



# PROMOTION EXAMINATION

Examination No. & Title	Salary Grade	Beginning Salary	Non-Refundable Processing Fee (Waivers Available)
31-432020 University Police Officer 3	20	\$87,370	\$0

**Multiple-Choice Test  
To Be Held:  
JUNE 13, 2026**

**Applications MUST Be Submitted  
Online or Postmarked By:  
APRIL 29, 2026**

You may be assigned to either Saturday or Sunday to take your test. You cannot request or change your scheduled day.

*ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS AVAILABLE at <https://www.cs.ny.gov/jobseeker>*

Due to current testing space limitations, candidates may need to travel to a test site to take this examination. Candidates will be notified of their test site location on their admission notice.

**Promotion examination open to all qualified employees of the State University of New York.**

**For Promotion in State Departments, Facilities, and Agencies**

- 1. Within Promotion Units   2. Within Entire Departments   3. To Other Departments**

**Minimum Qualifications:** On or before June 13, 2026, you must be a qualified employee of the State University of New York and have had three months of permanent competitive, or 55-b/55-c service as a University Police Officer 2 or a University Police Investigator 2. If you have received a permanent appointment to a qualifying title listed and served provisionally\* in that title immediately preceding your permanent appointment, such provisional service may be counted towards meeting the time in title required for this examination.

Only the title or titles listed are qualifying.

*If you were permanently appointed to a qualifying title on or before March 13, 2026, and have served continuously in this title since that date, you are eligible to file for this examination.*

*\*If you were permanently appointed to a qualifying title and had provisional service in the same title immediately preceding the permanent appointment, such provisional service may be counted towards meeting the time in title required to apply for this examination. Your provisional appointment must have been on or before March 13, 2026, to qualify for this examination.*

**Qualifying Experience For Appointment From The Eligible List:** After one year of service described in the Minimum Qualifications, successful candidates will be qualified for appointment from the eligible list.

If you have received a permanent appointment to a qualifying title listed and served provisionally in that title immediately preceding your permanent appointment, such provisional service may be counted towards meeting the time in title required for appointment from the eligible list.

**Order of Certification:** The order of certification of this eligible list will be:

1. Within SUNY campus promotion units
2. To other SUNY campus promotion units

**Additional Requirements for Appointment:**

- **United States Citizenship and New York State Residency:** Although not required for taking the test, you must be a citizen of the United States at the time of appointment. If appointed, you must also possess and maintain New York State residency pursuant to the Public Officers Law.

**The Positions:** These positions exist at the State University of New York and are located at multiple state campuses.

**Duties:** As a **University Police Officer 3**, you would supervise, direct, and coordinate the assignments of University Police Officers 1 and 2, and other University Police Department staff. You would assist with the management of all police and security activities for the Department; schedule staff and arrange for coverage for special events and absences; evaluate the performance of staff and make recommendations regarding performance evaluations, probationary or other terminations; determine the need for training, and assign and select staff for participation; assist with the procurement of uniforms and equipment; liaise with on and off-campus safety and security stakeholders, student life, and law enforcement partners; develop and maintain a close working relationship with other police and security forces; recommend changes in policies, rules, and regulations; support accreditation, policy development, and standards compliance; and work on presentations and University Police project development. In addition, you may conduct and supervise internal investigations; be assigned to tabulate statistical data, prepare reports, and collaborate with other agencies to accomplish law enforcement goals; attend meetings at the request of the Chief of Police or other command staff; or perform any of the duties of any subordinate officer. University Police Officers have Police Officer status as defined in the New York State Criminal Procedure Law.

**Notes:**

1. You must be a New York State resident and citizen of the United States at time of appointment. You must maintain New York State residency pursuant to the Public Officers Law.
2. You must possess a valid license to operate a motor vehicle in New York State at the time of appointment and continuously thereafter.

**Subject of Examination:** To be considered for appointment to this title, you must pass the **multiple-choice test**. The **multiple-choice test** evaluates your knowledge, skills, and/or abilities in the following areas:

1. **New York State Laws** - These questions test for knowledge of the laws in effect on January 1, 2026 that law enforcement personnel may encounter in the course of their day-to-day work-related activities. The questions are a sampling of job-related sections of the Penal Law, Criminal Procedure Law, Vehicle and Traffic Law, Family Court Act and other laws relevant to law enforcement in New York State.
2. **Preparing written material in a police setting** - These questions test for the ability to prepare the types of reports that police personnel write. Some questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately. They consist of restatements of information given in note form. You must choose the best version from each set of four choices. Other questions test for the ability to organize paragraphs. They consist of paragraphs with their sentences out of order. For each of the paragraphs you must choose, from four suggestions, the best order of the sentences.
3. **Understanding and interpreting written material** - These questions test how well you comprehend written material. You will be provided with brief reading selections and will be asked questions about the selections. All the information required to answer the questions will be presented in the selections; you will not be required to have any special knowledge relating to the subject areas of the selections.
4. **Law enforcement methods and practices** - These questions test for knowledge of accepted police methods and practices and/or their application to situations in the police field. The questions are a sampling of the various knowledge that police personnel may be required to possess in the course of their day-to-day work-related activities.
5. **Supervision** - These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices employed in planning, organizing, and controlling the activities of a work unit toward predetermined objectives. The concepts covered, usually in a situational question format, include such topics as assigning and reviewing work; evaluating performance; maintaining work standards; motivating and developing subordinates; implementing procedural change; increasing efficiency; and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale, and discipline.

