

**Police Officer**  
Legislative Branch  
United States Capitol Police

The United States Capitol Police (USCP) is a CALEA nationally-accredited, federal law enforcement agency. The USCP safeguards the U.S. Congress, the legislative process, Members of Congress, employees, visitors, and facilities from crime, disruption, or terrorism. The USCP protects and secures Congress so it can fulfill its constitutional and legislative responsibilities in a safe, secure, and open environment.

We protect the legislative process, the symbol of our democracy, the U.S. Capitol, the people who carry out the legislative process, and the millions of visitors who travel here to see democracy in action. Every American who visits the Capitol-as well as visitors from around the world-become part of our protected community. They see the USCP first-hand as the best of America's spirit and diversity.

As a Department, we are a microcosm of America, representing many races, colors, religions, national origins, political affiliations, sexual orientations, and ages. Our workforce is comprised of employees from nearly all 50 states and the U.S. territories. We embrace and celebrate a diverse workforce, believing that inclusiveness makes our workplace stronger. The USCP respects each individual as a person and as a professional.

The USCP acts on the world stage every day as a model in security, urban crime prevention, dignitary protection, specialty response capability, and homeland security. We are often the first face that visitors and employees encounter, and we leave a lasting impression that reflects the Legislative Branch and its role in America's democracy.

### **Duties**

A **United States Capitol Police Officer LP-0083** performs a full range of police duties and responsibilities:

- Enforces Federal and District of Columbia laws and regulations, and enforces USCP rules and regulations relating to law enforcement.
- Physically protects the U.S. Capitol complex (buildings and grounds), Members of Congress, visitors, and staff from threats of crime and disruption; preserves law and order; and serves as a deterrent to crime and other violations of laws, rules, and regulations.
- Takes charge of accidents and crime scenes, restricting access to crime scenes; observes, stops, and questions suspicious persons.
- Prepares reports and testifies in court.
- Performs protective services, safeguards Federally-owned buildings and property, and protects government equipment and property.
- Upon successfully completing training and a probationary period, time-in-grade requirements and all experience requirements, future competitive promotions are available to advance to other duties-a higher rank or an officer assignment within a specialized area. USCP specialized areas include, e.g., Patrol Mobile Response Division, Canine Explosives Detection Team,

Containment Emergency Response Team, Dignitary Protection Division, Intelligence Section, Criminal Investigations Section, Threat Assessment Section, and Hazardous Incident Response Division.

**Key Requirements**

- Must be a United States citizen.
- Must meet position age requirements.
- Must possess and maintain a valid U.S. driver's license.
- Must show evidence of responsible driving in the last three years.
- Male applicants must be registered for Selective Service.
- Travel for hiring assessments and training is at applicant's expense.
- Must successfully complete a full field background investigation.
- Polygraph, medical assessment, criminal, credit, and tax check required.
- Must successfully complete all required training.
- Must successfully complete a probationary period.

To view the full job description and to apply, please go to: <https://www.usajobs.gov/Search/?k=uscp>