REQUIREMENTS…

- At least 18 years-of-age
- Possess a high school diploma or GED, and:
  - Fifteen semester (23 term) college credits in Corrections, Criminal Justice, Psychology, Sociology, Guidance and Counseling, Pastoral Counseling, Family Relations, Social Work, Law Enforcement, OR
  - Thirty semester (45 term) college credits in any career or academic field, OR
  - A bachelor degree in any major, OR
  - Two years of satisfactory employment as a Corrections Officer at a state or federal prison

HOW TO APPLY…

Click here to apply for a Corrections Officer position.

A copy of your official college transcript(s) with the seal or registrar’s signature is mandatory. (Internet or student copies are not acceptable).

CRITERIA FOR PHYSICAL AGILITY TEST…

Prior to hire you must pass the Michigan Department of Corrections physical agility test that consists of:

- Sit-ups — 13 in 30 seconds
- Push-ups — 17 in 60 seconds
- Continuous walking up/down steps ranging up to 11 3/4” for six (6) minutes

You must have acceptable hearing, vision, be in general good physical health, and pass a drug screen.

The Michigan Department of Corrections is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.
CRITERIA FOR BACKGROUND CHECK…

You will not be hired or considered if you:

- Have been convicted of a felony or domestic violence
- Are on misdemeanor probation
- Have outstanding warrants
- Have a controlled substance (drug) related conviction in any jurisdiction, including a drug-related military discharge

If convicted of any other misdemeanor, you will be eligible for consideration one year after satisfactory completion of any sentence imposed, including payment of fines and probation.

Recruit School…

On the first day of paid employment, a new corrections officer recruit attends Officer Recruit Training. Officer Recruit Training is delivered by Department of Corrections training staff. The program consists of 320 hours of academy instruction and two months of On-the-Job training (OJT). Eligible recruits receive room, board and travel expenses while attending the academy.

Once an officer recruit completes the 320 hours of academy instruction they will begin a two month, paid OJT program at the facility where they have been assigned.

OJT is intended to provide officer recruits with the opportunity to gain the knowledge and skills essential to performing the duties of a corrections officer. Officer recruits acquire the necessary knowledge and skill set through hands on experience and mentorship from experienced correctional employees. During OJT, officer recruits assume job duties and tasks under structured conditions until they demonstrate that they have learned appropriate skills. Successful completion of OJT is required in order to continue employment with the Department of Corrections.

Following successful completion of OJT, new corrections officers will begin to work independently as they complete their first year of probation.

If you have questions or need help with the application process call (517)335-6711.