



# IACLEA Accreditation

The Designation of Excellence in Campus Public Safety



The International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA) represents more than 4,200 campus public safety leaders at more than 1,000 institutions of higher education. Since 2007, IACLEA has offered accreditation to colleges and university law enforcement, security, and public safety departments. As the leading authority for campus public safety, IACLEA Accreditation constitutes recognition that a department conforms to the highest professional standards for campus law enforcement and protective services.



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Representatives of the University of Texas at San Antonio accept their Accreditation certificate at the IACLEA Annual Conference & Exposition.

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## About IACLEA Accreditation

IACLEA Accreditation signifies an agency's ongoing commitment to excellent, state-of-the-art performance in every aspect of its operations. Accredited agencies demonstrate to their personnel, the campus community, and outside experts their professionalism and mission focus.

The IACLEA Accreditation Program—developed by and for campus public safety professionals—offers an accreditation process for non-sworn and sworn campus public safety agencies at colleges and universities across the United States.

The IACLEA Accreditation standards allow agencies to demonstrate compliance with state-of-the-art standards, while retaining policies and programs that are unique to the needs of their campus communities.

The IACLEA Accreditation Commission works with agencies—public or private, large or small, sworn or non-sworn—on a case-by-case basis to determine which standards apply, allowing campus public safety agencies to measure themselves against professional best practices.



Officers at Lehigh University (Pennsylvania), an IACLEA Accredited agency.

## Benefits of Accreditation

### Accountability

Accreditation provides greater **accountability and competency** in daily operations. Officers and staff know what the policies and procedures are, how to perform them, and that they are accountable to them.

*"Officers now have sound policies to rely on. They are fully capable of making good decisions, but having clear and concise policies eliminates ambiguity at critical times."*

— Chief Randy Repola, University of Colorado-Anschutz Medical Campus

### Best Practices

For agencies that aspire to **excellence**, the IACLEA Accreditation standards demand that agencies follow **best practices** in operations, training, administration, and human resources.

*"Accreditation has helped our agency identify and plan for facility and equipment enhancements. The enhancements improve our professionalism and effectiveness."*

— Chief Sam Garrison, Texas Woman's University

### Professional and Public Recognition

IACLEA Accredited agencies are an **exclusive** group, having demonstrated compliance with **stringent professional standards** as **validated by campus public safety peers**.

*"Through meticulous effort, the College of Lake County's Police Department was able to meet the nation's highest standards, and serve as a model for excellency and professionalism."*

— US Representative Bradley Schneider (D-IL-10) wrote to Chief Tom Guenther, College of Lake County, Illinois

### Continuous Improvement

It is a **roadmap for agency leaders** to chart a course for the agency and continually assess what works and what doesn't.

*"Having worked with multiple agencies in the Accreditation program from initial assessments through multiple reassessments, the progression from 'good' to 'great' never ceases to inspire and affirm the power of this management tool."*

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### Risk Management

The standards establish that agencies follow accepted policies and practices that **minimize risk and liability** and strengthen an institution's **defense against complaints and lawsuits**.

*"The Accreditation program ensures that we, as a non-sworn agency, have the same policies and practices as sworn agencies that help us manage and reduce risk to our agency and the institution."*

— Director of Campus Safety & Security James C. Nawoichyk, St. Thomas Aquinas College, New York



Officers with the Medical College of Wisconsin, Public Safety, an IACLEA Accredited agency.

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