

Largest Class

The largest Public Safety Recruit class in the history of the Department of Public Safety Academy began training last week at Sitka after being given a short speech of welcome by Deputy Commissioner J. P. Wellington.

Thirty-five men will go through the 21st training session. The course was extended from ten weeks to twelve weeks during the 20th session which graduated 22 men in June, 1972. Graduation this year will be on April 13th.

Instruction at the school is on a college level with 17 credits recognized as a college equivalency.

The recruits will receive over 520 hours of police, and Fish and Wildlife Protection training from eight resident instructors.

Fifteen visiting lecturers including such eminent men in their fields as Dr. William Brady, pathologist in post mortem investigations from Portland, Oregon and Dr. George Ishii of the Seattle Crime Lab, will round out the program of instruction.