



New Mexico State University Police Department Community Education Program Description

- **Personal Self-Defense**
This is a 4-hour hands-on program designed to provide the student with techniques that can be used to help stop an attack. While violent crime is low on campus, many of the attendees of this program say they like it because the skills are useful for a lifetime. Students who are going on internships in other parts of the country (or overseas) or those getting ready to graduate and start their first full-time jobs frequently attend these courses.
- **S.A.F.E.**
This is a 2-hour safety education class for women only. This class, taught by certified instructors, discusses rape awareness and general safety, as well as a short introduction to some physical self-defense moves.
- **Personal Self Defense Sprays**
This is a 2-hour class discussing the differences in self-defense sprays, as well as the proper use of such sprays.
- **Operation I.D.**
This program assists students and faculty/staff members in keeping track of their valuables. An engraver is available for check-out from the police department so that students/faculty can engrave valuables and record the make, model, and serial numbers of the items to be kept on file at the NMSU Police Department for the student or faculty/staff member.
- **Bicycle Registration**
Student, faculty and staff may register their bicycles with the NMSU Police Department. All bicycle information is obtained and stored in a database at the Police Department. In the event that the bicycle is ever stolen, the officers have immediate access to the serial number and other information for reporting and identification purposes. A registration sticker is issued to the registering person to place on the bicycle for identification purposes.
- **CPR/ First Aid**
Certified instructors conduct both CPR and First Aid classes on a regular basis for the community and for the University. There is a small charge for this class for the certification cards that each student receives upon successful completion of the class (see EH&S training schedule at <http://www.nmsu.edu/~safety>).
- **Identity Theft**
This is a 2-hour class which talks about how identity theft has grown over time and talks about the new and innovative ways that identity thieves operate. Tips are given on how to protect yourself from becoming a victim, along with information on what to do if you have already become a victim.
- **Identi-Child**
This is a program where parents can bring their child to the NMSU Police Department to have their child fingerprinted. The child is fingerprinted and the fingerprint cards are given to the parent for safe keeping, in the event that the child were to end up missing. NMSU Police also conducts several of these programs at safety fairs, carnivals, etc. throughout the year.
- **r.a.d. KIDS**
This is a children's self-empowerment program for children ages 5-11. We teach children how to be safe, in a series of five 2-hours classes. We educate them on issues regarding: bullying, drugs

and alcohol, school and bus safety, internet safety, home safety, safety when your out and about, stranger safety, fire safety, dog safety, good, bad and uncomfortable touch and 911. They are also taught a variety of physical skills to help them escape a potential attacker or abduction. This is a nationally recognized program, taught by trained and certified instructors. (Please go to <http://www.radkids.org> for more information regarding this program).

- **Care Seat Education & Installation**

Nearly 100% of all child restraint seats in Dona Ana County are installed incorrectly. Because we recognize the importance of ensuring the safety of children, we have several trained and certified technicians who will check your child restraint to ensure the safety of your child. All seats are checked for recalls before a technician will show you proper installation of the seat. Once the seat is installed, the technician ensures that your child is restrained properly in the seat.

- **Firearms familiarization**

This program is for groups, organizations or departments on the NMSU campus. In this 6-8 hour course, certified and trained officers work with citizens to train them how to properly handle and operate a firearm. This program gives these groups a better understanding of how police officers train and the reasoning behind some of things officers do.

- **Alcohol Awareness**

This is a no-nonsense program that provides facts about alcohol and drug issues students commonly encounter. This course can be tailored for specific audiences, and can be scheduled from 30 minutes to 4 hours, depending on the amount of detail desired. The longer courses include discussions about how police identify drugs and paraphernalia, and tools and equipment used. DWI and penalties for DWI will also be discussed. Demonstrations using simulators can also be provided upon request.

- **Drug Recognition**

This is a class that is conducted by our K-9 officer and his K-9 partner, "Rio". In this class, drugs and the effects of various drugs will be discussed, as well as penalties that one could face if caught with illegal substances. This class may include a brief demonstration with the K-9, if time permits.

- **Violence in the Workplace**

This program can range from 1 hour to 3 hours in length. It presents an overview of the issue, causes, and methods of reducing violence in the workplace. Violence originating both inside and outside the workplace are addressed. The longer programs include discussion about managerial styles and their relationship to violence in the workplace.

- **Rape Awareness and Prevention**

This is a variable length program (depending on request) that focuses on the different types of rapes and what can be done to prevent them. The programs scheduled for more than 30 minutes include discussion about the importance of communication for both men and women involved in intimate personal relationships.

All classes and programs offered through the NMSU Police Department are FREE of charge unless specified above. All classes and programs, other than the r.a.d KIDS program and CPR / First Aid Classes, can be adjusted in length and in content to fit the needs of a group. If there is not a program listed that you would be interested in, the department can put together a presentation to accommodate your group. All classes require a minimum of 20 students to schedule a special class, unless prior approval is granted through the Crime Prevention office at the NMSU Police Department. For more information, call 646-3424. The Fall 2005 schedule is posted at http://www.nmsu.edu/safety/training/description/PoliceCls_2005Schedule.pdf