



The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Chicago Field Division, will be conducting a Two Week Basic Narcotics and Diversion of Pharmaceutical Controlled Drugs Course, during the period July 9-20, 2012 at the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) in St. Paul, Minnesota.

This Two Week 80 hour course is comprehensive and covers many aspects of drug law enforcement and investigation. The course focuses on current innovations and methods used in drug investigations. This is not a textbook type course, although each student is provided ample resource materials, which augment many of the instructor presentations. The Two Week School emphasizes knowledge, professionalism, officer safety and practical application(s). The course is taught by experienced Drug Enforcement Administration Agents, Federal and/or State Prosecutors, and other qualified civilian and law enforcement professionals.

Nomination Procedure: Officers must be nominated by their respective department to attend this course. Nominees should be familiar with the conduct of investigations and/or have little narcotics background. Nominations will be submitted to DEA on official department letterhead signed by supervisory authority at the Deputy Chief or equivalent level. Nominations should include Full Name of Officer, Rank (if appropriate), Parent Agency/Department, Complete Department Mailing Address, E-Mail Address and Telephone Number(s). Official nominations should be scanned and e-mailed or mailed to:

Drug Enforcement Administration
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Those officers ultimately selected to attend the Two Week Course will receive confirmation via e-mail on or about June 19, 2012. Please include the nominee's email address in the nomination so notification can be made.

Topics covered during the course include, but are not limited to:

Drug Identification & Pharmacology	Money Laundering
Drug Trafficking Trends & Patterns	Concealment
Clandestine Laboratory & Investigation	Drug Field Test Kits & Testing
Informant Management	Undercover Operations
Surveillance	Asset Forfeiture
Drug Laws & Court Testimony	Interview & Interrogation
Conspiracy	Case Initiation
Raid Planning & Execution	Street Survival
Search and Seizure	Evidence Handling

There is no tuition or cost for this course. Attendees are responsible for their own transportation, meals and lodging. Class size is limited. For additional information and/or questions, please call SA Timothy Lessner, Training Coordinator at (312) 353-1433.