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Durham Police Captain Graduates from FBI National Academy

Durham Police Captain Morris Ray Taylor graduated recently from the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va. Taylor, who joined the Durham Police Department in 1985, is in charge of the Special Operations Division.

Approximately 250 officers from 50 states, the District of Columbia, 26 international countries, four military organizations and four federal civilian organizations attended the 235th National Academy, which is an 11-week program focusing on advanced investigative, fitness and management training. Taylor took college-level classes in Statement Analysis, Investigative Interviewing, Evidentiary Photography, Effective Writing, Legal Issues for Command-Level Officers and Fitness for Law Enforcement.



“The classes were really good and the instructors were excellent. I enjoyed the interaction with people from different parts of the country and the world,” Taylor said.

“This program provided me with advantages professionally and personally. I was able to do a lot of networking and the PT (physical training) classes gave me ideas about how to keep healthier as I get older,” he added.

Durham Police Chief Jose L. Lopez Sr., Deputy Chief B.J. Council, Assistant Chiefs Lee Russ, Steve Mihaich and Jim Bjurstrom and Capt. Ed Sarvis are also graduates of the FBI National Academy.