**Test Guide:** A Guide to the Multiple-Choice Test for the *Police Supervisor Series* is available on the Department website at <http://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm>.

If you pass, your seniority credit(s), if any, will be included in the computation of your final score. Your final score on the eligible list will be determined after adding any Veterans' credits.

**Credit For Seniority:** Seniority is credited at the rate of one credit for each five-year period (or fraction thereof), excluding the first year of service.

**Admission To The Test:** If approved for a multiple-choice test, you will receive an admission notice which will indicate your assigned test date and the way your test will be administered. Your test may be administered with paper and pencil or online at a state test site. **You cannot request to change your scheduled day or request a specific type of test administration.**

**Applicants are required to have a Personal NY.gov account and keep their email address up to date.** The Department of Civil Service and other state agencies will communicate with you through email correspondence. This may include notification of your application status, your test arrangements, examination results, and canvassing you for interest in appointment. It will be important for you to keep your email address, phone number, and mailing address current by logging into <https://www.cs.ny.gov/home/myaccount>.

**How To Apply:** You will need a **personal NY.gov ID** to apply for these examinations. If you do not have a **personal NY.gov account**, please [create an account](#).

- Online our Internet address is <http://www.cs.ny.gov/jobseeker>; or
- Download an examination application [NYS-APP form](#); or
- Email [cs.sm.examinfo@cs.ny.gov](mailto:cs.sm.examinfo@cs.ny.gov) to request NYS-APP forms; or
- Obtain an NYS-APP form from a state agency or facility personnel/business office; or
- Request NYS-APP form by calling the Department of Civil Service in the Albany area at 518-457-2487 or toll free at 1-877-697-5627.

*The NYS Department of Civil Service reserves the right to reject for lateness or to accept applications filed after the advertised filing period. All statements you make on your application are subject to investigation.*

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**NEW YORK STATE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER:** It is the policy of the State of New York to provide for and promote equal opportunity employment, compensation, and other terms and conditions of employment without unlawful discrimination on the basis of age, race, color, religion, disability, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, veteran or military service member status, marital status, domestic violence victim status, genetic predisposition or carrier status, arrest and/or criminal conviction record, or any other category protected by law, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification or other exception.

**RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATION:** Most multiple-choice tests are held on Saturdays. If you cannot take the test on the announced test date, due to a conflict with a religious observance or practice, check the box under "Religious Accommodation." We will make arrangements for you to take the test on a different date (usually the following day).

**REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS IN TESTING:** It is the policy of the Department of Civil Service, in accordance with the New York State Human Rights Law and the Americans with Disabilities Act, to provide qualified persons with disabilities equal employment opportunity and equal opportunity to participate in and receive the benefits, services, programs, and activities of the Department. It is the policy of the Department to provide such persons reasonable accommodations and reasonable modifications as are necessary to provide equal opportunity. Persons with disabilities who require an accommodation to participate in an examination must note this on their application. Further information is available from the Test Accommodation Unit of the Department of Civil Service at [Testaccommodation@cs.ny.gov](mailto:Testaccommodation@cs.ny.gov).

**ADMISSION TO EXAMINATION:** Notice to appear for the test may be conditional as review of applications may not be made until after the test. If you have not received your notice to appear for the multiple-choice test three days before the date of the test, email us at [AdmissionNotices@cs.ny.gov](mailto:AdmissionNotices@cs.ny.gov). Please provide your first and last name, address, and the last four digits of your social security number, and we will provide you with the information you need to attend your multiple-choice test. If you have an issue other than not receiving your admission notice, please contact our office at (518) 474-6470 in the Albany area or toll free at 1-877-697-5627. Please leave a clear concise message and provide your first and last name, last four digits of your social security number and a daytime phone number.

**TAKING STATE AND LOCAL EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DAY:** If you have applied to take a multiple-choice test announced by either one or several local jurisdictions (county, town, city) scheduled to be held on the same test date as this multiple-choice test, you must notify each of the local jurisdictions no later than two weeks before the test date to make arrangements for taking all tests at one test site. All tests will be held at the state examination center. For your convenience, contact information for all local civil service agencies is available on our website at: <http://www.cs.ny.gov/jobseeker/local.cfm>.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR EXAMINATION:** To be considered a qualified employee eligible to compete in this examination, you must be employed in, or on leave from, the specified department or agency on a permanent or contingent permanent basis in the competitive class, or in the non-competitive class or labor class if specifically noted on this announcement (or be on an appropriate preferred list), and have the specified time in the specified title or salary grade. You may not compete in a test for a title if you are permanently employed in that title (unless you are still on probation) or in a higher direct line of promotion.

**CELL PHONES OR ELECTRONIC/COMMUNICATION DEVICES AT THE TEST SITE:** The use of cell phones, beepers, headphones, or any electronic or other communication devices at your personal testing site or in the test room, hallways, restrooms, building, grounds, or other areas, except as expressly authorized by the Department of Civil Service, could result in your disqualification.