career path as an Air Traffic Controller, but decided to move into a career in law

enforcement. He served as a Correctional Officer at Headingley Correctional Centre for 24 years. He also served as the Department of Justice – EMP (Emergency Measures Planning) Coordinator for Provincial Corrections as well as being a Training Officer for the Provincial Correctional Centre.

But in order to get some of his experience and knowledge, he had to sit on the student side of the classroom at times. He has studied at the Canadian Police College; the RCMP Academy; the University of Manitoba (Political Studies Department) and has taken the Red River College Criminology Certification Program.

Mr. Litster continued training those interested in a career in law enforcement as an Instructor at Red River College teaching the Introduction to Criminal Justice course.

For the past 12 years he has continued to share his experiences and instructed at Northwest Law Enforcement Academy. Here at the Academy he teaches Criminal Law; Criminology; Non-Violent Crisis Management; Officer Safety; Situational Analysis; and Arrest and Control.

In Mr. Litster's classes our students progress from learning the law (the theory) to practical exercises done through scenario training (the application).

Denis Litster is just one of our Academy's dedicated instructors and we wish to thank him for his commitment to our students allowing them to gain these

valuable skills and to understand their proper application.

### Recent Developments!

Since our last issue of **ON TARGET** we've learned that:

1 of our Alumni is in training as a **Winnipeg Police Service Constable**, he had previously served as a Winnipeg Police Service Auxiliary Cadet.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with **MB Correctional Services** – The Pas.

1 of our Alumni is serving as a **City of Regina Bylaw Standards Officer**.

1 of our Alumni is serving as a **Municipal Enforcement Officer in Iqaluit, NU**.

4 of our Alumni have accepted positions with the **Health Sciences Centre Security Services**.

6 of our Alumni have accepted positions with **Paladin Security**.

6 of our Alumni have accepted positions with **G4S Security**, serving as Armed Guards or Parking Compliance Officers.

4 of our Alumni have accepted positions with **Assiniboine Park Security**.

2 of our Alumni have accepted positions with **Avion Security Services**.

2 of our Alumni have accepted positions with **SRG Security**.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with **Forensic Investigations Canada**.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with **Home Depot Asset Protection Services**.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with **Impact Security**.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with **MB Lotteries Security**.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with **Jasper Park Lodge Security** in Alberta.

1 of our Alumni has accepted a position with the **Winnipeg Goldeyes Security**.

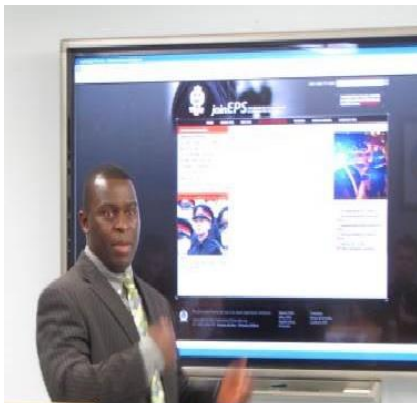
2 of our Alumni are continuing their Education. Both are studying Criminal Justice. One in Georgia, USA and the other in Lethbridge, Alberta.

## A Thank You to a Few of Our Alumni

The Academy would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to the following Alumni who have recently visited the Academy as **Guest Speakers**.

- Danielle Lemoine, MB Correctional Services, Headingley
- Kyle Hawley, Canadian Armed Forces (Reserves)
- Robert Butchike, Edmonton Police Service

We thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to drop by and say hi and for spending a few minutes with our students letting them know about how you reached your career goal. Thank you for allowing the students to benefit from your advice about recruit training and being on-the-job.



Constable Robert Butchike  
Edmonton Police Service  
August 1, 2013

Thank You Danielle, Kyle and Robert

## Student Comment

We had the honour to have Robert Butchike from the Edmonton Police Service come to our class. He didn't come on behalf of the Edmonton Police Service, but instead he came on his own time to talk to us. He was a former student of the Academy and spoke very highly of the Academy.

He is an inspiration to never give up on your dreams, listen to what the

instructors teach you and they will help you succeed.

He will go beyond his duty to help. He likes to help children and teenagers go the right path in life.

He is an inspiration, has a good heart and loves being a police officer. We all loved him when he spoke to us.

Janine Tull (NWLEA Student)

## Just the Facts

- **42%** of all our graduates are currently employed as Police Officers, Auxiliary Police Cadets, Provincial and Federal Corrections Officers, Sheriff's Services, Canada Border Service Agents, Canadian Armed Forces (Career and Reserves) and By-law Enforcement and Compliance Officers.

- **26%** of our graduates are currently employed in the related law enforcement fields of Security and Asset Protection/Loss Prevention. These are generally younger graduates who are gaining valuable life skills.

► *This means that 68% of our graduates are working in law enforcement or in a field related to law enforcement.* ◀

- **3%** of our graduates are currently employed as a Law Teacher in a Winnipeg High School; have moved to a career in Emergency Services (Fire/Medic) or are continuing their education.
- **16%** of our graduates are working in employment that is unrelated to law enforcement.
- **13%** of graduates, sadly, we have lost track of, so we are unaware of their current status. It is our hope that some of them have gone on to a career in law enforcement.

We know that our graduates are currently working in 6 different provinces and all 3 of the territories. Our graduates haven't hit "coast to coast" quite yet, but they are spreading out across Canada.

## Changes at the Academy

Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to the graduates of:

- **Classes 12 – 37 and 12 – 38** of our Law, Protection and Safety Diploma Program.

- **Classes 1 and 2** of our Emergency Services Communicator Certificate Program.

We wish them all Good Luck in their pursuit of that "**Law Enforcement**" career that they have been working hard towards in Policing, Corrections, Border Services, the Sheriff's Department and Emergency Services Dispatching.

Don't forget when you reach your goal; we'd love to hang your photo on our "**Wall of Fame.**"

- **Class 13 – 39**, which started in April, is now over half way through their program, and will soon be learning how to take the theory they have studied and put it into practical application.
- We are looking forward to welcoming **Class 13 – 40** in September and **Class 13 – 41** in October.

## Referral Program



The Academy has a Referral Program for students and alumni. If someone that you have referred to the Academy takes the program, we will pay you \$500.00. (Some conditions apply.)

If you know someone who is interested in a law enforcement career, can you think of an easier way to earn \$500.00? Talk to your friend, co-worker, or family member and refer them to the Academy.

## Upcoming Classes

We are taking applications for the following upcoming classes:

**Law, Protection and Safety  
Diploma Program**  
(648 Hours)

**Sept. 9, 2013 – April 17, 2014:**  
**Mornings**

**Oct. 15, 2013 – May 29, 2014:**  
**Afternoons**

**April 7, 2014 – Nov. 14, 2014:**  
**Mornings**

**Emergency Services Communicator  
Certificate Program**  
(39 Hours)

**Next Class Starts:**  
**September 17, 2013**  
**Tuesday & Thursday Evenings  
& Saturdays**