The following course is offered to academy graduates as they enter the field training program at the Sacramento Police Department. These new officers are brought back to the training environment several times as they progress through the field training.

Course Title: Riot and Crowd Control

Course Description: To provide historical knowledge on civil unrest and events, which have shaped law enforcement’s response and actions. To prepare personnel to deal with large crowds and riotous behavior through the use of convention law enforcement tactics.

Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Understand the history, commonalities, and lessons learned from law enforcement’s response to civil unrest.
- Review the use and advantages of a Mobile Field Force (MFF).
- Understand the difference between planned and spontaneous events.
- Know and comprehend the tactics for Crowd Control Measures.
- Discuss protestor tactics and devices.
- Review and demonstrate tactical formations.
- Review the roles and responsibilities of the MFF.
- Demonstrate an understanding of Federal Law, existing Case law, State Law, and Department Policy on protests, civil unrest, and riots.
- Successfully employ crowd management formations, arrest teams, and tactics in a safe and effective manner.
- Utilize effective communication, including both hand and arm signals.

Representative Methods of Evaluation:
- Class participation
- Group presentation
- Class performance
- Demonstrate proficiency in the roles, tactics, and best practices of crowd management.