



John D. Coyle Scholarship Nomination – Fall, 2025

The purpose of the John D. Coyle Scholarship at Roger Williams University – School of Justice Studies is to provide registration fee funding for recipients to attend the Justice System Training & Research Institute’s ***Command Training Series: Executive Development Course***. Recipients must be nominated by their Chief of Police and will be selected according to the following criteria:

- a) A police officer from a police department whose Chief is an **active member** of the *New England Association of Chiefs of Police, Inc.*; and
- b) A competitive review by the Roger Williams University Selection Committee of the nomination application submitted by the Chief that indicates the detailed reasons the nominee is deserving of the scholarship.

The ***Command Training Series: Executive Development Course*** is a program for officers typically performing the duties for the rank of Captain, Major, Deputy Chief, or Chief. Course topics including *Organization Assessment and Culture Change; Executive Leadership and Strategic Planning; Public Speaking; Strategic Communication; Working Effectively with the Media; Labor and Management Relations; Risk Management; and Ethical Decision Making*, that will be thoughtfully developed within the classroom, through web-based group discussion forums and through application in individual student project advancement. Critical thinking skills for “real world” problems will be reinforced as attendees confer with experienced law enforcement practitioners and academicians delivering the curriculum interactively. **Course delivery will involve six days (two 3-day sessions) of classroom work along with five weeks of web-based distance learning (\$1,900 value).** This is an academically challenging but truly rewarding learning endeavor for those seeking career enhancement.

APPLICATION

Nominee's Name: _____

Department: _____

Street Address: _____

Town/City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Department Strength: Sworn _____ Non-Sworn _____ Total _____

Nominee's Rank: _____ Time in Grade: _____ Total Years of Service: _____

Nominee's Retirement Eligible Date _____ Expected Date _____

Degree Earned (check all that apply):

A.S. ___ B.A./B.S. ___ M.A./M.S. ___ M.P.A. ___ Ph.D. ___ J.D. ___

List Nominee's Career History (Assignments and Ranks held including terms of service. – Use additional page if necessary.):

Attach a letter from the Chief of Police on police department stationary detailing the reasons the nominee is deserving of the scholarship. The rationale must speak directly to:

- *Evidence of the nominee's leadership potential;*
- *Evidence of nominee's self-initiated professional development;*
- *Evidence of the nominee's contributions to advancing the mission of the police department specifically or the profession generally;*
- *Evidence of commitment to community service beyond the police department;*
- *Any professional and/or community recognition of the nominee;*
- *Evidence of nominating agency's financial need.*

DEADLINE DATE: SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

Send complete application packet to:

Roger Williams University
Justice System Training & Research Institute
1 Old Ferry Road
Bristol, RI 02809
ATTN: Coyle Scholarship Selection Committee

or Email packet to: jstri@rwu.edu