# 911 Dispatcher Training

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# **Orientation**

## **AGENDA**

- Welcome
- Introduction of Speakers
- 911 Dispatch as a Career
  - Skills required
  - A day in the life of a Dispatcher
  - Scheduling (shift work, average salary, FT vs. PT, etc.)
- Gateway's Integrated Program CritiCall, APCO and SAVE 911
- Job Outlook
- Next Steps in the Process
  - Scheduling and taking the assessment
  - Scoring the Assessment
  - Registering and paying for the program
- Q & A
- Tour of 911 Training Center

### 911 Dispatcher Basic Job Qualifications

- U.S. citizen
- Minimum age 18
- Driver license
- Good driving record
- Good physical condition
- High school diploma
- No felony convictions
- Vision correctable to 20/20
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- React quickly and effectively to stressful situations
- Able to work evenings, weekends, and holidays
- Ability to keyboard/type XX words per minute
- Knowledge and skills in operating computer systems
- Clear and concise speech
- Ability to handle several tasks simultaneously
- Ability to perform essential functions of this position
- Ability to pass performance tests involving keyboarding & listening skills

# 911 Dispatcher Assessment & Training

#### **Assessment Modules**

**Decision Making** 

Data Entry

Data Entry with Audio

Call Summarization 1

Call Summarization 2

**Cross Referencing** 

Cross Referencing with Audio

**Character Comparison** 

Memory Recall

Memory Recall-Numeric with Audio

Prioritization

Map Reading

Spelling

Sentence Clarity

Reading Comprehension

#### **Gateway Student Services**

**Elkhorn/Burlington Student Services** 

262-741-8300

**Kenosha Student Services** 

262-564-2300

**Racine Student Services** 

262-619-6300

#### **Training Topics**

Introduction to Your New Career Interpersonal Communication Telephone Communications Techniques:

#### Call Processing

Telephony – Traditional Technology

Telephony – Emerging Technology

Telephony – TTY

Telematics

Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and

Related Technologies

Radio Communication Techniques

Radio Technology

Call Classification

NIMS Incident Command System

Liability Issues

Preparing for Your New Career

# 911 Dispatcher Training -----Assessment Schedule

CritiCall Assessments are by appointment only.

Please call Kurt Lois at 262-564-2532 to make an appointment.

Assessments are offered at the following gateway Campuses: Burlington, Elkhorn, Racine and Kenosha. You must register and pay for the assessment at Student Services at any of the Gateway Technical College campuses listed below. You may call to register ONLY if you are paying by credit card.

You will receive your test scores immediately; however, the scores must be reviewed by Gateway to determine if you are eligible to register for the training program. You will be notified regarding your eligibility to register for the training within two business days after completing your assessment.

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#### **Fall 2011**

# **Training Dates**

#### **Public Safety Telecommunicator 1**

Pre-requisite: none. Program length: 24 hours

October 24 through November 1, 2011

Class meets Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings, 6-9:30 pm and Saturdays 8 am-2:30 pm.

Course cost: \$324 Includes text

Class meeting dates:

Monday 10/24 Tuesday 10/25 Thursday 10/27 Saturday 10/29 Monday 10/31 Tuesday 11/1

#### **Public Safety Telecommunicator 2**

Pre-requisite: Public Safety Telecommunicator 1 Program length: 24 hours

November 3 through November 12, 2011

Course cost: \$235

Class meets Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings, 6-9:30 pm and Saturdays 8 am–2:30 pm.

Thursday 11/3 Saturday 11/5 Monday 11/7 Tuesday 11/8 Thursday 11/10 Saturday 11/12

Completion of both courses is required for APCO and U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security's NIMS Incident Command System certifications.

Courses are not available for registration until after you take the CritiCall assessment and receive an approval to register.